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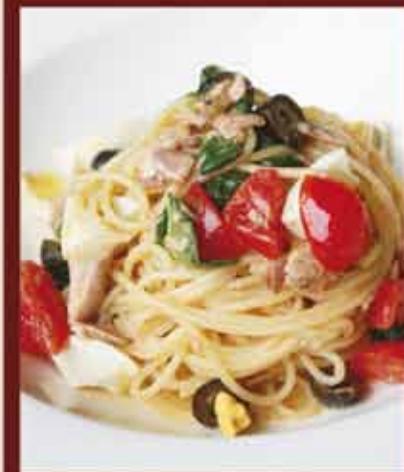
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Dinner: 17:30-22:00 (L.O.21:15)



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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR:

All,

Last month I had quite a few people ask me about the letter, about my past, and about the green grass of Xi'an. Of the folks that talked and wrote me some were inquisitive, some were unsure, a few were hostile, and a few were wistful. It's always interesting listening to various reactions to thoughts and words that are very personal and intimate as it has to deal with who I am. For those of you that commented thank you, even if you didn't quite understand what I was talking about, or didn't like the way I said it, your comments fulfilled the idea that "man's greatness lies in the greatness of thought". So no matter what your reaction was the very fact that my thoughts were read and it elicited a reaction of vary degrees demonstrates the caliber of people we have living and working amongst us.

The only reaction that I fear from any of my writing is that of misrepresentation, I don't write to give others a false opinion of who I am. I don't write to portray a personage a character or an ideal. When sitting down to write - especially when writing the Letter from the Editor I am usually struck by the blank page in front of me, by the possibilities that lay just underneath the whiteness and the direction that my words will take.

I am no wordsmith, sentences don't flow from my fingertips and the red and green squiggly lines under bad grammar and misspelled words are some of my most frequent companions. What I do hunt and peck out may not be Wordsworth but I try to make it as genuine and original as possible.

This month the team faced a few different challenges but the largest was the challenge of coming face to face with the marketed and shiny ideal of an institution and getting a rare glimpse behind the gloss and polish to see the real face, and it left us all feeling less, feeling a bit cheated, and mystified.

All of us, regardless of where we are from have set (and usually idealistic) views of certain aspects of the world and being confronted with the antithesis of those views can leave you troubled and uneasy. These things happen every now and then; the funny actor that is videoed in an angry rage, the farm fresh produce that is found to not be from a farm and not fresh at all. When these things do occur it makes us all step back and take stock of the world as a whole - to question our own reality.

So this month the team as a whole had this startling experience and I've noticed while sitting in the office that since it's happened all of us have laughed a little less, day dreamed a little more, and sat a little quieter. It's nothing permanent and of course will eventually be gotten over but the fact that right now we are going through it makes it all that more prevalent in my mind.

Having the built up façade drop away is akin to growing up, think of all the unrealistic views we had in childhood views of our parents, teachers, friends, our first love, semester tests, and the like. In fact in thinking about all this it really seems that childhood is all about the loss of ideals and though it's nothing at dramatic as that this month I watched the team lose a little bit of the ideal world view they held last month at this time.

Sincerely,
Editor-in-Chief

Pub Quiz

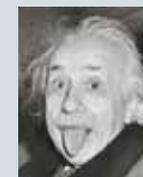
Last month was a hot one but that didn't stop you guys from heading out to the cool Belgian Bar for some hot trivia by the ever vivacious Trivia Master Phil (TMP to those in the know). This month **Sweet Caroline** just scraped out a winning by getting 16 out of 25 correct and drinking down the icy three liters of blond enlightenment. July seems to be keeps the heat so take a break from the air conditioning and head out to see if you can take the lead and win the day.

Date: July 17th

Time: 9:30pm

Place: The Belgian Bar
南门顺城南路中段69号
#69 shun cheng nan lu

Put your thinking caps on and come on down for some great food and tricky trivia!



Got something to say?
Drop us a line at

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Also, feel free to visit our
Facebook or webpage.

Your comments and letters are welcome.



JULY 5-31

Taste of Thai

Theme: Savour the 'Taste of Thai' here with us with our Guest Chef Somwong from The Westin Bund Shanghai with house specialties like Thai mango salad, green curry chicken, Thai seafood tomyam soup and red ruby with coconut milk.



Time: 6:00pm-9:30pm

Price: 218/pp

Location:

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JULY 11

Concert

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Time: 8:30pm-10:30pm

Location: Aperture Club

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Tickets: 50-60 RMB



JULY 12

Tiger Battle of the Bands
2013 Xi'an City Final
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Time: 8:30pm

Location: Qin Han Tang International & Cultural BM Forum(West of Wild Goose Pagoda South Square)

Website: www.tiger-beer.com.cn

TEL: 181-6190-0712

JULY 18

Concert

美国老牌DreamPop乐队
PacificUV巡演西安站

Time: 8:30pm-11:30pm

Location: Aperture Club

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JULY 31

Concert

魔术般的黑光剧
《飞吧，小单车》

Time: 7:30pm

Location: Xi'an Concert Hall
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JULY 10

Wednesday

King of the Table Pool Tourney

Time: 8:00pm **Location:** Demon Bar
From now on King of the Table will be the second Wednesday of every month.



JULY 12

Friday

Photography Club

Time: 2:00pm

Location: Wolong Temple

Meet just inside Wenchang Gate on the north west corner.



JUNE 13, 27

Saturday

Toastmasters

Date: July 13 **Time:** 2:30pm

Location: SIT on Shida



Date: July 27 **Time:** 2:30pm

Location: In Sofitel Habana Bar (索菲特) 东大街319号

Get all the information at: www.xatmc.org

JULY 17

Wednesday

Belgian Bar and Xianease Monthly Pub Quiz

Beer, and Trivia
What more could you ask for?

Time: 9:30pm

Location: Belgian Bar



JULY 21

Sunday

Xi'an Book Club Readers Meeting

Time: 2:00pm - 5:00pm

Location:

Venue: Echo Park Book Bar (Hui Yin Gong Yuan), No.15th, Defu alley, South Gate - 南门里, 德福巷15号院内, 回音公园书吧(厢子庙北侧, 粉巷南侧, 时光咖啡旁边院内)

Book: Factory Girls by Leslie T. Chang

Movie: The Next Three Days directed by Paul Haggis

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Frisbee Team

Time: 3:00pm - 7:00pm (every Sunday)

Location: Xi'an Jiao Tong University of Finance and Economics (西安交通大学财经学院), just next to the 纬二街(wei er jie) bus stop.

After the match we have dinner and sometimes out to KTV

For more information contact: 张超 (Chao), at 15249260715 or 胡纪峰 (Feng) at 15353552643

If you're shy you could also email me at wuyikai123@qq.com

XIANEASE AND SIT MOVIE NIGHT

June: Killing Them Softly (2012) **Date:** July 15th **Movie Start:** 7:30pm

In memory of James Gandolfini's sudden and tragic death his brief appearance in Killing Them Softly illustrates the depth of his skills as an actor. Gandolfini mixes a potent and unforgettable cocktail of gravitas, sadness, regret and menace.

Place: Sculpting in Time Café Shi da Road

No 41, ShiDa Rd, YanTa District - 西安师大店, 西安市雁塔区师大路41号2楼



Restaurant Reviews

WESTIN 西安威斯汀大酒店

Article By *Jimmy Unitas and Giselle Akal*



The Westin Hotel on the West end of Dayanta has variety of classy restaurants to choose from should you choose to go all out and treat yourself, or someone very special, to an extravagant evening out. There's their Daily Treats Cafe, their Five Senses Chinese restaurant, their Mai Asian fusion restaurant, their Lobby Lounge and last but not least their Seasonal Tastes Western restaurant. Jimmy and I were invited to sample the buffet at Seasonal Tastes, and we were not disappointed. The seating inside Seasonal Tastes is laid out in different styles in different sections. Upon first entering the restaurant, you are welcomed into an airy open floor plan with well-lit tables. As you make your way into the belly of the beast so to speak, there are semi-private booths separated by panes of transparent glass and long cafeteria-style tables for ten. And finally, at the end furthest from the door there are tables under cafe-lighting placed along a mural of ancient Asian trade routes on the far wall.

Dining at Seasonal Tastes is quite fun because you get to graze from buffet bar to buffet bar as you indulge in all of the scrumptious offerings that the highly-skilled kitchen staff have to offer. My first trip was to the Smoked Meats & Cheese bar where I scooped up Smoked Salmon, Ham, Bologna, Brie, Camembert and Provolone, Sun-Dried Tomatoes and Olives. Then it was over to the Bread Bar where I grabbed a few slices of French Bread, -Whole Grain, White-, and a Whole Wheat Roll. There were many more breads and rolls available but the kindly pastry chef informed me that these were suited to much sweeter tastes, and I was grateful for the heads-up, I'm not a fan of sweet bread. A voyage to the land of hot foods came next as we visited the grilling station and ordered up some Beef Ribs and Lamb Chops with a side of Chicken Soup.

And last but not least, the Dessert Bar where wonderful things like Haagen-Daaz Ice Cream and Chocolate Mousse come from.

PROS: The juices and sorbets at Seasonal Tastes are by far the best icy things available. Whereas the Lambchops are the most delectable things coming of the grill.

CONS: The Taco Shell boxes are just for decoration! I was prepared to order up some grilled steak and vegetables to make my own tacos when our host Christina Li gave us the bad news.

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Tel /电话: 029-6568 6568

Hours /时间: 12:00am - 2:30pm
5:30pm - 10:00pm



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SANTORINI 圣托里尼餐厅

Article By *Lee Bunting*



Shopping to me is always a hassle so when I stumbled upon Santorini, situated on the outside of wanda plaza near to the Starbucks, I was aghast! As I walked in it was like being taken back to Greece as the whole place is decked out just like a greek tavern, amazing. Santorini has been open since March and is the brain child of a Chinese couple that have been to Greece on holiday a couple of times and loved the place so much that they decided to bring a little bit of it back here to Xian. It is open from 1030am until 10pm, Monday to Sunday. Apart from the Greek look, the place has a relaxed vibe and is adorned with the owners own photos of their past visits to Greece. The kitchen produces Italia/Greek style cuisine and you can see the chefs going through all of the cooking processes.

As I entered I was greeted by Wu, who is a student in Austin, Texas and is over here for the school holidays. He took



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me through the menu, which was extensive, and I made my choices. A little translation for you where it says "required guarantee" it actually means "order in advance" as the kitchen cooks everything from fresh. The menu has many different choices that wouldn't go a miss in any mediterranean eatery. It has Oyster all the way from France, ham all the way from Serranno (which has aged from 36 to 48 months) and delicious ouzo to give it that Greek feel. I plumped for the Greek salad which was delicious but a little too heavy on the rosemary. As I was hungry I ordered 2 (yes 2) mains, the Greek style chicken in pita was a delight and worth every penny and the steak was delicious, they told me that they are going to start ordering imported steak but my steak was sufficient, I imagine the price is going to go up when they do, so get in quick!

All in all Santorini is a lovely little establishment which would be great for a date or grabbing a quick bite. Sadly there were no plates smashed while I ate my dinner, is that a good or a bad thing?

PROS: Great relaxed feeling to the place, decor, different styles of mediterranean food.

CONS: It is a little hidden, in between the Wanda plaza mall.

Average Price per person /人均消费: 60 RMB

Address /地址:

1F, wanda square, #111, jie fang road, xin cheng district.
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希腊一个浪漫的圣地,爱琴海人们憧憬的地方,圣托里尼一颗璀璨的明珠,柏拉图笔下的自由之地。这里有世界上最漂亮的落日,最壮阔的海景,是蓝白相间的色彩天堂,是艺术的聚合点。但湛蓝美丽的海景,如梦如幻的传说,悠久绵长的文化,都不是希腊的全部。领略一个地方的风情,除了欣赏她的风景之外,更重要的是体会她的味道。圣托里尼是一个独特的岛屿,这里的食物也因她的独特而独一无二。翻看这里的食谱,亦如此处的风景,动人.多姿.....

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美味的烤鸡肉,那外酥里嫩的口感带着淡淡的迷迭香和牛至叶的气息,搭上香脆的薯角,还有独特的黑橄榄点缀其中,这如此梦幻的搭配形成了希腊一道别致的风味。

在希腊怎么少的了海鲜,鲜嫩细滑的鲷鱼和来自意大利的去皮番茄完美的搭配,突显了鲷鱼的细腻及浓郁的番茄香,让人唇齿留香,回味无穷。

当深海的龙虾邂逅了朴实的意面,这平民与贵族的结合,打破了传统,增添了不一样的享受,低调而不失品味!如此美味映着这纯蓝与纯白的格调,喝上一杯传统的希腊咖啡,让那淡淡的橙香混着咖啡的气息,充实着整个味蕾,此刻,放松身心,你可以是诗人,可以是画家,在如此意境下畅想所思.....

一切美好皆在这里,热情的地中海,唯美的圣托里尼期待你的造访!



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Bar Reviews

GUEVERRA BAR 节奏格瓦拉

Articles By *Tim King*



Comfortable isn't a word people usually associate with Argentine revolutionary Che Guevara, but it's the perfect word to describe the downtown bar that bears his name. I was expecting it to be just another in a long line of disappointing local bars I've patronized, but a Bar Street tourist trap this is not.

I was pleasantly surprised by the open, American-style barroom and the relaxed atmosphere. The music alternates between local musicians and an iTunes playlist, but never hits the oppressively loud levels of most Xi'an bars, allowing you to actually speak to the people you came with. The drink menu is fairly diverse, offering a nice selection of beers, liquors, and cocktails. The prices per drink are, on average, about 10RMB more expensive than other places around the city, and though I was able to get the bartender to pour me a glass of Johnnie Walker Black (40RMB/shot), it seems that the vast majority of their spirits are only available by the bottle. Unless your idea of "stopping for a quick drink" is throwing down on a several hundred yuan bottle of booze, the nice variety of their menu becomes startlingly limited, especially since ordering a cocktail here and getting a good one is a little like playing Russian Roulette with the drink list. With that in mind, Guevara would be best experienced with a group of friends, as your collective buying power will easily give you full access to their menu. Their main barroom will be enough to accommodate most groups, but if you're having a party, there are some larger VIP booths in the back.

It's not perfect but it nails many of the little atmospheric details that so many Xianese bars neglect, making it a great hideaway from the overblown nonsense of the usual spots.

PRO: Attentive staff, drink variety, the King of Fighters arcade cabinet in the entranceway, and I can't overstate how impressed I am that a bar manager in this city realizes that you can have a nice bar without playing Bruno Mars songs at ear-bleeding volumes.

CON: Can't order most liquors by the glass; the deeply confused Bailey's shot I received when I ordered a mojito.

人们通常不会把舒适这个词与阿根廷革命家切·格瓦拉联系在一起,但在市中心的这个叫做格瓦拉的酒吧却完美的诠释了这个词。它绝不是长长酒吧街中令人失望的陷阱。

酒吧拥有美国风格的酒吧间和轻松的气氛。音乐则是本地音乐和iTunes交替播放,不像其他酒吧那样响亮有压迫感的音乐,可以让你和朋友轻松的交谈。饮料菜单相当多样化,啤酒,烈酒和鸡尾酒,应有尽有。饮料的价格平均在10元,我点了一杯尊尼获加黑(40元/杯)。这里的鸡尾酒都有排序,像玩俄罗斯转盘酒一样。这样和一大帮朋友来玩的话是个很不错的选择。这里也有可供开派对用的VIP房间。

这里并不完美,但是对于小细节方面的专注使这儿拥有了世外桃源般的特殊气质。

优点: 细心的工作人员,各种饮料,入口处的国王格斗街机。还有我不得不说,在这个城市里,有这样一个酒吧经理意识到不玩劲爆歌曲也能有一个不错的酒吧。

缺点: 有的酒水不能按杯点。

Average Price Per Drink /人均消费: 40-50 RMB

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#6, nan guang ji jie, bei lin qu. (碑林区南广济街6号)

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EM7 小馆

Article By Johnson Jiang



This is not the first time to experience the HOT Xi'an summer, but I still want to say: This past month has been so HOT!!! Though the temperature is high, there are still a bunch of things available, like swimming, biking to the mountains, motorbike trips during the weekends and my favorite drinking beer.

This month I'm introducing a café and bar called EM7, which has a lot of connections with music. I still remember the first time I listened to foreign music, it was in 2002 and I bought my first tape, Queen's News of the World. To this day that album, to me is definitive Rock 'N' Roll—it's also the same year that EM7 opened its doors.

For folks living in Xi'an who love rock and pop music EM7 has been a center piece for over a decade. No matter which singer you like, you'll find his/her CD, their collection is amazing. At the beginning of 2013, due to government construction plans, EM7 had to say goodbye to its old spot and move to a new place, a few months ago they threw open the doors on the new place and let the good times roll.

The new place is much bigger than before, and they've added a bar and café giving people a place to hang out, listen and talk about music. Don't worry! they still sell a ton of CDs but now you can also grab a coffee, juice or the all-important beer as well.

The decoration outside is as simple as its name, just a green gate with a metal EM7 sign. Inside the wooden chairs and tables match the rustic wood floor which sets up a nice relaxing atmosphere. During summer, sitting under the umbrellas outside and drinking a bottle of beer, all the while listening to new and old bands from around the world feels great.

The beer choice here, like the decoration is very simple, they have a couple domestic and a few imported beer brands, but for me that doesn't matter, when I come here it's all about music and friends.

PRO: Comfortable surroundings and great music.

CON: Alcohol choice could be larger.

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这不是我第一次过西安的夏天，但我还是想说：热死了！！

尽管气温很高，但夏天还是有很多有趣的事情值得去做，比如游泳、骑自行车进山、周末摩托周边游，当然还有畅饮冰爽的啤酒。

这个月我打算介绍一家咖啡吧叫EM7，这家店和音乐有着千丝万缕的关系。我依然记得第一次听国外摇滚乐的磁带是在2002年，皇后乐队的《世界新闻》。在那个时候，要想在兰州找到这些磁带比从警察身上偷钱还难，就是从那时开始，我爱上了摇滚。也就是那年2002，EM7在西安开业了。

对于西安那些热爱摇滚及流行音乐的人们来说，EM7绝对是他们过去11年间非常熟悉的一个名字。这里有海量的CD储藏，几乎涵盖了你所听过的所有歌手。但在2013年伊始，由于政府拆迁计划，EM7不得不和那个待了10年的地方说再见，接着搬来了下马陵。

搬到这里以后，地方比原来大了许多，所以老板索性就把它做成了一个给人们提供喝酒、聊音乐的场所。同时还有那上千张的CD，加上啤酒、咖啡、果汁和音乐，成了一个完美的组合。

门头的装饰和它的名字一样简单，一个绿色的门和一个铁锈色的牌子写着“EM7”。当步入店里时，那些木桌、木椅和踏在木地板上的声音会让人非常的惬意。在夏天的时候，坐在店外的遮阳伞下喝着啤酒、聊着天，感觉肯定很不错。

这里的啤酒选择相对较少，除了几款熟知的国产酒之外就是一些比利时的进口啤酒，但我觉得这并不重要，因为这里的主题永远都是音乐和朋友。

优点: 舒适的环境和音乐。

缺点: 酒水的选择相对较少。

我的推荐: 比利时进口啤酒。



Average Price Per Drink /人均消费: 30 RMB

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Xia ma Ling No.7 (Between Wenchang men and Heping men)
(下马陵7号(文昌门与和平门之间))

Tel /电话: 029- 8751 4383

Hours /时间: 2:00pm - 0:00am

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Ingredients 原料:

- Aubergines (茄子) 700g
- Green Bell Peppers (Roasted) 500g
(绿色甜椒 (烤))
- Feta Cheese (干酪) 125g
- Onion (chopped) 5g
(洋葱 (切碎))
- Garlic (chopped) 10g
(大蒜 (切碎))
- Rosemary (chopped) 10g
(迷迭香 (切碎))
- Olive Oil (橄榄油) 3 tbsp
- Yoghurt (酸奶) 500g
- Paprika Powder (辣椒粉) 50g
- Red and Yellow Bell Peppers 150g
(红色和黄色甜椒)



Method of Preparation 做法:

1. Cut the Aubergines in length slices about 1.2 cm thick and sprinkle with salt and let rest for 30 minutes.
把茄子切成厚1.2厘米长片状，撒上盐腌制30分钟。
2. Roast the green bell pepper in the oven about 250°C until the skin becomes black and easy to peel, cool it down and cut half into small cubes.
250度烤绿色甜椒直到稍变黑，皮变软，待冷却后把一半切成小块。

用叉子捣碎干酪，加入切好的大蒜和甜椒，加胡椒粉调味。

3. Mash the feta cheese with a fork and add the chopped garlic and add the cubed bell pepper and season.
4. Chop the rosemary roughly and mix with oil, add to the food processor with the bell pepper and blend all together, season with salt and pepper.
把迷迭香捣碎加入橄榄油，再加入甜椒，全部混合搅拌，加入盐和胡椒粉。

用纸巾擦干茄子，把之前做好的铺在茄子上，把茄子卷起来，拿牙签固定，刷上橄榄油，烤至每个面焦黄。

5. Dry the Aubergine with a tissue and spread the mixture on the surface and roll the Aubergine and secure with toothpick(remove before serving) drizzle with olive oil, and grill the rolls on each side.
6. Place in a baking tray and finish in the oven at 180C until hot in the center.
托盘放入烤箱180度，直到烤至全熟。

Easy Yoghurt-Bell Pepper Dip 酸奶甜椒蘸酱

1. Combine yoghurt with paprika powder in a bowl and season with salt and pepper.
把酸奶和辣椒粉放入碗中搅拌，加入盐和胡椒粉调味。
2. Cut the red and yellow bell peppers into small cubes and add to the yoghurt.
把红黄甜椒切成小块加入酸奶中。切成小块。

LAMB MOUSSAKA 羊肉茄合

SERVES 4
四人份

Method of Preparation 做法:

1. Halve the amount of butter and olive oil and heat up in a heavy pan. After a while fry the minced lamb.
用一半的黄油加橄榄油倒入锅中加热，放入切好的羊肉炒熟。

火放小，加入洋葱，大蒜，芹菜，薄荷叶。

2. Reduce the heat and add the chopped onion, garlic, parsley and mint leaves.
3. Mix well, add now the tomato and tomato puree and pour the broth, mix well and simmer for about 30 minutes. Season the meat with salt and pepper.
再加入番茄和番茄浓汤，倒入肉汤，炖30分钟，用盐和胡椒把肉调味。

同时把茄子切成0.5厘米厚的片，用黄油和橄榄油炸熟，用吸油纸吸去多余的油。

4. Meanwhile cut the eggplant in 0.5 cm thick slices and fry them in olive oil and butter and dry on paper to remove excess oil.
5. Slice the potato in very thin slices and crumble the feta cheese. The meat should be now tender with not much liquid.
把土豆切成薄片，把羊乳酪弄碎，现在肉应该软一些了。

在烤盘中先放一层土豆片，再放一层肉，再放一层茄子最后放一层羊乳酪。

6. In a baking tray fill in first potatoes then a layer of meat, a layer of eggplants then a layer feta cheese.
7. Whip the heavy cream and add the grated cheese to the whipped cream.
搅打鲜奶油，加入磨碎的干酪。后放一层羊乳酪。

Radi is from Lucerne Switzerland and has lived in Xi'an for almost two years working as a Sous Chef at an international five star hotel. If you have any question or comments you can contact him at radi@xianease.com

Ingredients 原料:

- Lamb (minced) (羊肉 (切碎)) 400g
- Onion (chopped) (洋葱 (切碎)) 200g
- Garlic (chopped) (大蒜 (切碎)) 25g
- Parsley (chopped) (芹菜 (切碎)) 15g
- Mint Leaves (chopped) 5g
(薄荷叶 (切碎))
- Tomatoes (chunked) 400g
(西红柿 (切大块))
- Tomato Puree (番茄浓汤) 25g
- Aubergine (茄子) 250g
- Potato (sliced) (土豆 (切片)) 300g
- Feta Cheese (羊乳酪) 150g
- Heavy Cream (浓奶油)2L
- Cheese (grated) (干酪) 75g
- Butter (黄油) 50g
- Olive oil (橄榄油) 3 tbsp
- Vegetable broth (蔬菜肉汤)5L
- Nutmeg pinch (肉豆蔻)
- Salt and pepper (盐和胡椒粉)

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- Swimmin Pools

交大游泳馆

JIAODA SWIMMING POOL

Hours: 1:00 pm – 9:00 pm Cost: RMB 40.00

Location/地址:

Southeast gate of Jiao Tong University, Xing Qing road

(碑林区兴庆路南段 (近交大东南门))

It's an ok size it's clean and also relatively free of people. This indoor pool is more geared towards lap swimming than lounging. They usually want folks to wear swim caps but with a little talking that can usually be forgotten. It's a no frills options that will get you wet and cooled down but not much else.



June was one of the hottest on record and for a city about 2000 years old that is a REALLY long record. With the arrival of July Dashu (Great Heat) will start continue right through almost ALL of August which is a LONG time. In an attempt to make those sticking around the city for the summer feel a bit better we have put together a list of the five best swimming pools around the city to cool you down through Dashu. This is not a list of ALL the pools in Xi'an only the ones that seem the cleanest with the best prices so grab your swim suit venture fourth and stay cool everyone (ha! See what we did there?).

师大游泳馆

SHIDA SWIMMING POOL

Hours: 1:00 pm - 8:30 pm Cost: RMB 15.00

Location/地址:

South East corner of Shaanxi Normal University (雁塔区长安南路陕师大院内)

It's a thermal outdoor pool (read: heated by the sunlight) that is half lap swim and half messing around - though diving is strictly forbidden (they will yell at you). You don't have to wear swim caps or the tight suits here. The locker rooms aren't the greatest but a shady outdoor pool with deck chairs...not bad for RMB 15.00 (10 if you have a student card - or a card that LOOKS like a student card)



陕西游泳中心

SHAANXI SWIMMING CENTER

Hours: 1:00 pm - 9:30 pm Cost: RMB 40.00

Location/地址:

West Zhang Ba Road (雁塔区丈八东路西段)

Probably the largest complex on the list, this world class complex has 50 meter lanes, swimming classes, and open swim areas truly make this a "Swimming Center" and not just a pool. Here you will need to wear a swim cap but it seems that the budgie smugglers are optional depending on who's working that day.



鸿业大酒店游泳馆

HONG YE HOTEL SWIMMING POOL

Hours: 1:00 pm - 9:30 pm

Cost: RMB 30.00

Location/地址: 137 Huang Guang Bei Road (碑林区含光北路137号)

There are lots of hotels with pools but this one is one of the best in the city, with the glass ceiling and huge pool area, add that to the fact that it's only 30 yuan and BAM! You have a great deal, the pool is mostly open swim but there are a few bobbing lappers out there so watch out!



曲江游泳馆

QU JIANG SWIMMING POOL

Hours: 1:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Cost: RMB 50.00

Location/地址:

Qu jiang hotel, 1 Yanta nan lu, Qujiang (雁塔区雁塔南路南段1号曲江宾馆内)

Located just south of the Big Goose Pagoda the hotel grounds are set up as a resort of sorts and isn't a bad place to just walk around. Their indoor pool and lounge area both sport lots of green plants and helpful staff. It's not the cheapest place for a dip but it might just be the classiest and if it's one thing Xianease is all about it is class (we wear monocles to work).



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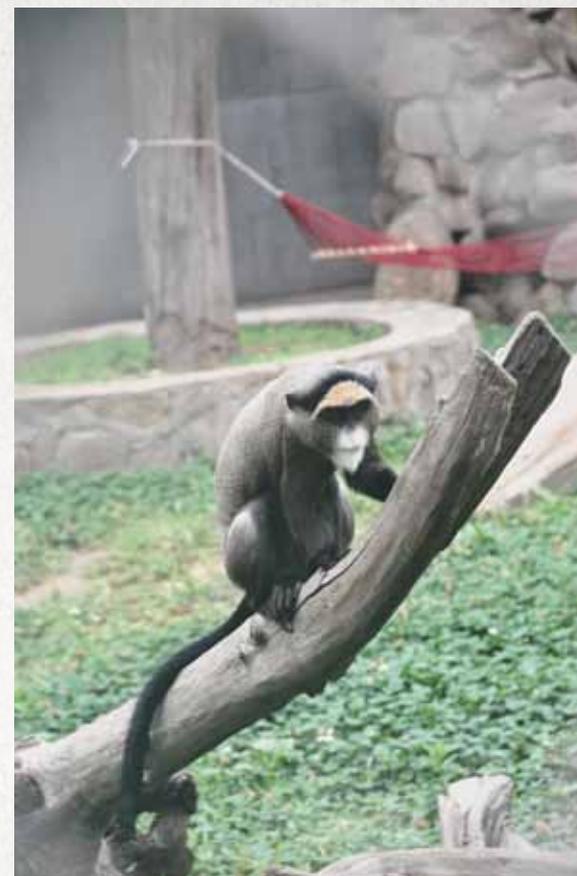
- A QUIET PLACE FOR A QUICK TRIP OUT OF THE CITY

Article by *XIANEASE*



Often times the folks living in Xi'an overlook the obvious points of interest while those that are traveling here only go to the really famous ones leaving a few places rather devoid of many visitors since both groups seem to overlook them. The Qinling Wildlife Zoo is just such a place, that's not to say that it's empty, after all this is China, but it is a place that if you ask 10 people if they've been to the zoo, at least 8 of them would tell you they hadn't...probably.

Ranked 45th on Trip Advisor of must see places in Xi'an this 330 acre preserve is the only one of its kind in Northwest China. Located just North of the Qinling mountains east of the G210 (From the city it would be really really really South Taibai road) it is home to over 300 species of animals including African Lions, White Tigers, and Sun Bears (oh my). As well as a gaggle of other species including hippos, pandas (supposedly but we didn't see any), monkeys, and lots of others.



THE PARK IS BROKEN INTO TWO PARTS:

The first one is the walking section where it's more of a traditional zoo with cages and enclosures housing the smaller species as well as performance arenas where there are quite a few soviet-esq trained animal exhibits. They have trained seals, bears, parrots, monkeys, and a few others and all the shows are included in the ticket price...for better or worse. It's about 32 acres in size so be ready for quite a stroll, alternatively you can get the fancy road train that will let you hop-on/hop-off, rent those little electric car things, or even take a horse and carriage so you can poke your head into all the places you find interesting and save the shoe leather. Now keep in mind that this is not Kruger National Park, nor is this the Singapore Zoo, you are still in Shaanxi province and so keep your expectations as such while you're moseying around the park and you won't be disappointed.

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The second area is the wildlife caged drive-thru. This is the highlight of the zoo, here you ride in a bus through several large enclosures that have varying degrees of wild animals. Some sections have dangerous animals and some have more placid herbivores but either way to have the roles reversed and be in the cage while the animal is "free" was an interesting experience and really made the entire trip worth it. Keep in mind that with your park entrance fee the drive in a HUGE fast bus is included - it makes NO stops and it would seem that the driver that gets through the park the quickest must make a bonus or something. For RMB 40.00 extra you can ride in a cage on the back of a truck that goes slower and will stop every now and again to take non-blurry pictures. If on the other hand, you're feeling "spendy" for RMB100.00 extra you get a glass sided VIP van with air con that will stop when you ask it PLUS it will stop at the Giraffe enclosure where for yet ANOTHER RMB 20.00 you can hand feed the Giraffes...which if you've already paid RMB 100 more you might as well go the whole hog and pay the extra RMB 20 because it's a pretty cool experience feeding them.



Apart from the animals the zoo itself is located right at the base of the mountains giving you some really scenic pictures (both with or without wild animals). As with most points of interest in and around Xi'an the zoo isn't a cheap day out but you can cut some costs here and there to make it a bit less painful on the wallet. Services and food inside the park are really expensive, so pack a lunch and be ready to walk a lot since the transport options will all raise an eyebrow or two in terms of cost. One thing that shouldn't be cut is the drive through the animal enclosures, in fact the extra RMB120 for the VIP with Giraffe feeding is actually worth it and helps justify the trouble it took you to get down to the zoo in the first place.



SHOULD YOU GET TIRED OF THE ZOO THERE ARE A FEW OTHER THINGS IN THE AREA THAT WILL ROUND OUT YOUR DAY.

CARNIVAL RIDES: The Qinling Mountains Amusement Park (西安秦岭游乐园) is the largest amusement park in Shaanxi and is located right next to the zoo - with tickets at just RMB 78.00 you can ride some of the best rides the province has to offer and maybe win a stuffed animal or two in the games section.

TICKET PRICE: RMB 78.00

PHONE: 029-8567 0266

OPENING HOURS:

10:00 am - 7:00 pm (regular)

8:30 am - 7:00 pm (holidays)

COUNTRY STYLED COOKING (NONG JIA LE - 农家乐):

Shang Wang Village (上王村) just west of the zoo is one of the most famous Country styled cooking (Nong Jia Le) areas in greater Xi'an. There are tons of places to choose from most with relaxing courtyards where you can kick your feet up after a long day walking around.

ADDRESS: 裕口上王村农家乐西一街

AVERAGE PRICE

PER PERSON: RMB 45.00

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(西安秦岭野生动物园)

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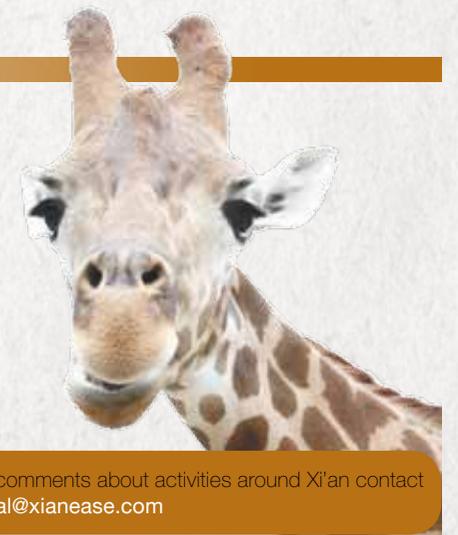
Chang'an District - Huan Shan Mountain (长安区环山路)

PHONE: 029-8567 0040

TICKET PRICE: RMB 100.00

HOW TO GET THERE:

Tour Bus 9 (游9) from the TV tower or Big Goose Pagoda goes directly to the zoo depending on where you actually get the bus the price will be about RMB 5.



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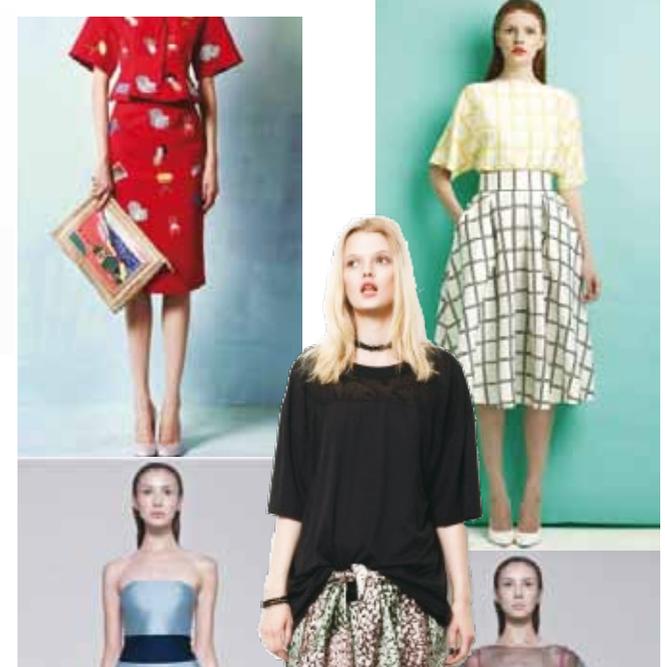
BRAND NEW CHINA

Article By *Kristen Zhou*

Is worshipping Western culture a good or bad thing? I would say like most things in this world there are two sides to the story. Almost on a daily basis we interact and experience Western culture, from afternoon scones and tea to tapas at a bar counter, we integrate Western culture almost without noticing. We log onto Instagram or Weibo to look at pictures from around the world without noticing how many western fashionistas we've been following (Ok that last one might just be me but you get the idea).

With the ever increasing diversity of online social networks and E-Commerce sights fashion is going global and is more than ever before attainable to the general public. One of the up and comers in this new online megamall is www.brandnewchina.cn. Brand New China actually started as the acronym BNC from Bohe (mint), Nuomi (Sticky Rice) and Cong (Chives) and was created by Hong Huang a famous TV host, editor, writer and all around fashionista. She started BNC and pushed it to an international scale to let more people get to know Chinese fashion designers and their brands, a bridged between local designers and international consumers.

Based on the Chinese curiosity and passion of the fashion industry, Hong Huang believes that as time goes by local designers will become more international and eventually attract more of the market share. So far BNC has cooperated with over 150 designers online with a brick and mortar shop featuring fashion pieces from around 70 designers. Each designer demonstrates their unique character either through clothing, furniture design, accessories, bags, or toys. With so many



different designers it's difficult to know where to start so let me let you on my favorite BNC brands; BABYGHOST, AWAYLEE, Chris by Christopher Bu and MS MIN are amongst my top favorites. These four brands are not only popular with younger consumer but are also popular with quite a few singers and actresses.

Recently BNC hosted an artistic fashion show in Sanlitun with hundreds of dancers wearing different Chinese designer ensembles and body paint. They walked through the shopping mall and posed on the escalators, making a remarkable spectacle. The show was directed and choreographed by the Beijing Modern Dance Company and blended modern dance, fashion and live-action sequences perfectly.

So is it wrong to worship Western culture? I'm not sure but I know that the line between theirs and ours is increasingly blurry and with online shops like BNC the fashion world is leading the way in terms of global integration of ideas, ideals, and culture.

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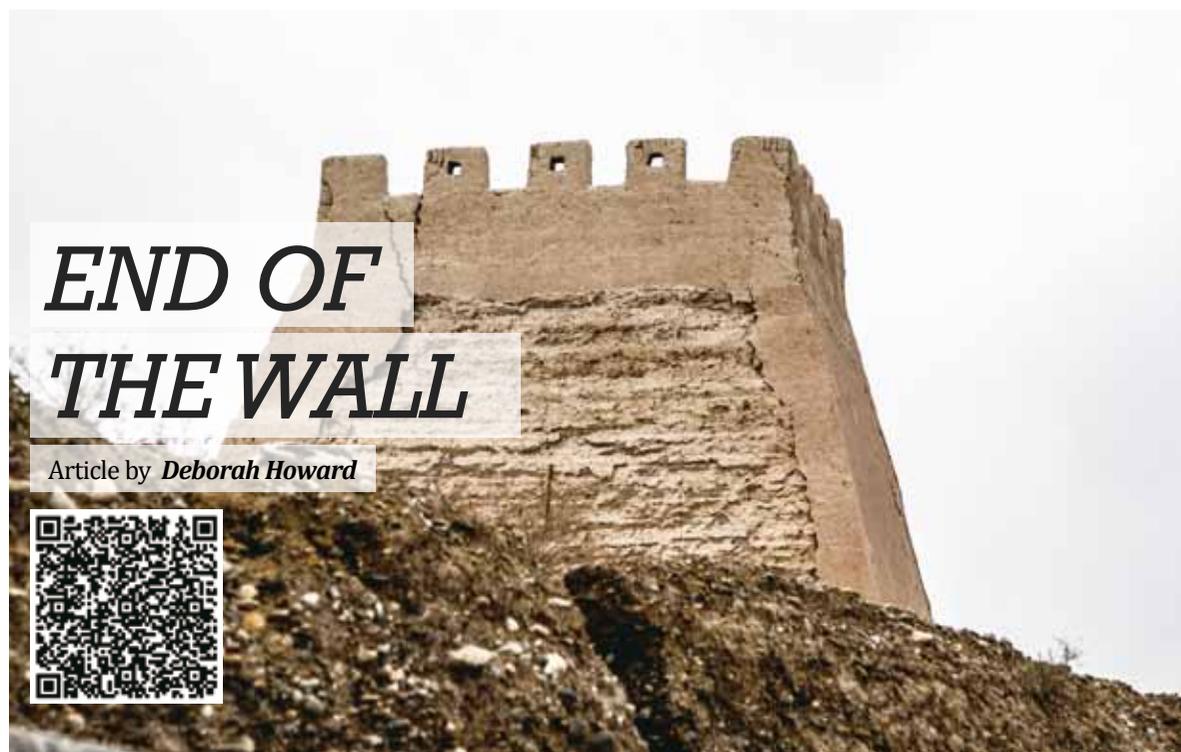
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END OF THE WALL

Article by *Deborah Howard*



Jiayuguan is definitely a frontier town. Out in the Gobi Desert in Gansu, about 15-17 hours by train from Xi'an, it may be fairly new, but it is a friendly, easy-going sort of place. Only two major high-rises mar the cityscape, and the desert and mountains stretch away in the distance.

Why would anyone stop here? Because six kilometres outside the town is the western end of the Great Wall... the end of the protective barrier that was hoped would keep the hordes from overrunning China. It is beside the Jiayu Pass – the narrowest section of the Hexi Corridor. Here the wall is basically shaped mud, about 8-10 feet high, not the fancy crenellated construction closer to Beijing. High enough to block the horses, but not so imposing. The Fort that comprises the actual end is undergoing major renovations, but the essential structure can still be seen. It is one of the most complete ancient military installations in China. Watch towers look



out to the ranges and the desert, courtyards are built so that enemies will be caught between them and allow the archers and boiling oil throwers to do their work. A few cannons pose menacingly at intervals along the outer walls of the Fort.

The renovations include upgrading the Fort buildings, repairing the Wall proper and renewing the small temple within the Fort itself. However, sensibly the outer gateway of the temple has been left in its lovely original state, faded, peeling and really evocative of the past. Still intact is the last brick placed in the Fort, with of course its own legend. According to the lore, the architect was not popular with the local military leader who commanded the Fort be built and when the commander asked the architect how many bricks it would take to build, he replied 99,999. The commander told him if there was even one brick left over, he would be killed. On the day the Fort was completed – there was just one brick remaining, the architect arranged it specially so. When the commander saw this brick, he asked the purpose, and our clever architect told him that it maintained the balance between heaven and earth, east and west... and thus saved his own life.

After wandering around the Fort, climbing the battlements and checking out the temple, what else is there to do? If you come in a tour group, the local actors will stage a Military show for you, giving some insight into ancient military tactics (or maybe just having fun!) and you can also test your archery skills by shooting at some lovely straw-stuffed manikins. Just outside the Fort, camels wait patiently for a

chance to take you for a mosey around a smidge of desert. You can buy some 'desert roses' – gypsum formations found in the desert sand.

Back in town the night markets are worth a visit – and certainly after the summer heat of the desert a cool ale or two accompanying the local BBQ is very welcome. As a one – two day stop-over, Jiayuguan is definitely worth a look around.

Jiayuguan is accessible by train, bus, car and has an International Airport (although I rapidly came to the conclusion that Xi'an, Kunming and Urumqi are probably considered to be international destinations, as they seem to be the only places on the flight board). Hotels dot the city, including hostels, so prices range from cheap to fancy. We stayed at Bestay Hotel, which had tiny but with very clean rooms and internet connection. Local mini-buses will take you to the Jiayu Pass and Fort.



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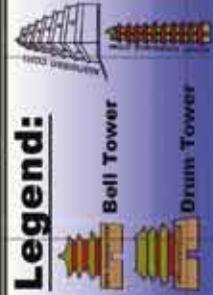
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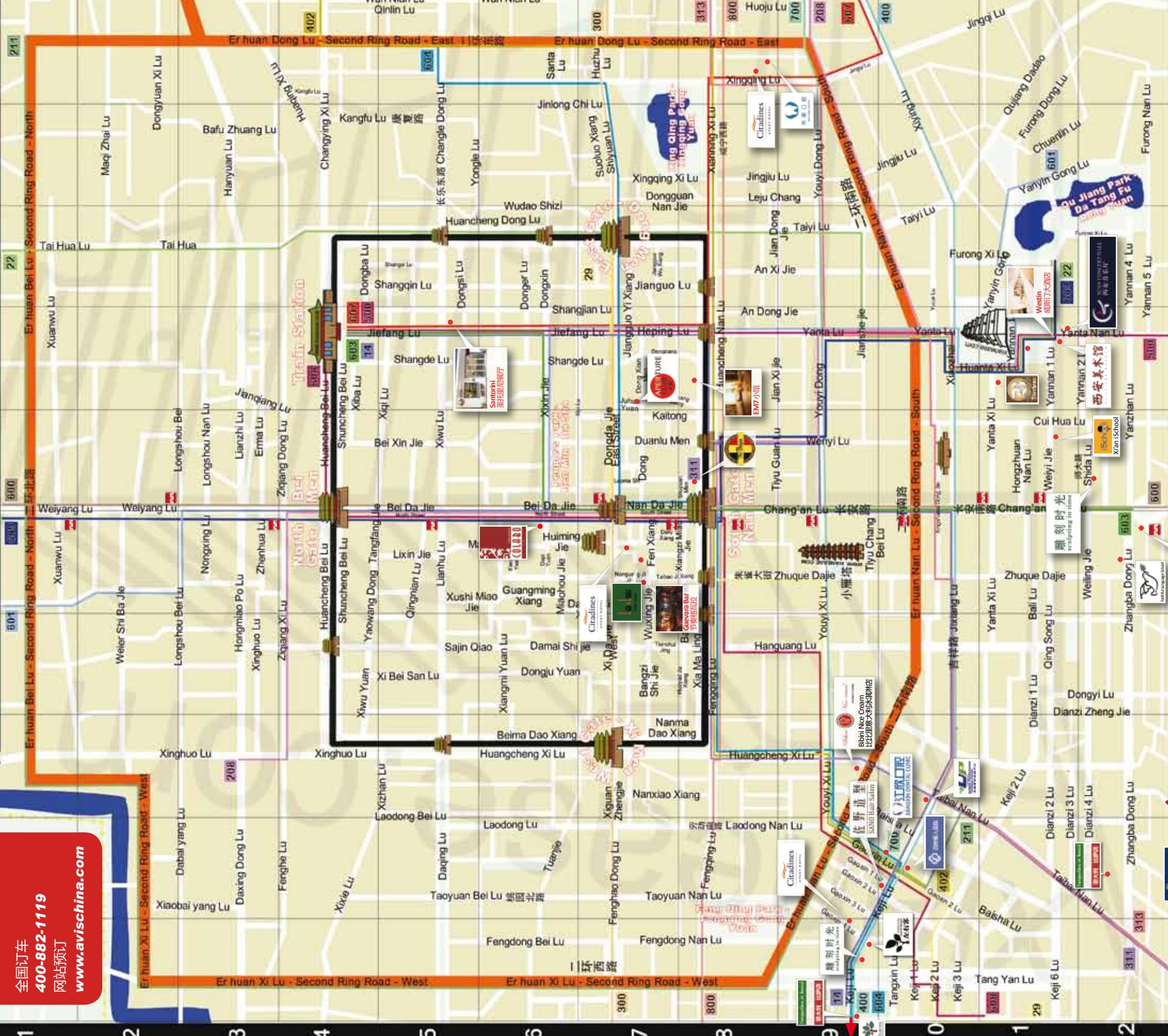
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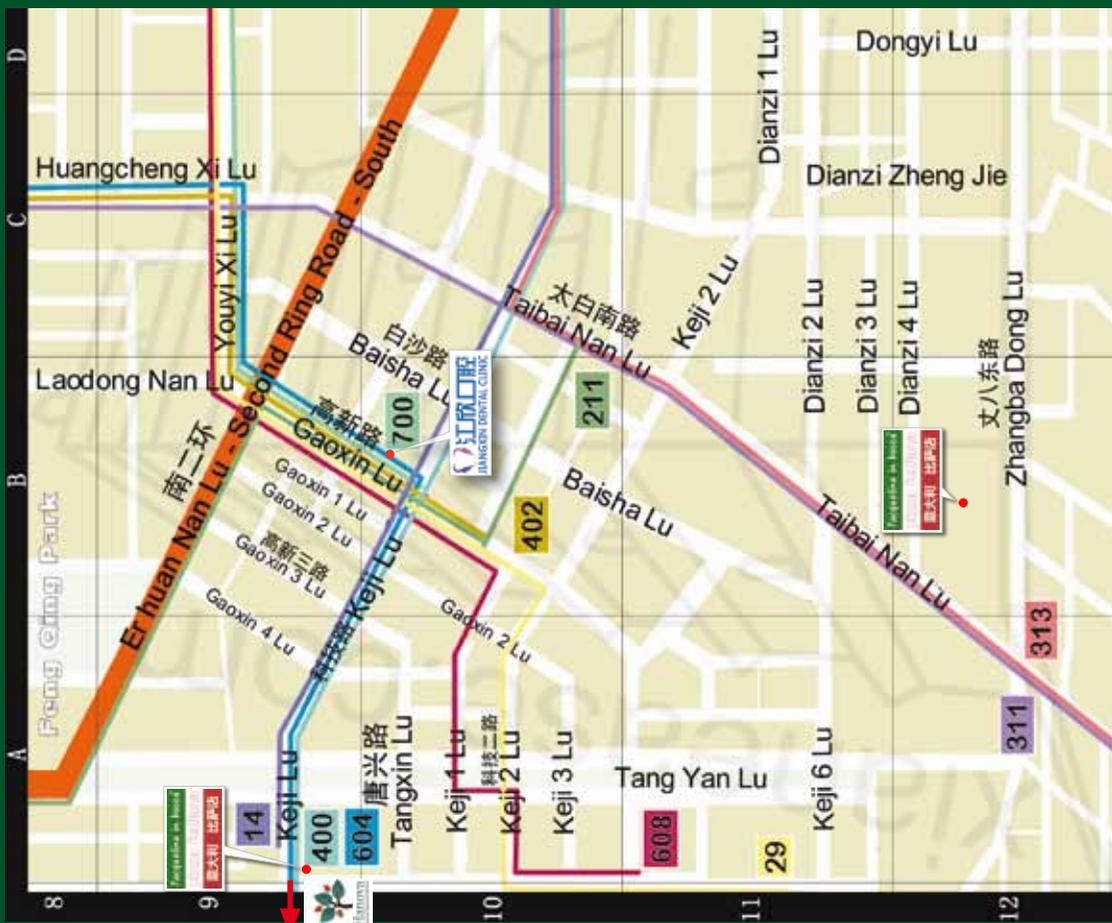


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STREET FOODIE

(www.youtube.com/cdzadek)

Article by *Christian Dzadek*

If you haven't tried duck neck from a street corner, I highly recommend it, not because it tastes exceptionally good, but because if you pass up the opportunity to eat an animal by the neck, you're missing out. Think about it. If you take a bite out of the haunch of an animal, that animal can go on living – albeit with a little less haunch – but if you bite into an animal's neck, it's more like settling a vendetta. You want that animal to stop existing.

I don't personally have it in for any particular species of beast, but I don't like to pass up a culinary experience. Guinea pig feet, rabbit brains, deep fried scorpion, huevos de torro ... If someone, somewhere eats it, I'll give it a try.

Since I like to try new things, and since I live in Xi'an – the only Chinese city listed in a recent New York Times poll of the best cities in the world to eat street



food – I started a vlog (video blog) last year. In each episode I try a snack prepared by a street cart or an alley stall. I offer my opinion of the dish, as well as a brief thought on Chinese culture. Sometimes I visit a nearby city or a cultural locale, and each episode is about three minutes long.

So, sure, I love street food, but why vlog about it?

First of all, I was looking for a hobby. I have a background in video production and even though I don't have fancy equipment, I like to get out and shoot some video when I have the chance.

I was also looking for a way to update the folks back home. It's one thing to write an email or post pictures online – but I want to give my friends and family more of an insight into my experience in Xi'an. I want them to see me sink my teeth into a cold length of duck neck and gnaw on the bones until all the meat is gone.

Plus, it gets me out there. I have two small children and I live an hour North of the city center. There are plenty of things that need my attention around the house. Making this vlog forces me to get out and see Xi'an. Sometimes I bring friends and family along; sometimes I embark on a solo adventure. I don't speak Chinese very well, but I get out there. I learn more about my community, as well as the hidden parts of Xi'an that don't always make the magazine.



Vlogging for the past year has given me a different kind of love for this city. I'm not an expert on the culture or the customs or the history, but I'm starting to become something like an expert in regard to Xi'an street food.

Food was my on-ramp into discovering the city. Yours might be something else. If you don't salivate at the thought of duck neck, go get a massage. Go get your hair done at a crazy salon. Go sit down at a tea house and don't get up until you can feel the caffeine in your veins.

Hit up my channel if you've got a line on something unique in your neck of the woods. I'd love to check it out. And whether you're down with street food or not, get out and enjoy the city this summer. You'll find it a wonderful place.



Christian and his family moved from West Palm Beach, Florida to Xi'an a few years ago. When he's not teaching he does an online video blog about street food and Chinese culture: <http://www.youtube.com/cdzadek>

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AN IDEAL WORLD

Article by *Carolyn*



Recently I've been asking my young students to imagine their Utopian society. First I had to define the word and encourage them to believe that a wu tou ban - a utopia was a positive place where all manner of concepts was possible. All without exception then conjured a world without passports or crime. When I ask how criminals are to be avoided answers range from having hundreds of police everywhere, to people being too moral and kind hearted to think about crime. A new form of Government would be set up, one where children made up 50% of the membership. Ten years old was deemed the consensual age of wisdom. Government members would sit in active session for 50

minutes per day and then get on with something else. There would be two Presidents; one male, one female, chosen from a national selection of the oldest and kindest Grandparents in China.

Schools would still be available but attendance would be optional and hours greatly reduced. Home work would be slashed to 20 minutes per night. History, geography and biology lessons would no longer be available, astronomy and philosophy would. The ten minute break between classes would be extended to 15 minutes and lunch would continue to be two hours. Every afternoon would be reserved for sports and other pleasant activities. Mondays would be football, basketball, swimming and badminton, on Tuesdays everyone would go hiking, Wednesdays they'd all sing, Thursdays would be for painting and photography and on Fridays there'd be sports competitions accompanied by the school orchestra which would be mostly made up of drummers. Every night large telescopes would be available for all children to use. One student, said he would skip sports some afternoons to study the military history of Germany and Russia. Another quietly asked if he might be allowed just to paint every day.

Compulsory tests would be abolished. But shorter, more entertaining versions would still be available in April and June for those who wanted them. A high percentage of students maintained that without any examinations at all, academic progress would be less likely. Students with very low marks would be banned from attending school for a month. School would be so much fun exclusion would be considered a punishment. Students who gained high marks would be presented with a beautiful big house. All students would be allowed to wear large hats. Girls would be allowed to paint their fingernails and wear high heels. After much discussion it was decided that uniforms would be kept but they would be made from wool in the winter and rainbow coloured silk in the summer. On Saturday

nights schools would set sound systems up in the playgrounds and host Latin dances for children, parents and teachers. Children would be free to have girlfriends and boyfriends from the age of 10.

Xi'an would be relocated to the seaside. The air would be clean, food uncontaminated and there would be plenty of fresh fruit. Most children would continue to eat a diet of traditional Chinese food but others would switch at once to pizza, spaghetti, hamburgers and ice cream. Children could play computer games for 30 minutes every day and every two days they'd be allowed to watch 25 minutes of television. Parents would never get angry.

All pavement would be removed and replaced with grass. Cars would be solar powered and only drive in the sky. There would be no tall concrete buildings. People would live in old style courtyard houses or creative, free style mansions and every dwelling would be surrounded by a plot of land. Everybody would be at liberty to choose whether to live either inside or outside their family unit. Houses would be available both on the ground and in the sky. People would be able to fly and animals would be able to talk. There would be a massive tree planting campaign and forests, teeming with verbose pandas, giraffes, hedgehogs, camels and peacocks would spring up everywhere, none of the animals would be dangerous.

Every Saturday morning children would go to their local hospitals to help the doctors and nurses and on Sunday mornings they would clean the streets. Everyone in the world would have brown hair and brown eyes and people could choose what colour skin they want, on a daily basis. There would be one international language.

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THREE DAYS IN THE REAL WORLD

- EXIT THE STUDENTS - ENTER THE EMPLOYEES

Article by *Kathy and Jennifer*

The Future Leader Program is an annual program held by the International teachers at the Gaoxin No.1 High School. It aims to offer their students internships to see what the "real world" is like. It is a highlight of every year and out of the 300 or so students only 15 to 20 positions are available. Competition is fierce and the candidates work very hard to get selected.



Swisstouches offered four positions for internship and rotated the interns to different departments during the three days - housekeeping, lobby and café. According to their supervisor, Mr. Zsolt, they were talkative, ambitious and energetic on the first day, demonstrating why they were the best people for the job, but after standing in the lobby for a whole day in high-heels and dealing with various sorts of customers their energy began to wane. Vicky had an interesting experience, "While I was in the café, two Korean customers asked me over and showed me their cell phone. It turned out to be lots of pictures of Chinese celebrities and they wanted me to name them all! It took me around ten minutes to tell them who

the actors and singers were. All the while my colleagues were passing by with curious looks on their face wondering what I was doing..." Even though they were very tired after three days their time at Swisstouches gave them a great experience. Overall, it was a success and their supervisor was pleased.

Another group of students went to Heidelberg Cement, a German company. Heidelberg is located in a village outside of Xi'an called JingYang and has over 5000 staff. All the workers come to their office by the shuttle buses. "The way to the factory was so far that I fell asleep on the bus every morning." Anna said. The internships in Heidelberg were much more serious. Anna studied a lot of accounting and finance while Megan was very busy in a technical job. After the introduction of the production and the factory, Megan's trainer gave her a task: to make a flow chart of cement product line. She spent a whole day drawing a chart as big as her.



On the other end of the spectrum, Cindy was chosen to be the Sales and Marketing assistant for Xianease. She was excited before her first workday and spent the night before finishing her website and magazine stats before her workday. For her, the three days internship had more leisure time and no high heels required. Cindy's first task was delivering the latest magazine with Patrick. "It was amazing. You can't imagine that the chief editor also delivers magazines, and on an electric bike, and I sat on the backseat." Her final task was to give the staff a full presentation about the work she had done over her internship. They all agreed that the statistics which Cindy did were very helpful in bettering Xianease.



At the same time across town three students were hard at it at the Hilton Hotel. Unlike Swisstouches they worked at the same position for all three days. While Candice and David experienced the White Collar life of sitting in an office for the whole day, Jessica interned with the Engineering department, allowing her to get to every corner of the hotel. Jessica was shown the presidential suite, the rooftop, the kitchen and many other "staff only" areas. Jessica was still shocked when the engineer who was leading her casually walked over the yellow lines in front of a door with "Danger! Do not enter!" painted in bold colors.

Most importantly, unlike previous years, this year students could apply for journalist positions with Xianease - Kathy and Jennifer successfully applied for the position through two interviews. "It's a very independent position. Not only did we travel around Xi'an alone but we also did all the interviews by ourselves, it felt good to be independent and speak with different people from different countries." They said. Their job was to document all of the internships and tell the story behind the hard work they all put in to get where they are.



These three days internships freed the students from monotonous school life and challenged their working skills. They found that not all the things are as simple as they look. Overall they realized that "real life" isn't always what it's cracked up to be or what they thought it would be like.

Jennifer Yao and Kathy Zhou are both students at GaoXin No.1 High School and did the Journalist section of the Future Leaders of Tomorrow program. If your company would like to get involved in next year's program or if you have questions you can contact them at interns@xianease.com.

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Q&A on Labor Rights

Article by **Wei Chen**

Q1: When it comes to the issues of working visas, if a company fails to provide a working visa in for an employee, can the company and an employee still have a valid employment contract? Who is held responsible if an employee is found working without a work visa at a company and what are the repercussions

A1: The employment contract will be invalid without the employment license and the employment visa. Comparing with the legal employment relationship, this kind of case cannot be accepted by the labour arbitration committee, the only remedy path is sue to the people's court. Normally, Labour Arbitration is a pre-procedure of judicial procedure for labour disputes resolution

If the employee already contributed his labor for certain period of time, the people's court may ask the employer to pay the relevant salary.

Also, there are many labour rights the employee could not claim based on the illegal employment relationship.

Under the illegal employment situation, the employer and the employee may face the administration punishment, like fine, termination the contract, even exit the expatriate employee from China within a time limit, etc.

Q2: To make sure I understand, no matter what the dispute is, if there is no working visa or working

license than a contract is invalid and has no legal standing, is that correct? Is the company required to provide the working license to the employee and is that given with a working visa or is it a separate document? Can you please send me the Chinese characters for employment license?

A2: Yes, the labour contract will not be accepted as an effective evidence without employment license (就业证). The employer supposed to apply the Employment Permit Certificate(就业许可证) for the employee, then the employee can get the Employment License(就业证). Employment visa(职业签证) is different from the Employment License, it is separate document.

I hope the procedure for Aliens seeking employment as below is helpful for you to understand:

Aliens seeking employment in China should follow an employment permit system. Those who have been awarded Alien Employment License of the People's Republic of China (Hereinafter referred to as "Employment License") should go through relevant formalities according to the following procedures

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3. Present the Employment License, labour contract valid passport and other relevant documents to the labour and social security administrative authorities of the area where the employer is located to apply for Alien Employment Permit (hereinafter referred to as "Employment Permit").

4. The aliens who have obtained the Employment Permit should present the Employment Permit to the local public security authorities to apply for Alien Residence Permit within 30 days after entering China.

Aliens who hold the Employment Permit and the Alien Residence Permit can be legally employed in China under the Protection of Chinese laws.

5. The Employment License will come into effect on the date of issuance and remain effective for a period of six months.

Wei Chen is an English speaking Chinese lawyer from Xi'an. She has over ten years of legal practice with degrees from both the United States as well as in China. Currently she works at Shaanxi Jindi Law Firm - one of the largest firms in the province. She specializes in labor, employment, contract, and corporate law. She can be contacted through email at chenwei12355@163.com

CHARDONNAY

Article by **windculture**

Chardonnay is a white grape variety that is used worldwide and is a native of Burgundy in France.

This variety is found in great wines such as Champagne (sometimes up to 100%), Chablis, Meursault, and many others.

Chardonnay makes light and easy to drink white wine

The characteristic of Chardonnay is that it produces a grape with a good level of acidity (like some Loire wines) and sugars - but as with almost all grapes it is important to remember that the taste is a reflection of the earth where the grapes are grown.

If you want to try something simple, pair a Chablis wine and grilled fish (a sea fish is better) don't over spice or sauce the fish, simply let the two basic and simple flavors work together. Taste it, and tell me what you think.

With a sweet Chardonnay wine you should pair it with foie gras or dark chocolate cake (Gâteau au chocolat noir) and enjoy!

See you next month!

Raphael

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霞多丽用于酿造白的葡萄酒，它们很清爽、易饮（我喜欢叫朋友之酒），其酿造的甜葡萄酒可以搭配法国鹅肝、黑巧克力蛋糕来享受。

霞多丽给予葡萄具有良好的酸度的特点（像一些法国卢瓦尔河的葡萄酒），它的甜度也很明显，但是不要忘记了一件事：相同葡萄品种能够反射出地球不同地区生长的不同特点。

如果你想尝试一些简单的，可以选一瓶夏布利白葡萄酒搭配烤鱼（深海鱼最好，不要添加任何酱汁，少许盐和轻滴一些橄榄油即可），尝试一下，告诉我你们的感受。

下个月见。

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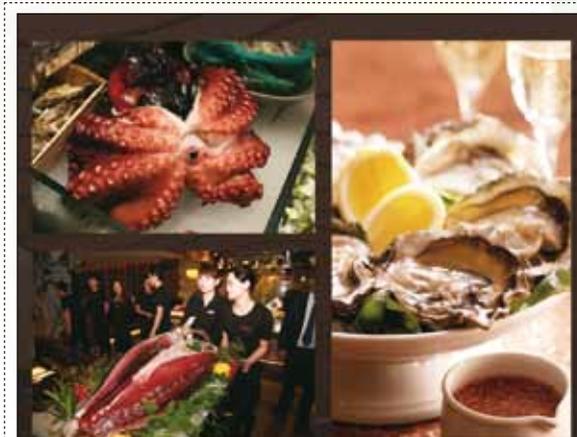
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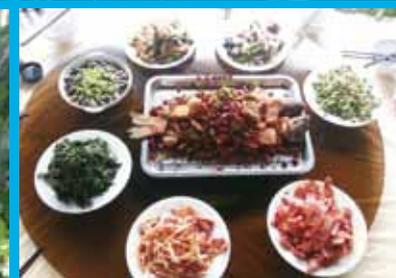
Over the past two months the Xi'an Wine Club has not only had classes to aid in wine appreciation but they also had a wine tasting with some amazing food and wine, and then headed outdoors for a bit of the practical application with a park BBQ and summer wine a great day! Want to get involved? Head over to www.xianease.com/wine



TOASTMASTERS



They were at it again, not only bettering themselves in public speaking in Sofitel, but they went a bit more public and gave speeches at the Sculpting in Time on Shida rd. As a reward for all the nerve wracking public speaking they all headed out of the city for a bit of relaxation and bonding. They meet at least twice a month and are always looking at getting new people involved so check them out and better yourself too! Head over to www.xianease.com/toastmasters



PUB QUIZ



Last month was a hot one but that didn't stop you guys from heading out to the cool Belgian Bar for some hot trivia by the ever vivacious Trivia Master Phil (TMP to those in the know). This month *Sweet Caroline* just scraped out a winning by getting 16 out of 25 correct and drinking down the icy three liters of blond enlightenment. www.xianease.com/events



KING FOR THE TABLE



Taking it over from the last tourney official *Handsome Steve* started his reign with a bang bringing folks from all over the city to compete and see who would take the monthly title of King of the Table. This month *Eugene* (better known as *Genie*) took the title beating out everyone else to be the one left standing. They do the tourney the second Wednesday of every month so head out to the Demon bar and see if you can walk away with the cash and the respect.

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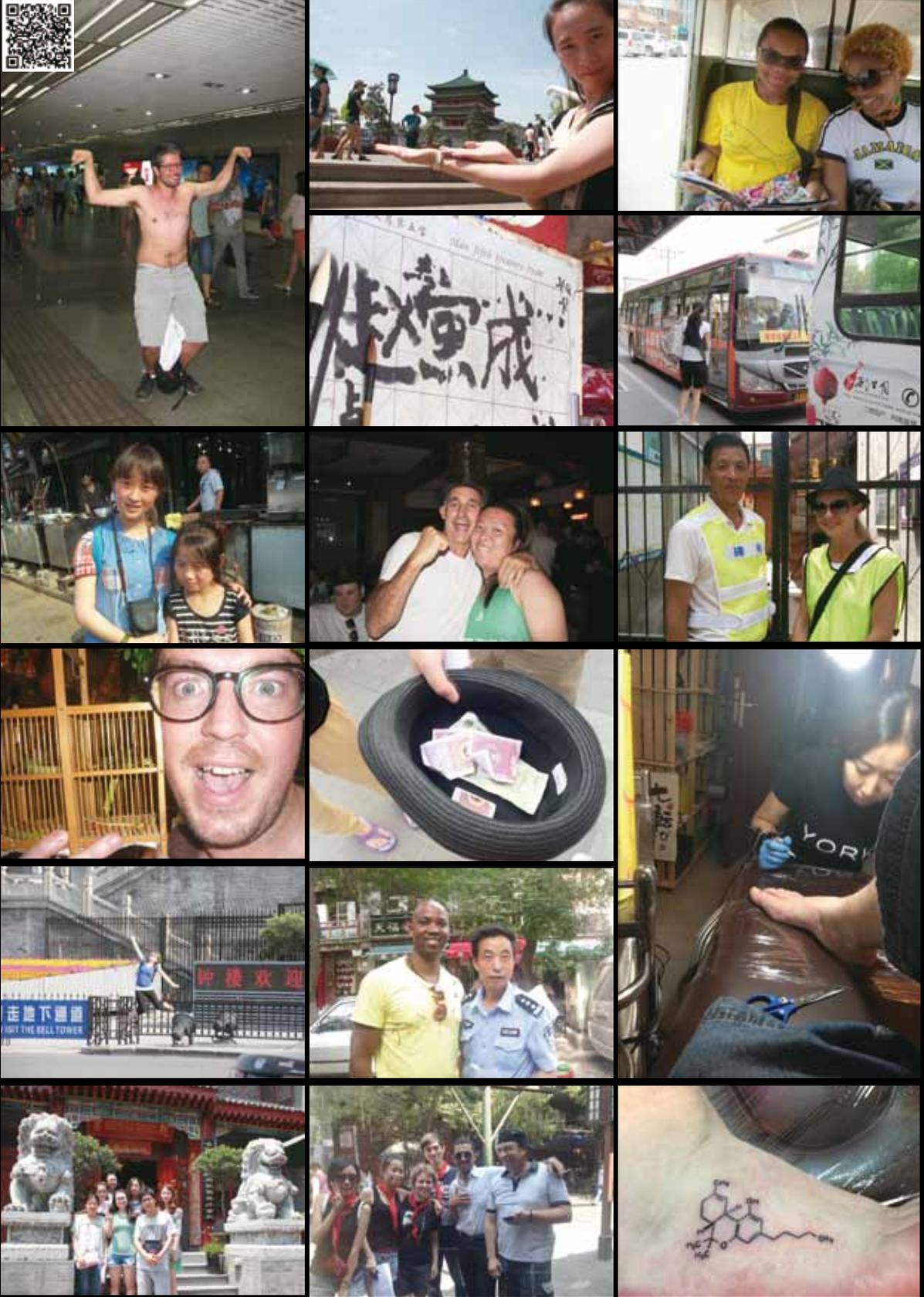
德宝利娇 世界上独一无二的草本助消化酒，传统工艺萃取43个国家的天然草本精华酿造成，160多年的历史，德国传统文化代表之一，好似德国的茅台，世界各国名流名媛都在饮用，欢饮饱餐后的最佳选择。

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THIRD ANNUAL GREAT XI'AN SCAVENGER HUNT



This year folks got into it even more than last with teams in full costume walking the streets in search of fulfilling odd tasks and discovering new places in the city. Of the ten teams that competed *Men at Work* with their yellow vests, black suave hats, and classy white t-shirts carried the day just beating out the second place team...it was a great day.





We have lots more listings online either use your smart phone and scan the QR code or go to www.xianese.com/xianguide to check them all out!!!

Entertainment



Bars

67 The Belgian Bar

杰诺比利时酒吧
Shun Cheng Nan Lu #69
(East Side Inside The South Gate)
南门顺城南路中段69号
(南门里东侧150米处)
Phone: 029-8725 6656
13201672369

A popular and friendly pub with Xian's largest Belgian beer selection including two Belgian draft beers. Happy Hour 5PM to 8PM daily. Food served lunch and dinner.

83 Park Qin

秦文化主题酒吧
#2 Shun Cheng Xi Xiang near the South Gate
顺城西巷2号靠近南门
Phone: 029-8728 7720
Located just inside the South Gate, this is a popular bar for both westerners and chinese. They serve Heineken on draft.

10 De Fu Lou Cafe & Bar

德福楼酒吧
#39, De Fu Xiang Street (Bar Street)
德福巷39号
Phone: 029-8728 3630
One of the first bars ever to open in Xian and a favourite hangout for locals. Live football on the big screen and live music every night. Paulaner and Vedett Blond on tap.

83 Just Enjoy Life Bar

里享生活馆
Southwest corner inside the city wall, the new bar street
城墙内西南角新酒吧一条街
Phone: 029-8738 6888
Hours: 11:00 -- 2:00

83 GELIN

格林餐吧
#1F101, XiYun Jewelry City, South Part of ST. Bai Shu Lin 柏树林南段
Phone: 029-8736 0997
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89 Green Molly

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西安市高新区高科大厦副楼一层(世纪金花商场后门向北200米路东)
Phone: 029-8188 3339



Clubs

87 Fantasy

范特西
5th & 6th floor, #46 South Street
西安市南大街46号5-6层
New disco club located on South Street.
Phone: 029-8763 3999

87 Salsa Club

莎莎俱乐部
7th floor of Parkson, Xida Jie
西大街百盛7楼
Phone: 029-8728 6666
15929550010
One of the most crowded clubs in Xi'an. Located 5 minutes walk from the bell tower.

86 Habana Club in Sofitel

哈瓦那
#319, Dong Xin Street
陕西省西安市东大街319号
Phone: 13571887543
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KTV

83 Fantasy KTV

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#159, Xingqing nan lu
碑林区兴庆南路159号
Phone: 029-8813 1234

83 Party World

钱柜
#1, North Street
西安西华门1号凯爱大厦1-3层
Phone: 029-6267 8888

10 Real Love

真爱娱乐广场
#1 Chang'an North Road, opposite the Shaanxi library
长安北路1号1
Phone: 029-8525 1234



Shows

89 Tang Dynasty Show

Palace 唐乐宫
Chang'an Lu, nearby the Coca-cola stadium
长安路, 临近省体育场
Phone: 029-8526 1633
The show is performed by the "Tang Dynasty Song & Dance Troupe", a branch of the "Shaanxi Provincial Song & Dance Troupe".

83 Shaanxi Grand Opera House

陕西歌舞大剧院

#165 Wenyi Bei Lu
文艺北路165号
Phone: 029-8785 3295
Provides the professional Tang Dynasty Dance and Music Show together with dinner.
Dinner: After 18:00
Show: After 19:00

87 Changan Banquet

长安夜宴
Changle Theatre, #17 Jinhua South Road
金花南路17号长乐剧院(咸宁桥以北300米处)
Phone: 029-8322 1111
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Restaurants



Cafes

Sculpting in Time
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83 #28 Xianning West Road
雁塔区咸宁西路28号交大一村四舍(交大商场往西500米)
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Phone: 029-8537 5772

82 #41 ShiDa Lu, YanTa District
西安市雁塔区师大路41号2楼
Phone: 029-8522 8182
Hours: 08:30 -- 23:30

82 2F, Golden Bridge Plaza, Keji Lu
高新区科技路金桥国际广场BC座2层
Phone: 029-8886 0857
Hours: 08:30 -- 23:30

87 NanYuan Men, BeiLin District
碑林区南院门

Phone: 029-8762 5857
Hours: 08:30 -- 23:30

82 Village Café

乡村咖啡馆
#32 Shida Lu, Nearby the Shanxi Normal University
雁塔区师大路32号
Phone: 029-8522 2150
Located in the south by Wai Yuan and Shi Da.

87 NONO Cafe

NONO咖啡
#113 South Avenue
西安市南大街东木头市113号
Phone: 029-8726 5599
Hours: 9:30 -- 00:00

King Coffee
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87 #1st Floor of Fang Hui Mansion, No. 383 East Street
东大街383号方汇大厦B1楼

87 #52, Nan Da Jie
西安市南大街52号

81 #25, Yan Ta West Road
西安市大唐通易坊25号
Hours: 9:00 -- 22:30

83 Squirrel café

松鼠家咖啡
100 meters to the west along the wall inside He Ping Men
碑林区和平门内沿城墙向西100米
Phone: 029-8752 4343
137 0023 2148
Hours: 10:00 -- 22:00

83 Back Nook Cafe

后角咖啡
100m inside Dong Shun Cheng lane, South Gate, Xi'an
西安市南门外东顺城巷内100米
Phone: 029-8725 3257
www.backnookbar.com
Hours: 11:00 -- 01:00



Western

83 Colabo Italian Restaurant
COLABO意大利餐厅
11F, K.I.Tower, #1 of Xihuamen
西安市西华门凯爱大厦11层
Phone: 029-7201501/87201502
Colabo is one of those places that once you set foot in you realize that you are in for a good meal.
Hours: 11:30 - 15:00 (L.O.14:00)
17:30 - 22:00 (L.O.21:15)

83 Burger King
汉堡王
地铁二号线北大街站C出口
B1层
Phone: 8738 8321
Hours: 8:00am-10:00pm

Subway
赛百味

87 西大街店
#125 the West Street
西大街 125号, 百盛购物中心西侧
Phone: 029-8727 4255 (Deliver)
Hours: 7:00 -- 22:30

81 大雁塔店
Great Tang's All Day Mall, South Square of Big Wild Goose Pagoda.
大唐不夜城新乐汇内, 中国银行旁
Phone: 029-8557 3669 (Deliver)
Hours: 8:00 -- 22:30

83 高新店
#17, Gaoxin 1st. Road
高新一路17号
Phone: 029-8826 9812 (Deliver)

Small World Café

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81 Big Goose Pagoda Location
Huanta Nanlu, Da Yan Ta
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#69 Nan Guan Road
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Hours: 09:00 -- 23:30

810 Northern Square Branch
Building C of Big Wild Goose Pagoda
大雁塔北广场C座
Hours: 09:00 -- 23:30

89 High Tech Zone Branch
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The Catholic Church, No 17 Wu Xing St., (15 mins walk from Bell Tower),
陕西省西安市, 五星街天主教堂17号, 黄河慈善厨房(高钟楼步行15分钟)

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Phone: 029-8889 4573
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A9 Ke Ji road xi kou, no.18 du shi yin xiang street, ground floor, shop no.10116
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G5 Wanda Plaza,Min Le Yuan, Jie Fang Road. 解放路民乐园万达广场
Phone:029-8740 2921
Hours:10:00-22:00

Indian

G11 Delhi Darbar
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#3 Da Tang tong Yi Fang, Yanta Xi Lu 雁塔西路大唐通易坊东头3号
Phone: 029-85255157
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Hours: 10:30 -- 23:00

G11 Cacaja
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#46 Yanta Xi Lu 雁塔西路46号

Phone: 029-85252536
Hours: 11:30 -- 16:30
17:30 -- 22:30

Japanese

G12 Inimitable Restaurant
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G9 1F, Wan Da Shopping Mall, #8 Yanta Lu

雁塔路8号万达广场1楼
Phone: 029-85560358
Hours: 10:00 -- 22:00

F7 2F, Melody Hotel, #86 Xida Jie
西大街86号美伦酒店2楼
Phone: 029-87639368
Hours: 10:00 -- 22:00

Korean

E9 Sarabol
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#14 Chang'an Bei Lu, East gate of the Shaanxi Stadium 长安北路14号
Phone: 029-8559 0088
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Hours 11:00 -- 21:30

F7 Tudari
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Phone: 029-8727 1264
Hours: 11:00 -- 23:00

Chinese

B9 Bai Xing Chu Fang
百姓厨房
#6 Guangde Lu 光德路6号
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Hours: 11:30 -- 21:30

B8 Lao Pu Kao Ya
北京老铺烤鸭
#1 Laodong Bei Lu 劳动北路1号
Phone: 029-8864 5888
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10:30 -- 14:30

F7 #1 middle of Huancheng Dong Lu 环城东路中段1号
Phone: 029-8240 3688
Hours: 7:00 -- 11:00
10:30 -- 14:30

Vegetarian

G11 Tianlong Vegetarian
天龙宝严素食馆
#1 Yanta West Road 雁塔西路1号
Phone: 029-8526 6880
Hours: 11:00 -- 21:00

G11 Datang Vegetarian
大唐素食坊
#5 Yanta 1st Road 雁塔一路5号207

BBQ

F9 Xiao Yang Kao Rou
小杨烤肉
#256 Jianshe Xi Lu 建设西路256号
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17:00 -- 04:00

E6 Hui Min Jie
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B9 3F, Gao Ke Buliding, #1 Gaoxin Si Lu 高新四路1号高科广场3楼
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Hours: 10:30 -- 03:00

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G9 Bibini Nice-cream
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F7 #1 Luo Ma Shi, South of Min Sheng Shopping Mall 骡马市1号民生百货南侧
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A10 #3 Tang Yan Road 唐延路3号, 枫叶新都市对面
Thai supermarket.

F12 Southeast of the Television Tower on Changan Street 电视塔东南角

E9 Korean Supermarket
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#18 Xin Yuan Residential Area Tian Tan West Road 天坛西路杏园小区18号楼
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13379037071
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Foreign Goods

F12 Metro
麦德龙超市

F7 Wal-Mart
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Shopping Centers

F7 Kai Yuan Shopping Mall
开元商城
#6 East Avenue next to the Bell Tower 东大街解放市场6号
Phone: 029-8723 5340

F7 Zhong Da International Shopping Center
中大国际
30 South Street 南大街30号
Phone: 029-8720 3000
Hours: 10:00 -- 22:00

Ginwa Shopping Center
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G9 #1 Xida Jie next to the bell tower

西大街1号钟鼓楼广场
Phone: 029-87631708
G5 #55 Keji Lu 科技路55号
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Hours: 10:00 -- 22:00

Wan Da Shopping Mall
万达广场

G9 #8 North of Yanta Lu 雁塔路北段8号

G5 Wulu Kou 五路口东南角

E6 Grand Ocean
大洋百货
Beida Jie 北大街

Tea Markets

Ren He Tea Market
人和茶叶市场
#101 Chang Le Zhong Road 长乐中路101号

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Yi Wu Market, #188 Chang Le Central Road 长乐中路188号 义乌商城

Clothing Markets

E10 Bai Hui Market
百汇市场
Bai Hui Market, Chang'an Central Road 长安中路 百汇市场

B5 Duo Cai Wholesale Clothing Mall
多彩服装商城
215 Chang Le West Road 长乐西路215号

F12 Hua Dong Wholesale Clothing Market (Chang'an Store)
华东服装商城 (长安店)
Wu Jia Fen, Chang'an South Road 长安南路陕西师范大学对面 吴家坟

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Phone: 029-8523 0026
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B9 #18 Gaoxin Lu 高新路18号

J8 South of Er Huan Dong Lu 东二环与咸宁西路交叉十字

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Appliance Centers

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Phone: 029-8731 9196
Hours: 09:30 -- 19:00

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B10 1 Keji Lu 科技路1号
Phone: 029-8856 9620
Hours: 09:00 -- 21:30

Furniture Markets

F11 Da Ming Gong Furniture Center
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#180 Tai Hua Bei Road 太华北路180号
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Antique Markets

16 Ba Xian An Antique Market
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Bei Lin District
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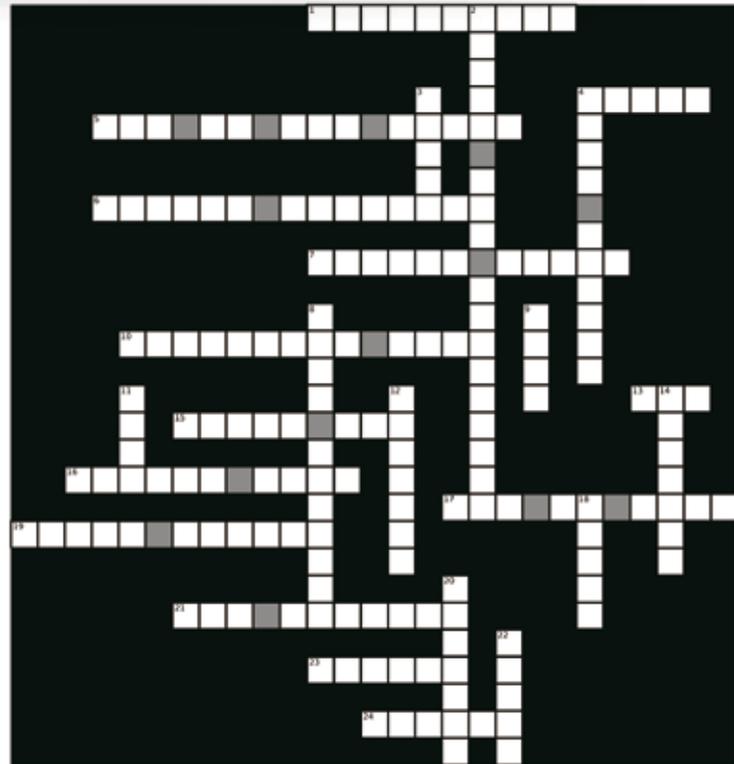
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Pub Quiz Questions

Last month was a hot one but that didn't stop you guys from heading out to the cool Belgian Bar for some hot trivia by the ever vivacious Trivia Master Phil (TMP to those in the know). This month **Sweet Caroline** just scraped out a winning by getting 16 out of 25 correct and drinking down the icy three liters of blond enlightenment.

Want the answers? Head over to www.xianease.com/trivia for this month's answers



Across

- The four student houses at Hogwards are Gryffindor, Slytherin, Ravenclaw, and which?
- After the USA, what country has the most McDonalds restaurants?
- What war was fought between the Houses of York and Lancaster?
- Which Beatle produced several Monty Python projects through his production company, Handmade Films?
- What actor played Sulu in the original Star Trek series?
- What actor has played Batman in the most live-action Batman films?
- In the comic strip Andy Capp, what is Andy Capp's wife's name?
- In 2012, what international restaurant chain released its own perfume to correspond with Valentine's Day?
- The first time that Michael Jackson performed the Moonwalk on stage was in 1983 while performing which of his songs?
- The song 'Down Under', also known as 'The Land Down Under', was released in 1981 by which Australian new wave rock group?
- With a planned height of 1km, the Kingdom Tower is currently under construction in which country?
- What body-builder played 'the Hulk' in the television series, The Incredible Hulk, from 1978 to 1982?
- Which US state has the longest coastline?
- The Epic of Gilgamesh focuses on Gilgamesh's friendship with which wild man?

Down

- The 1996 novel, and later film, Bridget Jones' Diary, is a loose adaptation of which Jane Austen book?
- What was the best selling car in the world for 2012?
- In November, 1967, who appeared on the cover of the first issue of Rolling Stone Magazine?
- What aging Academy Award winner demonstrated his vitality by doing one-handed push-ups during his Oscar acceptance speech?
- The first human spaceflight mission of the Chinese space program, Shenzhou 5, was launched in which year?
- What kind of animal is on the Lamborghini logo?
- Desdemona is the love interest in which of Shakespeare's plays?
- What is Hanson's Disease more commonly known as?
- What is the last name of the famous boxer known as 'Kid Dynamite'?
- In the 1984 film Ghostbusters, what is the last name of the actor who played the KeyMaster, Lewis Tully?
- Injil is the Arabic name for what Muslims recognize as the Gospel of which religious figure?

Movie Review

Arrested Development : It's Back!

Article By *Daemon Klute*

For those who do not know, Arrested Development ran for three seasons from 2003-2006 and was cancelled. Many, me included, feel that this clearly proved that everyone in the world had somehow lost their minds. The show returned one month ago on Netflix for a 15 episode Season 4 and the universe feels whole again. Here's why.....

This show is dark comedy in every sense; the main characters are all members of the Bluth family. Who are a conglomeration of some of the most unethical, repugnant, and self-unaware people ever to grace a television screen. Because of this it allows for a completely different kind of serial comedy.

Arrested Development challenged the way we perceive a TV comedy series. They abandoned the quick 22 minute story arc where something quirky happens, a few jokes are made, there is a quick resolution, and all the cute characters are happy again (See "Friends", "The Big Bang Theory", "How I Met

Your Mother" for examples).

Whereas most sit-coms spoon feed the audience canned laughs, where the set up for the joke can be seen coming with all the subtlety of a charging bull elephant, Arrested Development forced the audience to actively watch the show. The jokes are layered, often starting as quips that are set-ups for a punch line coming several episodes later, or are re-told and re-used in ever increasingly creative ways that a passive audience member will miss.

This makes it one of the only comedy shows that can be endlessly re-watched. I have personally re-watched every episode from Seasons 1-3 and watched Season 4 three times since its release on May 26, 2013 (something my wife is none too impressed about). But I can't help myself, the show is just that good.

Quick Tips:

- Start at Season 1 episode 1 (This show must be consumed as a whole)
- Pay Attention as you watch



ARRESTED DEVELOPMENT

Daemon is an American/Canadian and has been living in Xi'an since 2004. He teaches at a local University and loves this city and everything it has to offer. If you would like to contact him or recommend a movie/book/album for him to review contact him at daemon.klute@xianease.com

3. Burn your copies of Big Bang Theory (These kinds of formulaic comedies will never be funny again)

4. DO NOT WATCH LATE AT NIGHT WHILE YOUR 10 MONTH OLD BABY IS SLEEPING (Your laughter will wake her, she will cry, your spouse will be angry, and you will be sleeping on the sofa for a while.)

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