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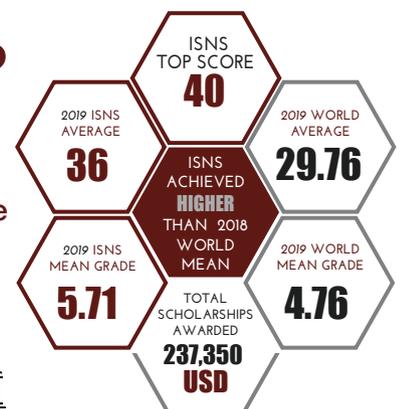
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Editor's Note

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Back in the spring of 2011, some high school friends and myself set off on a backpacking adventure in Central America. And while the trip took us through the beautiful nations of Guatemala and Belize, the real highlight – for myself, anyway – was cavern diving in southern Mexico's stunning cenotes.

Dark, otherworldly and inaccessible to the vast majority of the world's population, cavern diving in the cenotes of the Yucatán Peninsula left two powerful impressions on me: respect for the dangers of overhead diving and appreciation for the geological wonders of our planet.

Last month, I set off to explore the underwater caves of Du'an county, Guangxi with accomplished Chinese cave diver Han Ting. The result of that trip is this month's cover story (pages 34-43), which profiles the caves, the adventurous people exploring them and the relationship between Du'an's Yao minority and South China's underground river system.

I'd like to extend a massive thanks to TV director, diver and all-around badass Rachel Berkley, who was indispensable in putting together this month's cover story.

Before I let you flip through the fine pages of our October 2019 issue, I want to remind readers that voting in our annual That's Food & Drink Awards will kick off this month, so keep an eye on our official WeChat accounts and thatsmags.com.

Until next month,



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Editor-in-Chief



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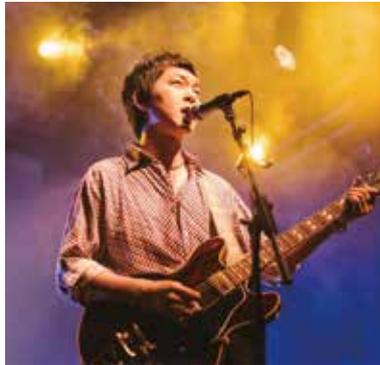
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SIGNALS FROM ABOVE

China's Huge Telescope Detects Strange Signals from Deep Space

By Matthew Bossons

China's super-massive Five-hundred-meter Aperture Spherical Radio Telescope (FAST) has picked up repeated strange signals from the dark abyss of space.

According to *China Daily*, the signals are 'fast radio bursts' (FRB) and are coming from a source known as FRB121102, which is located a mind-boggling 3 billion light years away and was first detected in 2012.

In the short period from late August till the start of September, more than 100 FRB were detected coming from FRB121102 – the highest number ever noticed (so far, anyway).

Now, we know what you're wondering: What is a fast radio burst? Let us default to

the fine folks at Sciencealert.com: "[FRBs] are detected [in radio astronomy] as spikes in radio data, lasting just a few milliseconds. But, in that time, they can discharge more energy than 500 million Suns. Most FRBs are only detected once and can't be predicted, so tracing them back to their source is really tricky ... That's why repeaters are so important."

Chinese researchers detected the tidal wave of signals from FRB121102 after installing a super-sensitive "FRB backend on a 19-beam receiver," according to *China Daily*, and astronomers are currently reexamining and cross-checking their findings.

No one is sure of the source of FRBs, and theories range from black holes and pulsars

to the ever-intriguing idea of extraterrestrial messages.

Now that the significance of FRB121102 is fully apparent, FAST will be undertaking further monitoring of the burst, which is coming from a dwarf galaxy in the constellation Auriga, according to a 2017 article by CNN. Astronomers in China are also encouraging their colleagues around the world to monitor the burst at their research facilities.

While FRB121102 was the only known repeating FRB for over half a decade, in January of this year another was discovered – FRB180814. Since then, eight new repeaters have been detected, bringing the total of repeating FRBs to 10, according to ScienceNews.

THE BUZZ

RANDOM NUMBER:

22.1 micrograms

...was the average hourly PM2.5 concentration reading in Beijing during the month of August, according to a report released by Swiss air quality tech company IQAir, proving that the city is well on track to leave the list of the world's top 200 polluted cities this year. Although this is a step in the right direction, Beijing's year-to-date average sits at 42.6 micrograms, which is still four times higher than the World Health Organization's guidelines. So how did the city manage this feat? The largest contributors of locally-generated PM2.5 in the capital are vehicle emissions, followed by road and construction dust. In the past couple years, the capital has worked to relocate polluting industries and shut down the last of its four coal-fired power plants in 2017. Restrictions on fireworks have also been tightened, as air pollution levels skyrocket during big holidays like Lunar New Year.



DON'T YOU KNOW WHO I AM?

China's American



Former American adviser to the Communist Party of China Sidney Rittenberg passed away on Saturday, August 24. Rittenberg, known as Li Dunbai (李敦白) in China, first arrived in the country in 1944 as an American soldier slash linguist who was proficient in Chinese – a language he learned after the US Army sent him to its language school at Stanford University. In Shanghai, he met members of the Communist Party, who encouraged him to head to Yan'an, where Mao was leading the Communist Revolution in China. The South Carolina native went on to develop a good rapport with China's top brass – Mao Zedong and Zhou Enlai; although he would end up serving two prison sentences during his 30-plus years in China. Right at the time when China and the US had established diplomatic relations in 1979, Rittenberg decided to return to the US, where he had always remained a citizen.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH



“If you want to survive, you need to have the love quotient, otherwise you can't survive in the time of AI”

...said Alibaba founder Jack Ma at the World Artificial Intelligence Conference (WAIC), which took place in Shanghai last month. Joined on stage by Tesla CEO Elon Musk, Ma spoke about AI in front of a live audience at the three-day tech event, talking about the job opportunities the technology will help create for the future workforce and predicting that people will spend less time doing trivial work and more time getting involved in creative tasks. The topics of Mars and extraterrestrial life were also broached during the business leaders' chat, with Musk expressing his curiosity about the existence of aliens and Ma responding that he's not interested in the red planet, but rather focuses his attention on the issues Earth faces. At the end of the day, the two brainiacs did agree on one thing: love.

URBAN DICTIONARY



fengkou/fēngkǒu / 风口 n. wind tunnel; an area or sector where, for a period of time, all investors want to invest in; a much hyped but often empty concept

A What is your new start-up?

It's online-to-offline social-enabled and location-based haircuts.

A So... a barbershop?

Yes, but a barbershop on a *fengkou*!

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Most people have the problem of not having enough money, while some have the opposite problem of having too much money and not knowing where to put it. Since the latter group is not inherently smarter than the former, moneyed people want to put their money where all the moneyed people do, for reasons no sounder than "I've heard it's a good idea." Those spots where all investors want to put their money, because they've heard it's a good investment, are called *fengkou*.

Fengkou literally means a wind tunnel. Just as you can throw anything into a wind tunnel and it will fly, any start-up thrown into a *fengkou* will be buoyed by an ample amount of investors' money, regardless of the business' quality. If you know where the *fengkou* is, investors will throw money at you even if all you have is a PowerPoint presentation.

Many attribute the popularity of the word to Xiaomi founder Lei Jun, who famously said that even a pig can fly if it stands in a wind tunnel. (His critics have countered, "Don't forget you are a pig when you stand in a wind tunnel.")

When the *fengkou* was renewable energy, investors chased solar, hydro and even hamster wheel energy generators. When the *fengkou* was the sharing economy, there were shared bikes, cars, vacation homes, umbrellas and even basketballs – an app called 猪了个球 or 'pig a basketball' received over 10 million yuan in its pre-A round in 2016 and promptly went bankrupt in 2018. (We don't think it's a coincidence that the app had the word 'pig' in its name.)

If you don't have money to invest, you can also contribute to the *fengkou* economy by providing hype. Read up on cryptocurrency and tell all your friends to buy the latest coin or a crypto-kitty. Enroll in an online college and brag about how e-education is the future. Buy a 5G phone and practice despising 4G download speed.

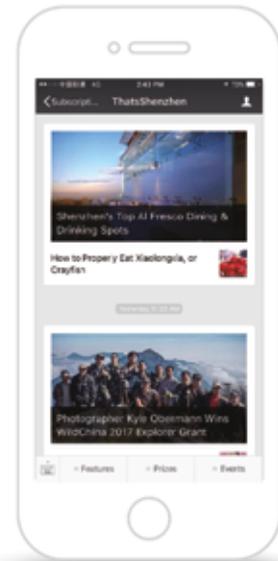
From Jack Ma to Elon Musk, everyone is looking for the next *fengkou*. Will it be delivery drones, smart pets or connectivity-enabled peanut butter? No one knows, but you better be there when it happens! **Mia Li**

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ZOOM IN FOR GRANDEUR

The Story Behind Thomas Chu's National Geographic-Recognized Photo

By Tristin Zhang, photos by Thomas Chu

K2, the second highest mountain in the world.



“I want to see mountains again. Mountains, Gandalf!”

Many share Bilbo Baggins' obsession with mountains, photographer Thomas (Weimin) Chu included. Mother Nature has grown on Chu, who was born and raised in mountainous Chongqing; however, it was not until after hiking the scenic Bavarian Alps during one of his college years abroad in Germany that his passion for sharing alpine beauty through photography was ignited.

After graduation, Chu became a software engineer; at around the three-year mark, he decided on a career change, and became a professional photographer with a focus on polar landscapes and high mountains. And thus began his story as an outdoor aficionado.

One year prior to graduating, Chu posed a challenge for himself: capture a photograph of the top 10 highest mountain peaks on earth. His personal goal was finally realized last year, when at just 28 years of age Chu faced up to northern Pakistan's Chhogori, better known as K2 – the world's second highest mountain.

Trango Towers, a family of 6,000-meter-tall-plus granite mountains on the Pakistani border with China's Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region.



A desert dune stretching toward a mountain range in Pakistan.

It was not, however, with masterly composed photos of mysterious, majestic mountain peaks that he managed to captivate this year's judges at one of the world's most prestigious photography competitions.

The National Geographic Travel Photo Contest annually supplies the world's photography lovers with stunning photos of natural scenery, wildlife, festivities and portraits. This year, Chu's quintessential wintertime photograph in Upernavik – a fishing village in northwestern Greenland – garnered both the Grand Prize and First Prize in the 'Cities' category at the reputable photo contest in June.

Upernavik, home to approximately 1,000 residents, is dotted with colorful wooden houses, which form the shape of a Christmas tree. These are the only vivid colors visible when the vast area is blanketed in a sea of snow.



Trango Towers rising from a shroud of mist amid showers.



March is the coldest month in Upernavik, in northwestern Greenland, with an average temperature of minus 23 degrees Celsius.



The winning photo was composed during Chu's third expedition to Greenland in March of this year, when monthly temperatures averaged minus 23 degrees Celsius in the Northwest of the Arctic country. Keen on Greenland's solitude, he had deliberately chosen to visit during this time of the year to observe daily life.

His initial composition – a village street lit up against the backdrop of a dark, frozen sea on a wintry evening – lacked life before a local family of three entered the frame. In demanding dark conditions, his skills were put to the test. He had to capture the ideal moment before the family vanished. The ISO setting (a camera setting that adjusts an image's brightness) was pumped up to compensate for the lack of light, risking the loss of details in the photo. The result is travel photography at its finest, which *National Geographic* recognized with top honors.



Swaying aurora borealis illuminates the sky after days of rain, during a two-month exploration of Greenland.



View from a Hang Son Doong doline 150 meters underground.

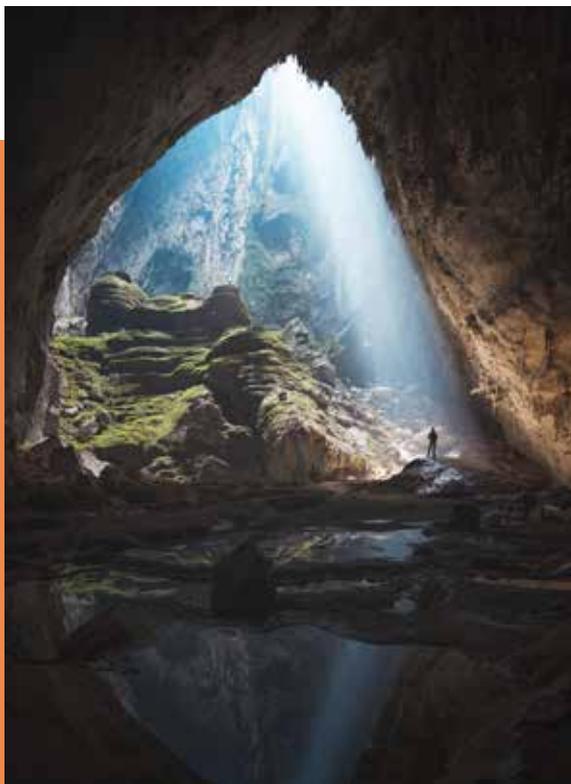
Photography is a practice characterized by the element of surprise. Having originally planned to spend two days at Upernavik before heading further north, Chu was forced to stay in the small village for as long as a week due to the lack of flights leaving the area. On the sixth day, after exploring every corner of the small town, he came across the “dreamy” composition that would make all the difference in his photographic journey.

The future looks bright for the young photographer. But, most importantly for Chu, he is doing what may sound like a luxury in our time – a job he loves. His work has taken him to some of the most captivating spots on Earth, such as Patagonia and Hang Son Doong, the world’s largest known underground cave.

At this moment, the Chongqing native is likely spending time on some faraway mountain, where he feels a sense of belonging: Looking for his ideal composition, setting up a tripod and slicing in a polarizer and a six-stop ND filter in front of his brand new Sony A7R4 before hitting the shutter and capturing that awe-inspiring moment when the first ray of sunlight casts a rosy-pink hue on a mountain peak.

Simply by doing what he loves, Chu’s adventures indicate he is living his best life. To quote American literary iconoclast Jack Kerouac: “Because in the end, you won’t remember the time you spent working in the office or mowing the lawn. Climb that goddamn mountain.”

You can follow Thomas Chu on Instagram (@thomaschuphoto) or visit his website (thomasksj.tuchong.com) to see his latest works.



Mountains in the orange wash of the first sunlight in southern Greenland.

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JELLY DENG

Designer and All-Round Creative

By Ryan Gandolfo

Jelly (Jialin) Deng knows a thing or two about design. Having studied fine arts among other disciplines in Guangzhou and London, the former Shanghai-based creative designer and strategist has made a living by helping clients around the world deliver holistic brand and multichannel experiences to consumers in China. We chat with Jelly about her work, creative approach and, best of all, food.

As a designer, illustrator, storyteller and event planner, your work in the creative industry sounds by no means monotonous. How did you get started in this line of work?

The artistic part of me was enlightened by my mother's paintings when I was little, and so I started to paint. Painting has trained me to observe the world through different perspectives and to think differently. So naturally, I went to art schools and dove into the creative industry to inspire and help people to solve problems – to make an impact with my work.

One of your early projects – 'Whispery Savoury' – takes a dynamic look into the role that art and science play in gastronomy. What made you interested in this subject?

As a foodie, science lover and designer, I have always been very curious about the relation-

ship between food and our bodies; so, it made sense that my project would be based on these topics.

'Whispery Savoury' was initially inspired by a very intriguing neurological phenomenon known as synesthesia. I have a form of synesthesia called grapheme-color synesthesia, a condition where I perceive individual letters of the alphabet and numbers as 'shaded' or 'tinged' with a color. My experience with this prompted me to query whether our perception of flavor could be extended by any of our other senses, and if so, by what means could our sense of taste be translated into visual, audio or tactile forms.

The shape, size, texture and design of a plate can affect how – and to what extent – we enjoy our food and the entire dining experience. With this in mind, I designed a set of plates as primary visual stimuli. It was the first element in how this project fuses complex integrations such as plate design, sound, gastronomy, cross-modal science, dining experience and more. The combination of these details contributes to a complex multi-sensory feast of art and science.

What differences or similarities have you found working with domestic and overseas companies in terms of creative approach? Which companies – would you say – tend to have more of a 'creative gene'?

Since I have only worked in China and the UK, and the industries are quite different, the comparison might not be that objective. Personally speaking, there has been a tremendous transformation in the Chinese creative industry over the past several years, especially since the boom of China's internet economy. In this fast-paced marketing and consumer environment, Chinese companies have to innovate to stay highly competitive. In this regard, I think that there is no other place with companies as fast, big and radical

as in China nowadays, in terms of creativity. In the UK, by comparison, I feel everything is going more smoothly and systematically. People pay more attention to details, and there are many 'small but beautiful' things.

Shanghai is known for its innovative and creative energy. What prompted your move to the metropolis and how has your work progressed there?

There are definitely more opportunities in a big metropolis – especially in the creative industry. You can always see the newest things and meet the most interesting people there. I came to Shanghai in 2016 because I found a job at a food innovation company. I'm very appreciative that I worked with fascinating teams and could keep doing what I practiced in London here. I'm so excited that what I have done is inspiring to others. I'll be moving to Melbourne at the end of September, and will definitely stick with what I've been doing all these years.

From 'Edible Jewelry' to 'The Future of Snacks,' each of your projects have a level of intrigue that we're curious to learn more about. Would you share with us a project you're excited about?

I have to say both those projects are my favorite. 'Edible Jewelry' tends to be more of an artistic expression and a philosophical way of thinking about life. 'The Future of Snacks' is concerned with people's day-to-day lives and, ultimately, the future. Imagine this: If you time-travel to 2049, and receive a box of snacks – what would be inside? 'The Future of Snacks' explores seven new and delicious snack combinations, bearing in mind the resources and conditions 30 years from now.

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Beauty for All

Riri fans, it's here! The singer's cosmetics line, Fenty Beauty dropped last month, making its first foray into Asia. The collection hit the shelves of various stores across Hong Kong, Macao and South Korea and is also available online at Tmall Global. The wildly popular cosmetics line has been praised for its inclusivity of a wide range of skin tones, which can be summed up by the brand's motto, 'Beauty for All.' Rihanna explained in an Instagram post back in July: "When I launched @fentybeauty in 2017, it was important to me to make sure it was available globally so everyone had access to it." Now you can get that highlight poppin' with her Killawatt Freestyle Highlighters (though South China sweat still suffices) or a juicy pout with the beloved Gloss Bomb Universal Lip Luminizer. While the multi-talented star continues to dominate in fashion and beauty spheres, her music fans are still anxiously waiting for the next album to drop...

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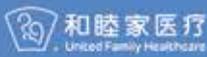
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PENICILLIN

Vocalist Zhang Zhexuan Talks TV Shows, New Album and Brit Influences

By Bryan Grogan



Having been crowned one of *The Big Band*'s hot five bands for the summer, Penicillin are one of the most hyped indie groups in the country right now. Having acted as one of the main contrarians on the show, and being criticized for chewing gum onstage and refusing song revision advice, the band's singer and songwriter Zhang Zhexuan has been both criticized and embraced for not allowing himself to be caught up in the show's hype.

With a brand-spanking new album, *Qunxing Shanyao Shi* (which roughly translates as 'The Star's Shine'), in the bag, and a much-hyped national tour coming up, we took the opportunity to catch up with Zhang to talk about football, Manchester and the band's new music.

What were your musical beginnings? Can you talk about your early bands?

The first time I had a gig, I was in middle school. I was 15 or 16 when I started to write songs. I had begun listening to a lot of Western music, bands like Nirvana and Guns N' Roses. My first band made punk rock music. Punk is easy to play; you just need three chords.

How did you then make the transition to playing Britpop music, and what influence did you take from Manchester music?

I wanted to make something with more feeling, because I felt like punk was too easy. British music always influenced me more because I am a football lover. I'm crazy about football. There were some TV shows on CCTV about sports. Those TV shows had some Beatles songs and some Oasis songs. When I graduated from university in China in 2014, I went to Manchester to study for one year for another degree. '90s Britpop influenced me a lot; bands like Oasis, Stone Roses, The Smiths and Happy Mondays. I love the sound of Manchester.

Penicillin's music has gotten progressively better and more unique. What do you think you guys have added through the years?

I'm the primary songwriter for this band. I was in a pair of bands in 2017, playing guitar for one band called Casino Demon, which had a surf rock, Californian style. In Penicillin, I think the guitar is the most important thing for me; it's the key to my music. We released our second album in September; that's two albums in three years. After that I want to do something new. Now in my music the guitar is very important, but I want to play with keyboards and different sounds, maybe similar to Depeche Mode or Happy Mondays. I want to make dancing music, where the groove and atmosphere is the key.

Could you talk a bit about the new album? Did the success of *The Big Band* make you want to release a new album now?

I wrote all the songs in the past two years, and then we recorded from March to June or July. We had a pair of gigs in Brazil at the start of the year, and began recording it after we got back. About the TV show, those are totally two separate things. The album is made up

of 11 songs. Six using Chinese lyrics and five with English lyrics. English lyrics are the best for rock music I think. The Chinese language is much more complicated and detailed, so I'll choose Chinese lyrics when I want to tell a story.

Could you talk about your experience on *The Big Band*?

The TV show was fun, but I never actually watched any of it except for our performances. I didn't care about all the stories on the show; it's not really rock and roll. It's something that we needed to do. Every country has their own way of doing things. For me, though, making a record is the most important thing, and gigs as well. These are things that a band has to do, but in China it's different. Many musicians need to use the TV show so that more people can learn about them. We did it, and it's finished. We have been selling out venues for the past two years, but this time it's just faster.

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★ OCT 18 ★

Gemini Man

The latest from renaissance man Will Smith sees the 'Fresh Prince' team up with Ang Lee for an intriguing tale about getting old and dealing with identity. Smith plays an aging hitman who is targeted by a younger version of himself. The film is notable in that the CGI effects involved are considered revolutionary. In order to depict a young Will Smith, the effects team were tasked with creating a totally CGI character, whom audiences are asked to believe is human. The Chinese release of the film comes a week after the film hits cinemas in the US.

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“Actually, I didn't know this guy before. I don't know why he has this T-shirt”

King of fashion and former One Direction member Harry Styles was spotted wearing a T-shirt bearing the name of Beijing indie label Space Fruity Records at an Ariana Grande concert in London. Netizen reactions were positive, while label founder Zhai Ruixin was both perplexed and amused by the turn of events. The singer-turned-actor was again spotted wearing the same T-shirt in Italy.



HAO BU HAO



Hao

Among the acts who embarked on European and world music tours in September were Shanghai's SVBKVLT and Beijing-based The Hormones, while Chengdu electronic punk band Stolen will also set out on a European tour with New Order in October. SVBKVLT linked up with the folks at Nyege Nyege Festival, with producer Hyph11e making an appearance on Boiler Room during the festival. The Hormones, on the other hand, hit Europe as their new self-titled album dropped. All of this seems to indicate that Chinese music is becoming more and more popular on the global stage.



Bu Hao

While the arrival of the fantastic Picasso exhibition, *Birth of Genius* at UCCA in Beijing earlier this summer marked a new step forward for large-scale art events in China, we are still hearing stories of fake art shows around the country. According to *Global Times*, an exhibition by the name of *Leonardo and His Outstanding Circle* opened at Central Academy of Fine Arts in Beijing in September, drawing the ire of netizens and art fans. Works included in the exhibition were apparently made by some of Da Vinci's favorite disciples, but have been criticized for being of low quality.



SINO CELEB



Liu Yifei

For Western audiences, the name Liu Yifei perhaps didn't ring a bell before November, 2017 when it was announced that the Chinese actress would play the eponymous heroine of Disney's live-action remake of the 1998 animated film *Mulan*. But, contradictory to her heroic role as Hua Mulan in the upcoming Hollywood movie, Liu's moniker in China is 'Fairy Sister,' bestowed for her compelling portrayals of many delicate characters in Chinese fantasy dramas. Here we give you five fast facts about Liu.

- 1 She's American**
Born in Wuhan, Hubei province, Liu attended school in New York City from the age of 10 to 14, during which period she became a naturalized American citizen.
- 2 Big Screen Head Start**
Having made her mark in Chinese TV series, Liu started appearing in motion pictures in 2008, with her silver screen debut coming in *The Forbidden Kingdom*, in which she acted alongside movie superstars Jet Li and Jackie Chan.
- 3 Worst Actress in China?**
On Douban Movie, the Chinese equivalent of Rotten Tomatoes, Liu has been named the worst Chinese actress of the year three times, and the most disappointing actress once.

- 4 Songbird**
With a diverse repertoire including rap and soft rock music, Liu is also a Mandopop singer, and released her self-titled album back in 2006.
- 5 Cat Lover**
The 32-year-old is a die-hard cat lover, who once kept over 50 stray cats in the backyard of her Beijing house.



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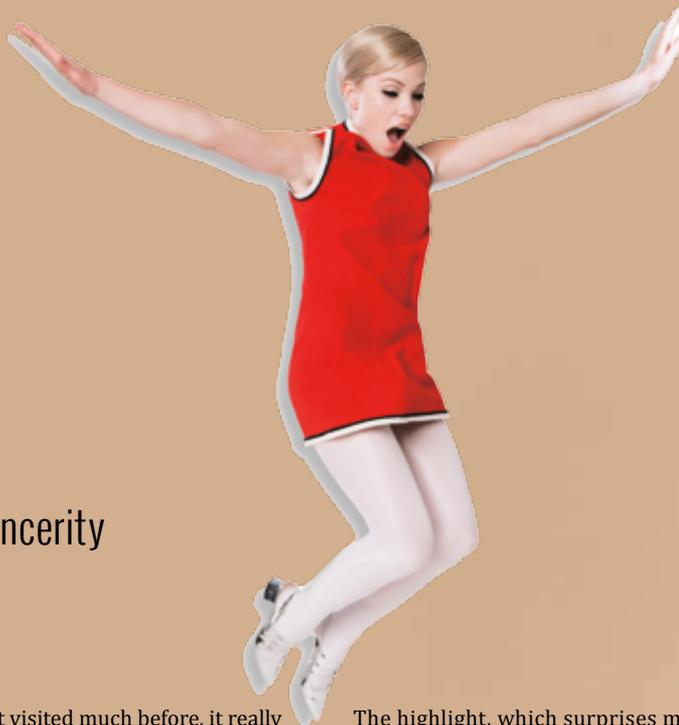
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A Glimpse of Carly Rae Jepsen's Sweet Sincerity

By Noelle Mateer

Talking to Carly Rae Jepsen is like listening to one of her albums: warmth, sweetness, flashes of fun and genuineness throughout. The Canadian pop star writes and performs a brand of pop so unaffected and genuine that it would be embarrassing if performed by anyone else. This has been her trademark since 2015, when her album *Emotion* transformed her from 'Call Me Maybe' girl to a critics' darling with a cult following.

Jepsen performed in China last year as part of the Grammy Festival in Beijing, but returns now for a full tour supporting her latest release, *Dedicated*, an album that adds a layer of sultriness to the standard *Emotion* set ('80s-inspired, so-heart-on-its-sleeve-it's-disarming). Calling in before her show in Edmonton, Canada – she was in an effervescent mood, having just given her baby cousins a tour of the stage – Jepsen discussed sincerity with a bubbly sweetness that proved hers is for real.

Are you looking forward to returning to China?

I cannot wait to come back to China. It's unlike anywhere else I've ever been. In Beijing we went and tried all the food that I'd never tried, and I also got a day off just to walk around. I'm very, very excited to come back.

One thing we noticed at your show in Beijing last year is that a lot of people sang along. Tell us about that experience.

That experience blew my mind. All of us were like, "We had no idea anyone would know who we are, let alone the music!" Being in a

place I hadn't visited much before, it really warmed my heart to know that people had listened to the album and showed up ready to party with us.

Is singability something you think about when writing songs?

Um, no, not exactly. I definitely think when it comes to pop as a category of music, you're trying to find something that's catchy and hooky and gets stuck in your head. Something that you can relate to on a level that hopefully everyone connects to. I'm thinking about those things, but I'm not necessarily thinking of whether it's easy to sing or not.

How is the *Dedicated* tour different from tours you've done in the past?

I think my confidence has grown a bit, just as a performer, I'm glad to say. The first time I opened for Justin Bieber, I was still wondering, like, Where does one put their arms? *What do I do up here?!* It's taken years of trial and error and being on the road touring *Emotion* very heavily to get to a place of comfort with it. But by the time this album came around, I was really hungry to be back onstage.

You've done a decent chunk of your tour for *Dedicated* already. How's that going? Are there any songs in particular the crowds are responding to?

It's been the most enjoyable tour of my life so far, just getting to have two albums' worth of material to play through with *Emotion* and *Dedicated* now, which fit together better than I thought they would.

The highlight, which surprises me, is that 'Want You In My Room' [the high-energy '80s jam produced by Jack Antonoff] gets a really great reaction.

You draw so much inspiration from the '80s. What is it about that decade that inspires you so much?

It's a time of really heartfelt music. It's really emotional and everything's dramatic and over-the-top and fantastical. I write that way naturally myself. When I discovered that I could play in that era a bit, and pull some of the retro-ness out of there and twist it into a new thing, I was really excited.

Given we're in 2019, how do you see your music fitting within today's pop landscape?

You know, I don't worry too much about that. I think as long as any artist is making music that they're attracted to naturally, there's going to be a crowd that finds them. I long ago stopped thinking of writing as this competitive sport where you're trying to think of what's next or what's fresh. I just want to offer something fresh in the arena that I play in, taking retro styles and reworking them so there's still a modern twist to it, so that it's authentically my own.

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HOUSE OF SAND

Open Architecture's Li Hu on Sustainable Measures Adopted at UCCA Dune

By Bryan Grogan

In recent years China has become a world leader in innovative and stylish architecture. Nowhere is that more obvious than in the way galleries and art museums are using sustainable methods and repurposing old and unused buildings and natural landscapes for new spaces.

One excellent recent example of construction that has been used to protect endangered natural landscapes is Ullens Center for Contemporary Art Dune Museum (UCCA Dune) in Qinhuangdao in coastal Hebei province. Built into and beneath a sand dune on the beaches at Beidaihe district, the site is actually the home of "one of the few remaining un-destroyed dunes in northern China," according to founding partner of Open Architecture, Li Hu.

Li's firm Open Architecture, also known for its work at TANK Shanghai, designed and built UCCA Dune over the course of three years from 2015 until 2018. Initially given the freedom to choose a site in the area of a natural beach, Li was inspired by a dune that he came across when visiting the beaches at Beidaihe.

"People do not really understand the important ecological function of the dune; to protect the very vulnerable ocean ecology. Most of the dunes have been leveled to make space for seaside developments," he tells us. The site, which now resembles a patchwork of buildings, tunnels and passageways protruding from the sand (like a child's sandbox) was delicately primed in order for construction.



"We adopted a series of sustainable and energy-saving strategies in order to protect the fragile ecology of the dune," Li says, explaining the process. "For instance, the thick layer of concrete shell was constructed as the thermal mass. Together with the sand and plants that cover the top of the space, which also perform as good thermal insulation, we are able to save extra energy consumption for keeping the gallery a temperature-consistent space. The glass facade is designed to be deeply recessed, and therefore is naturally shaded from the heat."

The firm's innovative methods of construction also lessened the need for man-made objects that might disturb the native ecology. The finished space resembles something almost mystical, an ancient type of building set beneath the Earth, playing on natural solar and lunar phenomena. We raise the question of lighting with Li and he is in agreement.

"We sought to achieve a balance of light and darkness in order to create a sublime character of the museum, a museum as a sanctuary for nature and art; on the other hand, in certain parts of the museum, we deliberately crafted out a contrast of light and darkness, to give visitors a rich sensual experience and a playful journey," he says, before going on to describe UCCA Dune's interior. "For instance, the entrance consists of a long dark tunnel and a small reception area. As you walk through this dark tunnel, you will enter the largest multifunctional gallery where the space suddenly opens up, and you can see a beam of daylight which fills the space with brightness from the skylight above. The audiences taking the spiral staircase to the outdoors will experience walking from the dark recesses below towards the vast openness above."

Li goes on to say that an integral part of Open Architecture's work involves tying nature and humanity together. He brings up



TANK Shanghai as an example. The project, also undertaken by Open Architecture, makes use of five abandoned aviation fuel tanks on the coast of the Huangpu river in Xuhui district, transforming them into huge art spaces which are connected by a public park.

"Nature is not just for looking. It should not be used in architectural projects as merely a decoration, or a skin job. More importantly, it is crucial for architects to establish a real connection between nature and humanity in the space they create," he says, speaking on the importance of integrating nature in a genuine way. "The building has to belong there, like bonding with the site, and we need to find a deep connection to the site."



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Three New Homegrown Albums on Our Radar This Month

By Bryan Grogan

Eye by Chui Wan

Following up on what was essentially one of the best Chinese releases of 2017, in *The Landscape the Tropics Never Had*, is no easy task. Chui Wan escaped to Lisbon, Portugal to record their fourth studio album, *Eye*, and the lyrics drip with nostalgia and an appreciation for nature. With 10 tracks to wrap your ears around, the album opens with 'Sun,' which irradiates a cluttered brightness via its use of upbeat guitar lines and a strong syncopated percussive beat. We even hear what sounds like a flute and some horns in there for a few seconds. It is a re-sounding statement of departure for a band who have been so heavily associated with the grey bleakness of industry and noise. Throughout the album Yan Yulong stretches his vocals, dancing along falsetto notes on tracks like 'Gentle Binding Love.' The title track 'Eye' experiments with some good old-fashioned '60s psychedelia, using a *taishokoto*, as it is known in East Africa (or a Nagoya harp in Japan). Blending together the sitar-like sounds of this stringed instrument with congas and intense droning vocals, 'Eye' reveals Chui Wan's ardent admiration for psychedelic music.

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Walking in a Boundless Dream by Guzz

Hainan producer Guzz returns with another fascinating, mesmeric album. Continuing his exploration of Asian music, *Walking in a Boundless Dream* is his second full-length album after *An Elephant in the Jungle*. Guzz manages to capture a lot of what fascinates about Southeast Asia, with its forests, mountains and breathtaking natural landscapes. He draws us in via his idiosyncratic use of percussion as heard on 'Time River,' which is a sensuous representation of a floating voyage. Guzz seems to replicate the buzzing sounds of cicadas and insects, while describing the creeping atmosphere of the riverside. Elsewhere in the album, 'Sky Tree' relies on woodwind instruments, which are set over a steady drone, allowing the music to float upwards. This album is, quite simply, magical and a must for your next meditation session.

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Slip B by Slikback & Hyph11E

Part of the first wave of collaborations between Shanghai label SVBKVLT and Ugandan collective Nyege Nyege Tapes/Hakuna Kulala, this release matches two very unique producers in Kenyan Slikback and the Shanghai-based Hyph11E. Locked away together for three intense days, the pair came up with three tracks and one remix each of the other's music. The EP opens with characteristic intensity on 'ISHU.' Percussion is intoxicating and disorienting, while haunting atmospherics play in the background of the track. It's a good primer for what is to come, as Slikback's thumping rhythms combine interestingly with Hyph11E's penchant for industrial effects, as on 'SHIMIAN,' where tribal drums are distorted and garbled. 'USINGIZI' offers more of what we might call arhythmic rhythm, with the track breaking down at points into misty feedback and at other times resembling the sound of an angry buzzsaw. Hyph11E's remix of Slikback's 'RAGE' offers a fascinating insight into the Chinese producer's interpretation of, and appreciation for, Slikback's super intense percussion-based tunes. Similarly, Slikback peels back layers of Hyph11E's production on 'Black Pepper.' We're excited for whatever comes next for these two fantastic collectives.

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HEALING ROOTS

Yehaiyahan Delves Into Her Background, Her Musical Journey and Her Own Brand of Creativity

By Bryan Grogan



Yehaiyahan has gone through many evolutions in her career as a musician. Beginning her musical life as a singer in a variety of projects, she joined Uprooted Sunshine in Shanghai in 2007 and learned the trade of being an MC, a host and a freestyler under her longtime performative moniker, Cha Cha.

As Cha Cha, her music spread far and wide throughout China, Asia and the world, via her multitude of collaborations, including as part of the duo Am444 with Jay Soul, which brought the pair global recognition after one of their songs was included in *NBA2K16*.

In the past few years, she has been working on establishing herself as a producer and a songwriter under a pair of very different projects, Faded Ghost and Yehaiyahan. With Faded Ghost, she became the first artist to release on Shanghai label SVBKVLT, while the story behind the Yehaiyahan project has always been about renewal, connection and creativity.

A big part of her artistic identity now relates to her roots, and specifically her upbringing in a mountainside town in Guizhou. "I still don't quite feel like I'm a person who belongs in a city. When I go back to the mountain and to nature I feel much more comfortable," she says, softly and thoughtfully. "My reasons for doing things are sometimes quite different from people who live in the city. Where I come from shaped me. The way I write melodies and the way I write lyrics, many different details, made me realize that it all must come from somewhere. We all read similar books and we all go travel in

similar places, and we share common friends but some things make you different. I realized it's where I come from, the seeds that were buried inside of me since I was a child."

She explores and maintains a connection with these roots in different ways. For example, she'll join her friend Howie Lee on a China tour for two dates in Guizhou in November. She has also documented previous shows through the province on video, and returns as often as she can.

The story of Yehaiyahan began at the start of 2018, with her mind full of ideas for this new project and new ways of making music and performing. Her work under the new alias is rooted in hip hop, R&B and beat-making, but more specifically songwriting and singing. She joined the folks behind popular LA hip hop night Low End Theory, at *Vice's* New Year Party in Arkham, which presented an opportune encounter. "That was the first time I met Daddy Kev and that was the very beginning of my Yehaiyahan project. I had some basic structures of how I wanted to perform live and make music, so that show was my first-ever Yehaiyahan gig, and he was really interested in it," she explains.

It marked the beginning of a friendship with Low End Theory founder and Alpha Pup Records owner Daddy Kev, who she met once again at Radii China's china.wave show in LA in May of this year, this time taking to the stage as Faded Ghost. The pair had a chat, she revealed that she had a Yehaiyahan release coming up, and the decision was made to release her first album, *Under the Moonlight*, on the LA-based label.

"The most interesting part for me is that

I love the label and all the artists and I think their audience would be my target audience." The decision to release was also in part an experiment to see how English-speaking audiences would interact with her sound. "I think for non-English language content, it's still difficult," she says. "I'm still learning what would be the best way to release my music. After this, I think I would prefer to run my own music."

While that first album, *Under the Moonlight*, dropped in the middle of August, it had been ready for a year before being released. To us, the album is dripping with laid-back funk, electrified soul and splashes of trip hop. Looking back, Yehaiyahan thinks, "I was too rushed; I didn't give it enough space to be more free, to go off more. I was still a little bit safe," a verdict we think is certainly too harsh, though she goes on to say, "I like that about an album though, it documents that period of time, the way you are thinking or the way you are making music, so you can look back to find out certain things. When I listen back now, I realize I was too hurried to make it happen."

She's already on to the next one, while she's also building up a band to join her in her live shows and on tour. "So far, I have a bass player, a drummer and a keyboard player who can also play guitar and do the programming. So, four of us is big enough and easy to move. That's my big plan for next year."



Listen to 'Under the Moonlight' by scanning the QR code:



INTO THE DARK ABYSS

EXPLORING SOUTH CHINA'S EXPANSIVE UNDERGROUND RIVER SYSTEM

Words by Matthew Bossons, images via Rachel Berkley, Cara Chu Wai-ching, Vincent Lou

On June 23, 2018, 12 young Thai boys and their assistant football coach wandered into a karst cave in northern Thailand, near the border with Myanmar. What happened next would captivate the world and lead to a complex and daring international rescue operation: The 10.3-kilometer-long Tham Luang cave flooded, trapping the boys in total blackness nearly 2.5 kilometers from the cave entrance.

Thousands of people from around the globe participated in the rescue effort, including military personnel, medical experts and – the rock stars of the operation – cave divers. The divers, who safely removed all of the Thai children and their coach after 18 days underground, dealt with tight spaces and low visibility in muddy water – conditions that would prove deadly: Saman Gunan, a former Thai Navy Seal, died while transporting air tanks into the cave.

While the sport of cave diving had received attention in the pop culture sphere prior to the rescue mission in North Thailand (see 2011's *Sanctum* for reference), there is little doubt that the brave divers at Tham Luang cave helped thrust the activity and its myriad risks into global society's collective psyche.

The sport – often referred to as among the world's most dangerous recreational activities – has its roots in pre-WWII England. Since then, the recreational practice of cave diving, described by Australian cave explorer Richard Harris (a participant in the Tham Luang cave rescue) as an “unusual hobby” for “ordinary blokes,” has spread around the world – China included.

Over 1,000 kilometers northeast of Tham Luang cave, in South China's Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, lies karst peak-covered Du'an county – China's little-known cave diving mecca.

Home to thousands of kilometers of subterranean rivers, Du'an county offers divers spellbinding geological formations, perhaps the world's largest collection of blind fish species and a rare variety of freshwater jellyfish.

In the following pages, journey with us into underwater China and meet the folks exploring and documenting China's spectacular underground river system.





UNDERWATER CHINA



In Guangxi alone, it is estimated that there are more than 10,000 kilometers of underground rivers



Located less than two hours from Guangxi's capital city of Nanning, Du'an county is unquestionably remote and underdeveloped. Home to less than a million people, life here certainly moves slower than China's larger metropolises. While researching for this article, the most recent English-language Du'an headline I came across was a Xinhua headline from late July that notes the county now has 3,583 kilometers of roads. Exciting stuff.

What the region lacks in electrifying headlines, however, it more than makes up for with its natural scenery. Home to the same stunning karst formations that run through Guizhou, Guangdong and into Southeast Asia, Du'an is an equally beautiful and far less touristy alternative to the world-famous Yangshuo. But it's what's under the ground that attracts a certain subset of modern-day explorers – cave divers.

Like much of South China's karst-covered landscape, Du'an county (and Guangxi at large) is littered with caves, sinkholes and fissures. Many of these caves and underground geological formations are filled with water – running rivers, to be exact.

"The water is flowing and, in some caves you go into, the current is quite strong. In others it is very calm," says Rachel Berkley, a director and underwater cinematographer who filmed in the Du'an caves for an upcoming documentary series titled *Underwater China*. "In Guangxi alone, it is estimated that there are more than 10,000 kilometers of underground rivers."

Berkley, a longtime Shanghai resident who is a PADI scuba diving instructor and PSAI cave diver, first became involved with the *Underwater China* team over a year and a half ago. When deciding what to feature in the first episode, the production team landed on

China's underground river system – and for good reason.

"The underwater cave formations in southern China are not only some of the most beautiful in the world – eerie and dark and winding, but they're also home to some of the clearest water in China," Berkley tells me. "That is why we decided to feature the caves for the show."

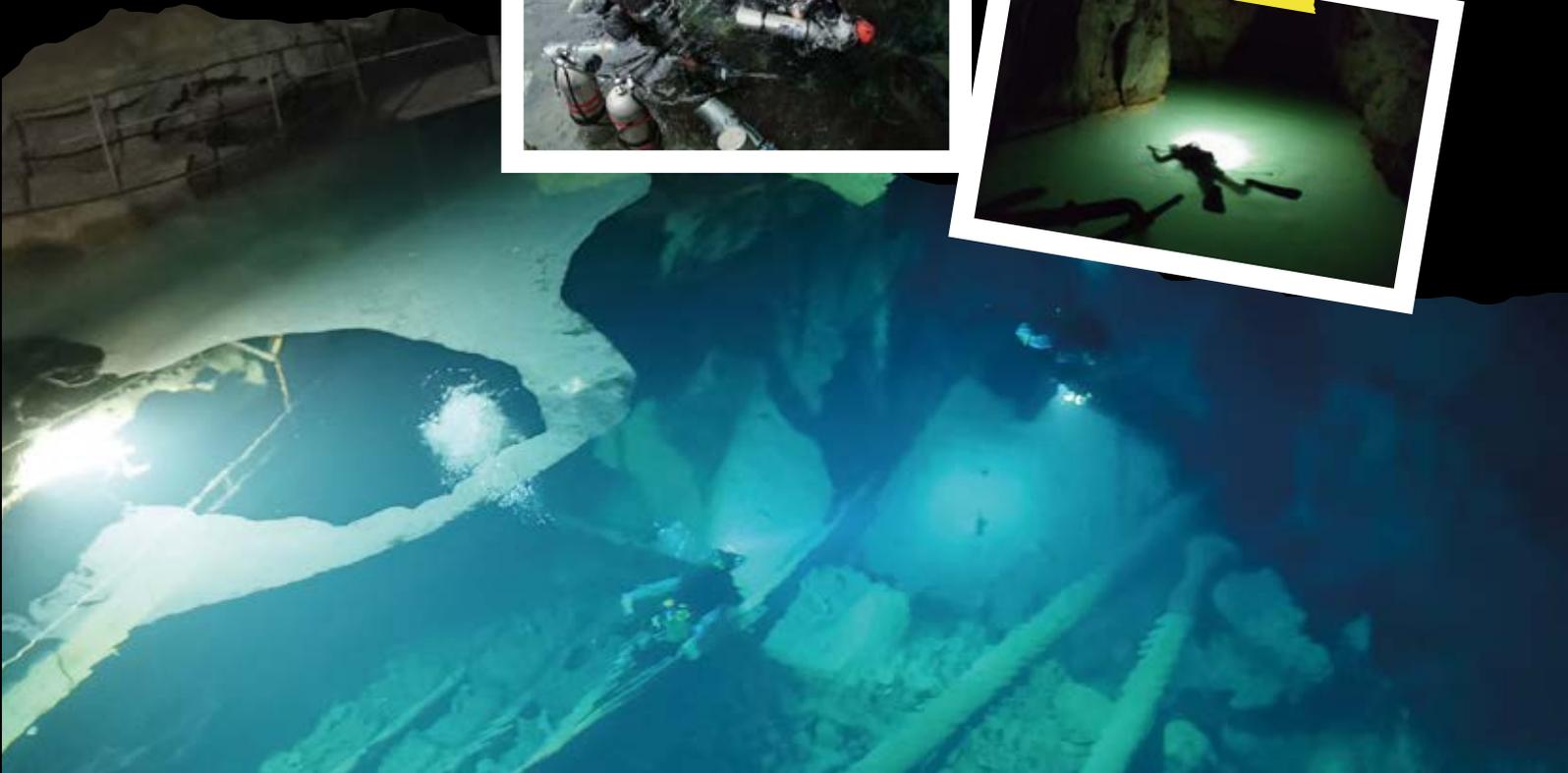
Cave diving in Du'an began back in the 1970s, when a group of Russian divers visited the area to check out the underground rivers. They were followed by a group of Brits in the late '80s, according to locals I spoke with. But the exploration of the area's underwater world began in earnest in 2011, when a team of French divers arrived in Du'an.

"The first real mapping of the caves, and dedication to exploring the caves as cave diving sites, was from the French team," says Berkley.

The French team first arrived in 2011, after being informed of the caves' existence by French caver Jean Botazzi, who was living and working in China at the time.

"He sent [us] some pictures. But the guy who organized everything was Sebastien Lissarrague," French cave diver Pierre-Eric Deseigne tells me via email. "Without him, nothing would have happened. He organized the first two expeditions."

The French team split into two groups and made alternating return visits in 2012, 2013 and 2014.



FINDING FOOTPRINTS OF THE PAST



The journey from Flag Blue dive shop, which is located in Du'an's Anyang town, to the Jiudun cave site takes just shy of an hour. It's a drive that is unquestionably scenic, with karst peaks, lush green vegetation and small villages scattered along the route.

The Jiudun site is composed of three underwater caves: The North Cave and South Cave, both of which are extremely deep, and a shallower, shorter cave, which is only about 16 meters at its deepest penetrable point.

When we arrive at Jiudun, the site is largely deserted. Wei Le, a diver, driver and all-round handyman for Flag Blue, backs the dive shop's pickup truck towards the large pond that serves as the entrance to all three caves. We unload our gear and suit up.

Han Ting, affectionally referred to by his students, peers and friends as 'Lao Mao,' is my guide and the leader of the dive. Originally from Hangzhou, Han is considered by many to be among China's top tier of cave divers. Berkley, when pressed on Han's credentials, tells me "he's a leader in the industry." Recruited by the local government in Du'an back in 2015, Han runs the county's only dive center – a job he secured due to his underwater cave exploration in the United States and his experience in Mexico's famed cenotes.

"The local government talked to many divers [about managing the dive center] and eventually they found me," says Han. "We talked things through and they thought that I was the person to do it, so they invited me to come and set up here."

Inside the large pond above the Jiudun caves, Han runs me through buoyancy exercises, line drills and light signals. After about 20 minutes, we head into the shallower of the caves.

Visibility inside is about 10 meters, by my best estimate, maybe slightly less. The lights attached to Han's red hardhat, along with the flashlight I carry, illuminate the path in front of us – the dull, green glow of the cave's entrance fading as we move towards the end of the underwater chamber. Stalactites jut from the rock roof above us, and Han occasionally shines his light on interesting geological formations hidden in the darkness.

Upon reaching the end of the cave (the chamber does continue, although it is far too narrow for a diver to traverse), we turn around and Han trails me as I follow the guideline he laid back to the entrance.

According to research papers provided by Berkley, the underwater river system, which has been flowing for 270 million years, and the carbonate formations from Paleozoic ocean deposits are responsible for forming Du'an's spectacular karst formations and caves.

As a result of their primeval origin, some of the caves possess true treasures from our planet's past: Tunlie cave, otherwise known as 'the fossil cave,' contains a broad array of prehistoric fossils of aquatic creatures dating back to the Devonian Period (roughly 419.2 million to 358.9 million years ago). While filming for *Underwater China*, Berkley filmed and photographed in Tunlie and, hoping to learn more about the fossilized sea life, she posted her finds in a fossil forum, looking for feedback from experts.

"I got sent all these research papers from different paleontologists, and from

what we can tell, those fossils should have been formed during the Devonian Period," Berkley tells me. "So, the Devonian Period was called the 'Age of Fish,' because this is when bony fish began to flourish and the world was mostly underwater.

"I found a map of China during the Devonian Period and you just have little islands in what is now South China – so most of Guangxi was underwater and that is where these fossils came from."

Tunlie cave is the second dive site of the day for Han and myself. The entrance to the submerged chamber is located in a recess on a rocky hillside near a small village and entering the water requires us to climb down a metal ladder bolted into the rock. Our equipment – tanks, regulators and buoyancy control devices (BCD) – are lowered into the water-filled hole by Wei using a rope and climbing carabiners.

As on our previous cave penetration, Han leads the way, his headlights cutting through the all-consuming darkness as we follow a pre-set guideline into the bowels of the stone passageway.

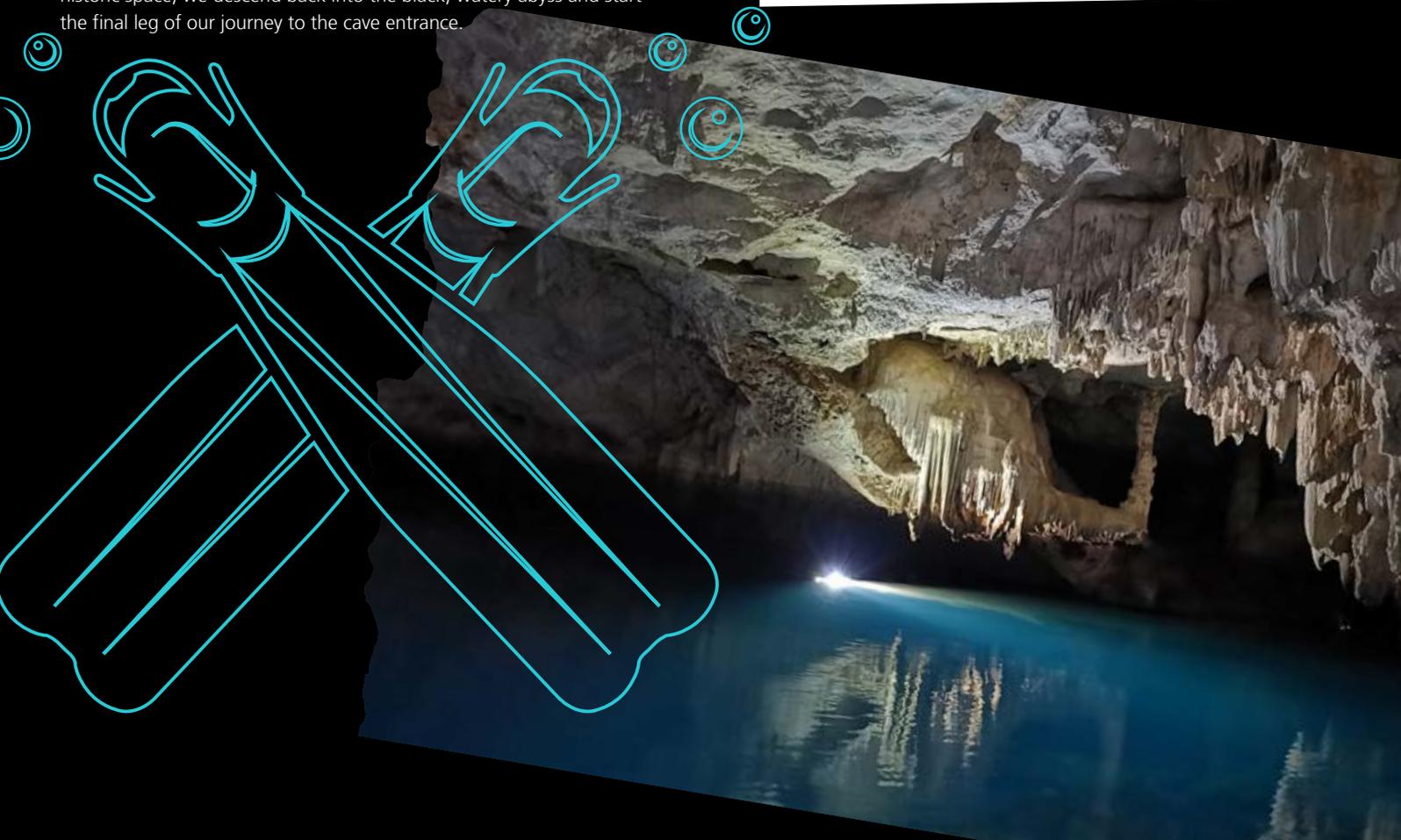
The green glow of light from the entrance quickly dims behind us until it is just a dot in the distance. This time we go deeper, quickly descending to 10, then 20 and then 30 meters. On our left, a smorgasbord of rock ledges, stalactites, cracks, fossils and other geological formations emerge while below us our lights reveal that the cave's bottom is entirely out of sight – shrouded in a seemingly impenetrable blackness.

It's at around the 20- to 30-meter mark that fossils begin to become visible in the limestone walls. Han waves his flashlight in my direction and then points out a beautifully preserved shell fossil that is comparable in size to a dinner plate.

We continue our descent until reaching 36 meters, at which point we begin ascending to an air pocket inside the cave.

"Don't breathe the air in here too long," Han tells me upon surfacing inside the subterranean air pocket. "Try to use your regulator to breath, we don't know the quality of the air in here." He points out roots from a tree above ground that have crept through the dirt and stone to access the cool, clean water in the cave.

After a few moments of taking in the natural wonder of the pre-historic space, we descend back into the black, watery abyss and start the final leg of our journey to the cave entrance.





While the interior of Du'an's caves may appear dark, cramped and barren on first look, they are home to a diverse array of lifeforms.

"China, as far as they can tell, has the world's highest concentration of blind fish species, but no one really knows how many exist because the only way that they've been able to research these blind fish species is by examining what local farmers catch while fishing in the cave openings," says Berkley. "During my research I found that China has around three times as many blind fish species as the next location, which is Mexico."

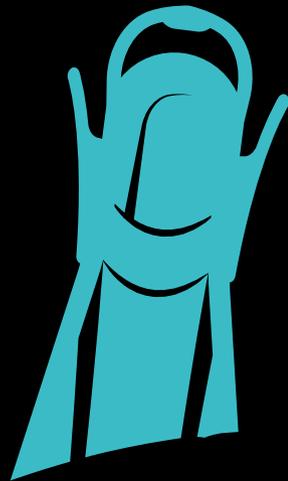
And fish there are. During my soirees through Jiudun and Tunlie, small fish, ranging from a few centimeters in length to upwards of 20 centimeters, are seen inside the caves, darting in front of our lights at random. In the cave entrances, fish occasionally jump from the water – particularly at Jiudun, where more than a couple large fish break the water's surface while we are setting up our gear.

A few of the caves are also home to a species of freshwater jellyfish that is native to China, the peach blossom jellyfish.

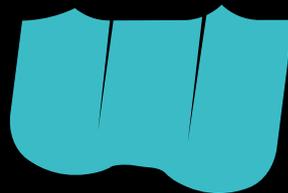
"These jellyfish are rare because they're very sensitive and can only live in very specific water temperatures and pH levels. So, when you find these jellyfish, it means that the water is generally quite clean," Berkley tells me. "People get very excited to find these types of jellyfish, because they are native to China. So, when they were discovered in Du'an years ago, the local government was super excited about it."

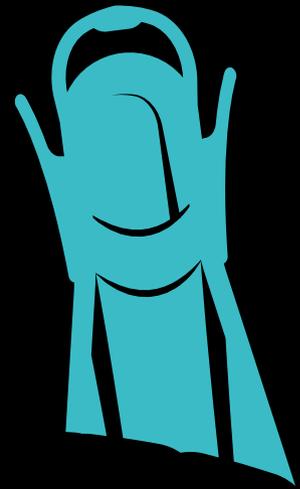
Local lore in Du'an attributes more than aquatic life to these caves, though: The local Bunu Yaozu people hold longstanding religious beliefs associated with the underground rivers.

According to the documents provided by Berkley, the Yao people have lived in the mountainous regions of South China since the Shang Dynasty. The Bunu Yao are a subgroup of



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this ethnicity and have long believed in a mother goddess known as Miluotuo, who is credited with creating human beings along with a whole host of gods. There is a water god, a mountain god, an earth god and, among myriad others, a god for the underwater river system.

Curious about the local folk religions, I question Han and Wei – who is a member of the Zhuang minority – on the long drive back to the dive center from Tunlie cave.

“Yes,” answers Han when I ask whether the locals have spiritual beliefs tied to the caves. “A lot of local superstitions are related to the caves. People here believe that each cave has a fairy.”

Wei then elaborates: “They aren’t really fairies; the locals believe that every cave has a rhinoceros inside, white rhinos. They are good luck in local cultural practice.”

Han goes on to explain that villagers living near some of the caves are wary of foreign divers entering their local underground rivers – fearful that they may steal the cave’s ‘white rhino.’

“They think that the foreign divers, they have some devices that can enlarge or shrink the rhino and steal it,” Wei adds.

The following day, I sit down for dinner with Yu Fei, a local restaurant owner and member of the Yao minority, in

Anyang to chat about the caves and the area’s culture. Over barbecued lamb ribs and bowls filled with a local corn-based booze, I ask her about the cave rhinos.

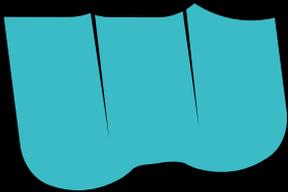
“Yes,” she tells me, confirming the local belief, “this is the legend of the old people.”

There are other, more modern legends associated with the caves as well. In one Du’an village, there is a story about a group of bandits who terrorized the area in the 1950s, robbing and killing people before tossing their bodies into a nearby flooded cave. Han and his team have looked for human bones while diving in the cave, but ultimately came up empty handed.

“We didn’t find anything,” says Han. “We’ve only found animal bones in the caves, cows, bulls, birds, bats and snake bones.”



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DEAD MAN DIVING



As with any sport, there are records to be broken in cave diving and depth of dive is often the most talked about.

"The deepest dive I have done in the caves is 150 meters," says Han. "The local record is 212 meters and was set by an Australian diver named Richard Harris, he was involved in the Thai cave rescue."

But, with great reward comes great risks, and sometimes divers who undertake deep dives in confined spaces do not live to tell the tale.

Since cave diving began in Du'an, there has been one known fatality, which occurred back in 2014 in the North Cave of Jiudun. Two divers, both Chinese nationals, were attempting to set a record in the cave, according to Han, but at least one of them was not experienced

enough to safely execute the dive plan.

"The deepest dive [the deceased man] had ever done before was 120 meters and they tried to go to 170 meters in a cave," says Han. "He had done a couple of 100-meter dives in open water and a 120-meter dive in a cave, so he didn't have the experience."

Sadly, and perhaps predictably, tragedy struck: The inexperienced cave diver died during the dive, and his body had to be retrieved by a French cave diving team.

"About the Du'an accident, the lack of experience of the divers and the too-ambitious goal were the cause of the fatality," says Deseigne. "Our team [recovered] the body of the diver. Sad story."

According to the Cave Diving Group, the representative body for



cave divers in the United Kingdom, there were nine cave diver deaths between 1980 and 2005, with “the overall fatality rate for all dives ... estimated at 1 in 3,286 dives.” The organization’s website notes that experience is the key variable in the deaths, and that “an experienced diver is estimated to be 25 times more likely to survive a dive than an inexperienced diver.”

In the years since this tragic accident, though, Du’an has avoided any further cave diving fatalities, something that many China-based divers and Du’an locals seem to attribute to Flag Blue dive center and Han’s professionalism and commitment to safety.

“[Cave diving] is absolutely risky, and Guangxi is very fortunate that there haven’t been more fatalities and that the diving community

– Lao Mao and his group – are very responsible divers,” says Berkley, who was trained in cave diving with Han and dove extensively with him during filming for *Underwater China*.

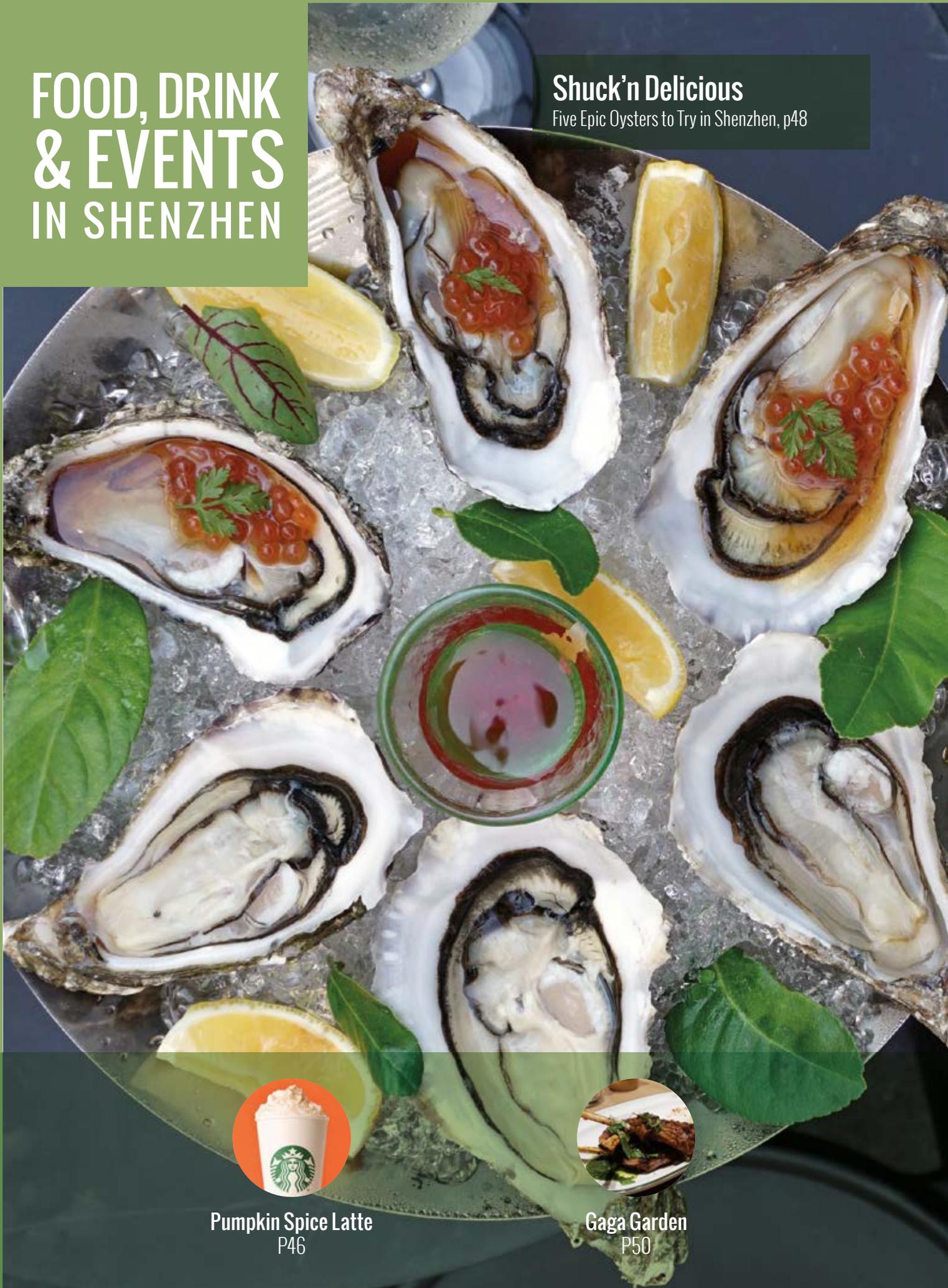
“That death in the Guangxi caves was the exception, not the rule. In general, divers in Guangxi are very responsible and have had very few problems.”

If you found this story interesting, keep an eye on iQiyi for *Underwater China*, which will be available online in the coming weeks. For more information about Du’an’s Flag Blue dive center, email ting@flagblue.cn or grecohan@gmail.com

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SUNMAI OOLONG IPA

Brewed to a Tea

By Ryan Gandolfo

Craft beer meets one of China's traditional teas this month as we sample Sunmai brewery's oolong IPA. As fans of 'black dragon' tea, we were stoked to find these suds on the shelves of our local Hema supermarket, standing out among a crowded and ever-growing selection of craft beers.

At 5.7% ABV, this tea-infused brew has a session IPA vibe, offering malty and sweet notes with a slight oolong tea flavor. With a dirty golden color and a pleasant fragrance from bottle to glass, we're pretty high on Sunmai's tea-flavored craft beer.

Since it is less bitter than the myriad American-style IPAs on the market, oolong IPA is a great choice for beer-lovers of every stripe; tea drinkers, on the other hand, might not love this boozy concoction.

One look at the bottle and you'd notice the statue of liberty gracing the beer's colorful label, with oolong tea leaves surrounding the iconic US sculpture, which was gifted by the French in the late 19th century. The

label also includes a Chinese phrase, which loosely translates to "Oolong steeped in New York."

But of course, anyone familiar with the Taiwan-based brewery would know that it has been churning out decent suds since 2004. While we'd be quick to recommend giving the oolong IPA a try, Sunmai is arguably best known for their honey lager – a premium craft beer made with 100% Taiwan-produced *longan* honey. This also isn't the brewery's only venture into tea-based craft beers, with their osmanthus ale receiving much respect for its fragrant aroma and unique taste.

Oolong IPA can be purchased on Taobao for RMB149 per six-pack.



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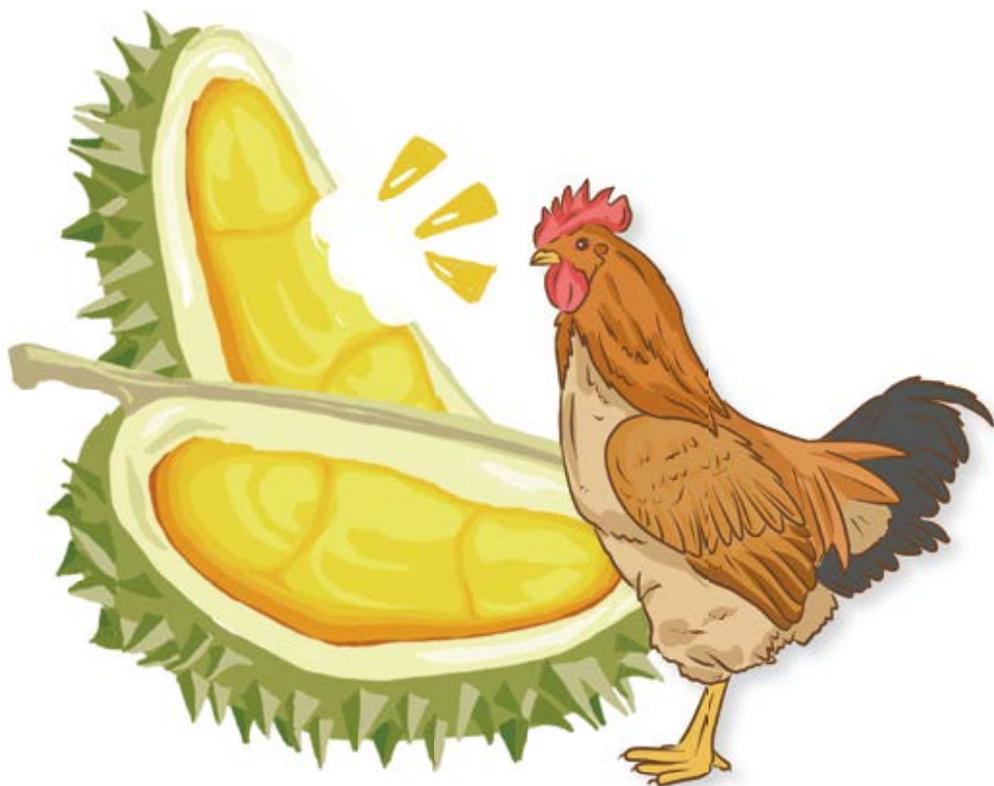


The introductory cocktail workshops at **Compass Cafe** and **Magpie**; pumpkin spice lattes at **Starbucks**; opening of **Ensue** from three-star Michelin chef Christopher Kotow; and the new menu at **Tequila Coyotes**, yum!

We're done with:



Durian season and KFC's new kooky durian-nugget creation; the Baishizhou eviction, which has resulted in the relocation of popular local breweries; renovations at **George & Dragon**; and the temporary closure of legendary burger purveyor **Starling** at Jiaochangwei Beach.



WE TRY IT

Durian Chicken Nuggets

We have to admit: Staying up-to-date on KFC China's newest menu items is entertaining to say the least. Their latest deviation from the colonel's classic food items? Durian chicken nuggets.

We decided to give the tropical fruit-filled nuggets a try, swinging by a jam-packed KFC outlet during a weekday lunch rush. (It's worth noting that the nuggets did not appear on our nearby KFC's menu list on Meituan-Dianping.) The chain has two options available for those looking to get a dose of durian and poultry: A four-piece pack for RMB11.5 and a five-item basket (including the durian nuggets) for RMB39. We opted for the four-piece set.

Before we even opened the box, the smell of durian wafted in the air, hitting our nostrils as if to say 'proceed with caution.' (We're admittedly not the biggest fans of the fruit.)

However, the nuggets looked like the classic version, with a golden-colored exterior that was fried to a crisp. A bite into the nugget revealed a scantily gooey interior of durian paste, which was surprisingly well masked by the crispy, oily flavor of the chicken.

Largely overpowered by the fried coating, KFC's durian nuggets are very much palatable, even for those opposed to Southeast Asia's 'king of fruit.' However, if you were looking for a bolder durian flavor, this KFC creation simply won't cut it.

Would we order it again? Not likely, as we suspect it won't be around the next time we pay Colonel Sanders a visit.

Who's eating them: not us again
Price: RMB11.5 (four-piece pack)

WHAT'S ON WAIMAI

Be Bright Caffe

How many times have you told yourself that the start of a new week means 'eating healthy,' yet cheap *waimai* options always lure you back in?

When we stumbled across Be Bright Caffe on Meituan, we praised the takeout gods for the price, value and quality of this option. Be Bright Caffe has locations in both Guangzhou and Shenzhen and the bulk of their menu consists of salads, pastas and coffee. The most popular item on the menu is the avocado smoked salmon salad (RMB48) so we decided to trust the reviewers and give it a go.

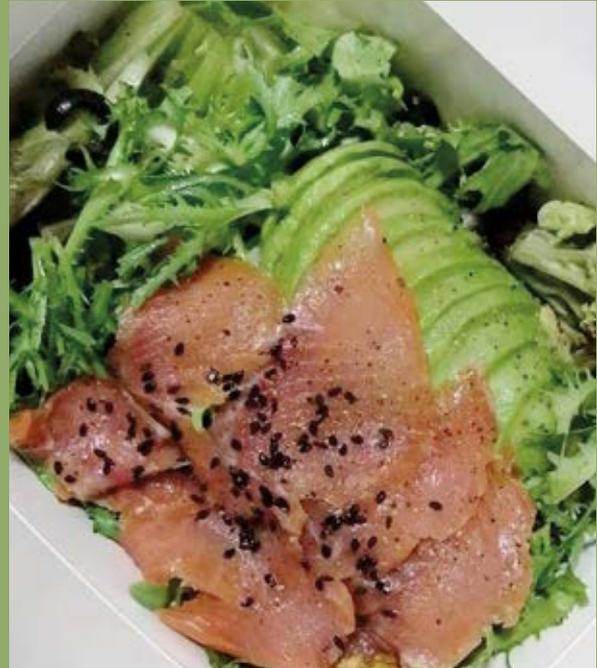
The salad arrived with dressing on the side and quite frankly we were surprised by the large portion. The store doesn't skimp on avocado nor smoked salmon and there's heaps of lettuce underneath (and a few nuts tossed in). The dressing is a lemony, tahini-based concoction which nicely offsets the smoked salmon's fishy flavor.

Price: RMB28-48

Good for: superfood salads

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Available on: Meituan



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SHUCK'N DELICIOUS

Five Epic Oysters to Try in Shenzhen

By Phoebe Kut

This ain't your local buck-a-shuck, Shenzheners, these are some of the city's most decadent and bossed-up oysters.



WANN LOUNGE

Origin: Canada
Type: Topped with Sea Urchin and French Caviar
Price: RMB118

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Topped with a generous portion of sea urchin and French caviar, this West Coast Canadian oyster is sweet and light in taste. The reduction is made from skipjack fish, Japanese algae, honey and lemon and complements the sweetness of the oyster.



WANN LOUNGE

Origin: Canada
Type: Mixed with Tuna, Avocado and French Caviar
Price: RMB118

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Instead of slurping your oyster, nibble on this fine medley of flavors served on a half shell. Diced raw oyster is tossed with tuna, avocado, French caviar and some wasabi to give it a kick.



OYOYSTER

Origin: France
Type: Roland Lambert
Price: RMB43

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This oyster is massive. A meaty mollusk, be sure to squeeze some extra lemon and tabasco on this big boy to balance out the essence of the ocean.



OYOYSTER

Origin: France
Type: Salmon Roe Ponzu
Price: RMB40

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An intense salty pairing of salmon roe and oyster, for those who like a briny hit.



COMPASS CAFE

Origin: France
Type: Citrus Soy and *Ikura*
Price: RMB58

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A Japanese twist on the delicacy, the tart citrus soy provides a zesty accent to the briny lush *ikura*.



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GAGA GARDEN

Satisfying, Simple and Just Right

By Phoebe Kut



The Place

Your friendly neighborhood hangout. That is the ethos Gaga Garden evokes, an urban oasis which serves up Western favorites at a fair price. The eatery is a new concept (you guessed it, part of the Gaga brand) and is housed in a beautiful reclaimed factory at the G&G Creative Park in Shekou. From the decor to the food, everything about the restaurant is satisfying, simple and just right.

The Food

The seasonal menu is divided succinctly into brunch bites, small bites and mains. We started off the evening with the fried cauliflower bites (RMB58) and baked brie (RMB88). Although simple dishes on paper, the garnishes and toppings elevated these appetizers to the next level. The generously-sized, crispy fried cauliflower dish was topped with bonito flakes to give it a delicious umami flavor; whereas the baked brie was paired beautifully

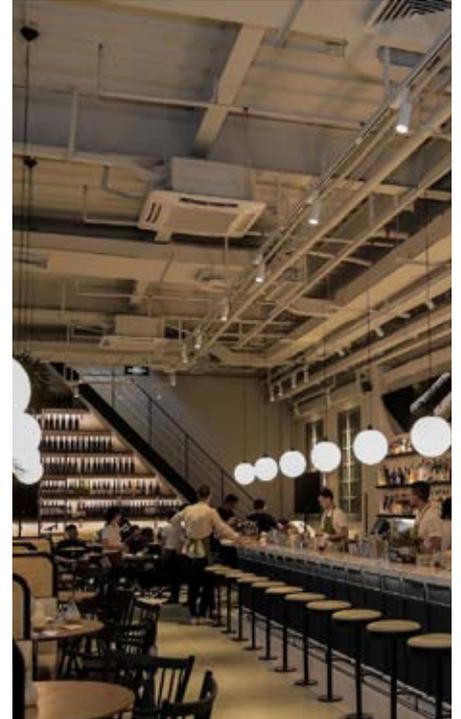


with honey and fresh berries.

For mains, we tried the zucchini 'risotto' (RMB78) and the lamb chops (RMB98). The meat was nicely seared, tender and rich with flavor. The risotto is a good option for vegetarians; however, it didn't really have the creamy, cheesy consistency that one would expect. As it was a weekday, we decided to try one of their fresh fruit teas, which did not disappoint. The pineapple and strawberry punch tea (RMB33) was a blended concoction that's flavor profile leaned more towards the fresh strawberries than pineapple.

The Vibe

We stopped by on a Monday night, and were met by an atmosphere and decor reminiscent of a trendy New York City restaurant. The foundations of the space – a former glass factory – have been kept intact but given new life with simple furnishings. It's a great place to gather with friends or snap a few pics (we saw a boyfriend dutifully snapping pics of his other half). Gaga Garden has a genuine community feel that we would definitely come back for.



Price: RMB135

Who's going: urban creatives, out-of-towners, Nanshan neighbors

Good for: laid-back lounging, shareable appetizers, late-night nibbles

Nearest metro: Shuiwan Station (Exit C), 9 minutes' walk

Open daily, 11-1am; Shop 201, 9 Liyuan Lu, Nanshan District 南山区荔园路9号201 (2165 0686)





MALTLAND BREWPUB

Suds-Lover's Solitude

By Jonathan Zhong



The Place

Tucked away on a side street a few hundred meters from the hive of Shuiwei is an unassuming new craft beer bar: Maltland Brewpub. The establishment is generally embraced by quietness: Apart from the faint sound of laughter and tomfoolery from a nearby school playground and the chitchat of passersby, little else seems to happen here.

But sometimes that is just the thrill of places like these, which patiently wait in a secret corner of the neighborhood and greet you when you least expect them.

The Food and Beers

On our visit, the outlet was offering both locally-brewed and imported beers, as well as a variety of pub bites. Right off the bat, we asked for their most popular beverage, which turned out to be the good ol' Belgian Früli (RMB55). With a refreshing strawberry flavor and a smooth mouthfeel, the beer served as a satisfying start to our night.

If you arrive with an empty stomach, we'd recommend trying Maltland's 'screaming' burger (RMB78). This bad boy comes with a sizable beef patty and two slices of bacon tucked inside a sesame seed-topped bun. You may find the beef patty a touch too salty, but



that's when the Früli comes in to save the day.

Curious about the beer that Maltland produces? We sure were on our visit. Currently, only five of the 21 beers available at the establishment are made in-house, but we're told by the owner, Ethan, that we can expect more in

the future.

Before leaving, we ordered one of Maltland's beverages – the 'Big Island Lava' (RMB32-40). This thick stout indeed lived up to the word 'lava,' and had a smoky coffee-ish aroma. Despite that, we found the intensity of its flavor somewhat weak and, therefore, the beer left something to be desired.

The Vibe

The pub's low-profile location means that it won't always be bustling with activity, but the wooden paneling and warm lighting do provide a cozy and relaxing atmosphere. Also, keep in mind that the bar is essentially a cramped room with limited seating, so if you're big on personal space, you probably won't want to drop by on a busy day.

Price: RMB90

Who's going: friends, lovers, hermits

Good for: beers, quietude, friendly service

Nearest metro: Huanggang Village (Exit A), 10 minutes' walk

Open daily, 6pm-2am; 2016 Fuqiang Lu, Huanggang Park Ba Jie, Futian District 福田区皇岗公园八街福强路 2016号 (184 7665 2469)



ALCOVE

Hole in the Sky

By Phoebe Kut

The Place

Although the *Michelin Guide* hasn't yet landed in Shenzhen, you can now experience that level of fine dining at Alcové, a new bar and restaurant spanning two levels on the top floor of the Futian Shangri-La. Alcové is attached to its sister restaurant Ensue, a farm-to-table concept headed by Christopher Kostow, the executive chef of a three-Michelin star restaurant in California's Napa Valley.

If you're wondering how this West Coast chef happened to venture over to South China, the project came to fruition after a cool USD7-million injection from 26-year-old Ricky Li, whose family owns a Chinese investment firm. With that knowledge in mind, it comes as no surprise that Alcové spares no expenses when it comes to delivering a first-class experience.

The Drinks

All cocktails on the menu were designed by the same award-winning team at Kostow's three-starred Meadowood. Alcové's cocktails are all priced at RMB118, so we asked the head bartender, Adrian, to recommend his top three.

The first drink he served was the 'Hole in the Sky,' which is sure to win over any cocktail connoisseur. Sweet and sour, with subtle hints of cinnamon, this gin-based cocktail was easy to sip on (and had a delectable layer of froth on top).

Next up was the 'Sea of Stars,' a Tiki-themed drink that'll give you a bang for your buck. This tropical passion fruit, pineapple and Jamaican rum concoction contains not one, but two rum types – one of which sits at 69% ABV. It also came with a reusable metal straw (bonus points for sustainability!).

For those whose drink preference leans towards something stiffer, like an old fashioned, try the 'Moonlit Lake.' This rye and apple brandy-based drink is topped off with a piece of handcrafted candy cap (type of mushroom) chocolate. Adrian suggested we alternate between sipping the cocktail and nibbling the chocolate, and his suggestion did not fall on deaf ears – much to the delight of our palates.

The Vibe

As we arrived at around 7pm, we caught the tail end of a beautiful orange sunset streaming through Alcové's windows. True to its name, the space evokes a cozy, yet ethereal charm. It's an inviting place to take a date you're looking to impress, schmooze afterwork or a catch up with old friends. We'll also let you in on a little secret: Up the stairs and hidden behind a bookcase is a secret cigar room, which is where (if you're lucky) you'll find the VVIPs hanging out.

Price: RMB118

Who's going: glamorous globetrotters, cocktail lovers

Good for: sophisticated cocktails, amazing views, pent-house vibes

Nearest metro: Futian Station (Exit 4A), 9 minutes' walk

Wed-Sun, 5.30-11pm; 40-41/F, Futian Shangri-La, Shenzhen, 4088 Yitian Lu, Futian District 福田区益田路4088号福田香格里拉大酒店40-41楼 (188 2343 7333)



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● Wuthering Heights



This month in Shenzhen, Chapterhouse Theatre Company is proud to present the wild and tempestuous love story of Emily Bronte's *Wuthering Heights*, set on the beautiful and mysterious Yorkshire moors. This tale of passion and revenge has thrilled readers and audiences alike for generations. Adapted by award-winning writer Laura Turner, this play will be presented in English with Chinese subtitles.

Sun Oct 27, 7:30pm; RMB180-380. Shenzhen Children's Palace, 2002 Fuzhong Yi Lu, Futian District 福田区福中一路2002号深圳少年宫

● NBA Shenzhen Game



The NBA China Games 2019 will be the NBA's 27th and 28th games in China, with 17 NBA teams having played games in Beijing, Guangzhou, Macao, Shanghai, Shenzhen and Taipei since 2004. The Lakers' roster currently features three-time NBA Champion LeBron James, six-time NBA All-Star Anthony Davis, four-time NBA All-Star DeMarcus Cousins and 2018 NBA All-Rookie First Team member Kyle Kuzma. The Nets' roster boasts two-time NBA Champion Kevin Durant, six-time NBA All-Star Kyrie Irving, three-time NBA All-Star DeAndre Jordan and 2018 Most Improved Player Award finalist Spencer Dinwiddie.

Sat Oct 12, 7pm; RMB350-18,888. Shenzhen Universiade Sports Center, 3001 Longxiang Dadao, Longgang District 龙岗区龙翔大道3001号深圳市大运中心体育场 (en.damai.cn)

● Shiseido WTA Finals Shenzhen



The Shiseido Women's Tennis Association (WTA) Finals Shenzhen will be held from October 27 to November 3 at Shenzhen Bay Sports Center. The eight-day event will feature the top eight singles players and doubles teams who accumulate points on the Porsche Race to Shenzhen, which takes in 53 WTA tournaments and the four Grand Slam tournaments across the course of 2019. Local fans in China will be able to purchase tickets simply by following the Shiseido WTA Finals Shenzhen WeChat account, where there will be links to other ticketing sites available.

Sun-Sun Oct 27-Nov 3, all day; RMB180-1,680. Shenzhen Bay Sports Center, 3001 Binhai Dadao, Nanshan District 南山区滨海大道3001号深圳湾体育中心 (shseidowtfinalsshenzhen.com/store)



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● Starbucks Reserve and Bar Mixato at MixC Shenzhen Bay



Starbucks South China's first Bar Mixato has opened up at the Starbucks Reserve in the MixC Shenzhen Bay! Bar Mixato offers over 30 different cocktails, wines and craft beer options on top of its premium Starbucks Reserve offerings. Pop in and sample a small-batch roast or try an espresso martini, metropolitan or Aperol spritz.

Daily, 9am-10pm (Mon-Thu), 9am-10:30pm (Fri), 10am-10:30pm (Sat-Sun); various prices. Starbucks Reserve and Mixato Bar, Shop L185-L121, Shenzhen Bay MixC, 288 Keyuan Nan Lu, Nanshan District 南山区科苑南路288号深圳湾万象城L185-L121号商铺



● 11th Annual Captivating Midnight Charity Run



All proceeds from registration fees and raised funds will support the work of the Shenzhen Charity Federation Captivating Fund, which works to educate school girls in West China. There are two registration options, the first is RMB250/runner (limited to 160 attendees). If you fundraise over RMB1,000 you can get one free entry!

Sat Oct 19, 11.15am; RMB250-1,000. Lianhuashan Park, 6030 Hongli Lu, Futian District 福田区红荔路6030号莲花山公园 (captivatingevents.org)



● Barry Douglas Piano Recital



Since winning the Gold Medal at the 1986 Tchaikovsky International Piano Competition, Barry Douglas has established a major international career. He was the first non-Russian pianist to be honored with the award since Van Cliburn in 1958. In his debut concert at Mountain View Theater, Barry Douglas pairs Tchaikovsky's principal works for solo piano: 'The Seasons,' and Mussorgsky's warhorse 'Pictures at An Exhibition.'

Sun Oct 13, 8pm; RMB380-2,600. Mountain View Theater, 3-5/F, 1187 Wanghai Lu, Nanshan District 南山区望海路1187号海上世界文化艺术中心3-5楼境山剧院 (design-society.cn)

● 2019 Shenzhen International Auto Show



The 2019 Shenzhen International Auto Show is back and bigger than ever (80,000 square meters, to be exact). This year's event brings 100 well-known domestic and international automobile brands under one roof for five days of auto awesomeness. More than 700 new models will be unveiled, including from major automakers. Activities will include an iHome interactive experience zone, a 'Car Baby Supermodel Competition' and 'Children's Creative Car Painting.' So, bring the kids or the whole family out!

Tue-Sat Oct 1-5, 9am-5pm; RMB45 early bird, RMB50 at the door. Shenzhen Convention Exhibition Center, Jintian Lu, Futian District 福田区金田路深圳会展中心 (szautoshow.com)

● Myth & Roid



Myth & Roid are a Japanese pop rock duo whose songs you might recognize from various anime series. Their name comes from two words: 'myth,' representing the past, and 'android,' representing the future; the band hopes that these two aspects will allow the creation of "a new world." Their songs can be described as upbeat and a mishmash of horror pop and EDM. Lyrics are sung in a mix of English and Japanese.

Sun Oct 20, 4-7pm; RMB380 presale. A8 Live, 2/F, A8 Music Mansion, 1002 Keyuan Lu, Nanshan District 南山区科园路1002号A8音乐大厦2层 (showstart.com)

● Broncho China Tour 2019



Broncho is an American indie rock band based in Norman, Oklahoma that formed in 2010. Churning out thoughtful, nuanced rock 'n' roll with an art school spirit and a punk rock heart, the band's fourth album, *Bad Behavior*, finds them leaning into their strengths for their best album yet. Sometimes their nonsensical syllables capture the improvisational joy of pop music better than proper words ever could. Their standout single 'Class Historian' is a prime example of these catchy non-lexical vocals.

Wed Oct 23, 8:30pm; RMB150 presale. Hou Live, Shop B112A, KK ONE Shopping Center, 9289 Binhe Dadao, Futian District 福田区滨河大道9289号KK ONE购物中心负一层B112A (247tickets.com)

HONG KONG & MACAO CALENDAR

OCT 4-7
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Asia Contemporary Art Show (Fall 2019 Edition), various times; HKD270. Conrad Hong Kong (discoverhongkong.com)
Art lovers, get ready for the exciting fall 2019 edition of Asia Contemporary Art Show. This unique show will display more than 1,500 pieces of contemporary art in 65 art living spaces. It includes original paintings, limited editions, sculptures and photography from some of the world's most intriguing artists.

OCT 19-20
SAT-SUN



Rolling Loud, various times; HKD998. West Kowloon Art Park. (247tickets.com)
Migos and Wiz Khalifa headline this killer hip hop festival in Hong Kong this month. Rolling Loud has been around since 2015, racking up more and more attendees each year. In 2017, the Miami-based festival expanded into a three-day event that drew 60,000 attendees from around the world, with shows in the Bay Area and Los Angeles. Now, Rolling Loud makes its way to China's Greater Bay Area.

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OCT 25-27, NOV 2-3
FRI-SUN



Swan Lake, 730pm and 2.30pm; HKD180-1,000. Grand Theatre (www.discoverhongkong.com)
Swan Lake is a must-see play, with audiences across the world enjoying the beguiling tale of good versus evil. This month, Hong Kong Sinfonietta's live performance of Tchaikovsky's iconic masterpiece score will truly wow you.

OCT 27
SUN



Harbour Race 2019 8am; free viewing. Wan Chai Golden Bauhinia Square Public Pier. (discoverhongkong.com)
This epic swimming event has been going strong for over 70 years, attracting hundreds of participants and thousands of spectators. The idea of swimming across Victoria Harbour while enjoying a perfect blend of natural environment and cityscape is as fun as it sounds. The Cross Harbour Race, which will take place from Tsim Sha Tsui to Wan Chai, is a fan favorite among the Hong Kong swimming community and certainly worth checking out.

MID-OCT (TBC)



A-Ma Cultural and Tourism Festival, all day; free. A-Ma Cultural Village, Mt. Coloane (macautourism.gov.mo)
This year's edition of Macao's A-Ma Cultural and Tourism Festival, one of the city's many UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritages, will see a parade of the golden statue of A-Ma with folk dances being performed on the streets near A-Ma Cultural Village and Lao Hon Park.

UNTIL OCT 15
DAILY



4th Macau International Lantern Festival, 7pm-1am; free admission. One Central Macau waterfront promenade, Wynn Macau waterfront promenade, Anim'Arte Nam Van. This annual lantern festival is part of Macao's Mid-Autumn Festival celebrations, but will last until October 15. Visitors are able to check out some amazing lantern-inspired sculptures as well as light and art installations across three locations along the Nam Van Lake waterfront promenade.

OCT 18-20
FRI-SUN



The 22th Lusofonia Festival, all day; free admission. Taipa Houses Museum (taipavillagemacau.com)
First held in 1998, the Lusofonia Festival is a fun-filled, action-packed carnival that celebrates the

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Portuguese heritage of the SAR, with participation from both the Chinese- and Portuguese-speaking communities. Featuring music, gastronomy, handicraft works and more from Portuguese-speaking countries – Cape Verde, Brazil, Mozambique, Angola, and Timor Leste, this festive occasion will make a fantastic family day out.

OCT 26
SAT



Coco Lee 'You and I' World Tour Macao, 8pm; MOP380-1,380. The Venetian Macao (macauticket.com)
Chinese-American pop singer Coco Lee sings in English, Mandarin and Cantonese. This world tour is a celebration of the 25th anniversary of her career and the name of the concert series denotes gratitude to her fans – who Lee believes make her who she is today. Audiences will see a dynamic Lee, as the talented performer sings and dances onstage with her powerful vocals and phenomenal choreography.

UNTIL OCT 31
DAILY



Unexpected Encounters, all day; free admission. City of Dreams. This extraordinary contemporary art collection is set to dazzle both locals and visitors to the City of Dreams. These artworks are vivid examples of the liberated mind and were created by renowned artistic visionaries from every continent. Each piece was selected for its uniqueness and the potential insights it could offer to viewers.

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Hyatt Regency Opens in East Shenzhen

Hyatt Regency Shenzhen Yantian opened in the east of Shenzhen on August 8. The 293-room hotel aims to bring the Hyatt Regency brand's signature service and energizing experiences to business and leisure guests alike. As part of a new 'recreational business district' concept, Hyatt Regency Shenzhen Yantian is located in the heart of Yantian District, neighboring Dameisha Beach and Overseas Chinese Town East along a 19.5-kilometer-long stretch of golden coast. The hotel is within an hour's drive of Shenzhen Bao'an International Airport, half an hour of Shenzhen Railway Station and only a five-minute drive away from the Shatoujiao port of entry to Hong Kong.

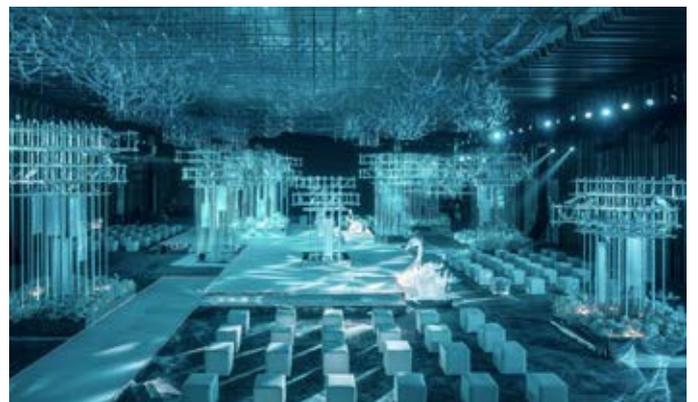
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Marriott International 'Run to Give' 2019

The Marriott International 'Run to Give' annual charity run was held across Shenzhen, Huizhou and Dongguan in support of Yao Foundation. The spectacular event raised a total of RMB148,335 to further support education projects for underprivileged children in rural China. Working in partnership with Marriott South China Business Council, the charity run on September 8 was organized by 24 Marriott International hotels across the three cities with an attendance of more than 1,000 people.

PROMOTIONS



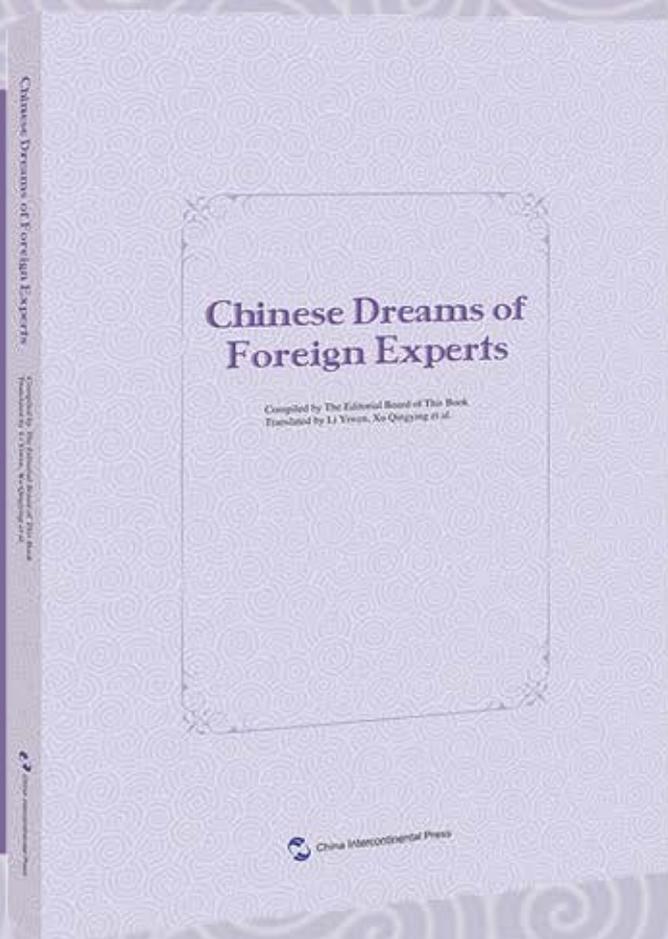
The Perfect Wedding Venue at Shenzhen Marriott Hotel Nanshan

The grand ballroom of Shenzhen Marriott Hotel Nanshan covers an area of 900 square meters, and the foyer is a great space for large receptions. This amazing ballroom is pillar-free, which is great for either Chinese- or Western-style weddings. The ballroom is also equipped with 80 square meters of 4K HD P2.5 full-color LED screens – the largest embedded LED display in Shenzhen.

Building A, 88 Haide Yi Dao, Nanshan District 南山区海德一道88号A座 (8666 6666)

CHINESE DREAMS OF FOREIGN EXPERTS

In recent years, China has provided a better platform to match international talent with domestic needs. Foreign experts who work in China are close friends to Chinese people, and they serve an important pillar of China's modernization. They spare no efforts in contributing to China's economic and social development. By introducing a real and colorful China to foreign countries, foreign experts serve as the bridge which links China and the world. We have selected 25 articles from International Talent magazine in the past five years. The book introduces foreign experts' work, life, achievements and contributions in China. It presents an open and inclusive policy of talents and intellects giving an introduction to China, showcasing a preferential environment for innovation and entrepreneurship. It serves as the tribute of the 70th anniversary of the People's Republic of China.



CITY SCENES

SZ Newcomer Event at Vista-SK International Medical Center

(Supported by **that's**)

On September 7, Vista-SK International Medical Center held its annual newcomer event: All essential service providers were present, along with representatives from clubs, charities and organizations who helped recent arrivals with their transition to life in Shenzhen.



Hennessy Declassified Exhibition Held at Galaxy Macau

Having stopped off in numerous Asia Pacific cities, including Shanghai and Hangzhou, the *Hennessy Declassified Exhibition* arrived in Macao on September 17 to unveil the legendary cognac brand's formula for success. Staged in the Crystal Hall at Galaxy Macau, the highly interactive exhibit introduces guests to the Ugni Blanc grape trees grown in France's Cognac region; important figures in the brand's history; and the secrets behind their oak barrels and aging process. The event – which runs until October 6 – also features a tasting room, among other activities.



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As an effort to promote one of Ecuador's most important produce items, tagua nuts, also known as vegetable ivory, the Commercial Office of Ecuador in Guangzhou organized a promotional event in the city during August.



A fun-filled carnival featuring a 'baby triathlon' was held by Guangzhou United Family Hospital on September 7. In addition to the baby-focused activities, healthcare packages were auctioned off at prices starting as low as RMB9.



Rosewood Guangzhou, Rosewood Hotels & Resorts' second urban location on the Chinese mainland, opened its doors in September and has been hailed as a 'mansion in the sky,' occupying the top 39 floors of the 108-story CTF Finance Center in downtown Guangzhou.



Celebrating the 209th anniversary of Mexican independence on September 17, a reception was held at Grand Hyatt Guangzhou by the Consul General of Mexico in Guangzhou. The event was attended by distinguished guests, including the vice governor of Guangdong province.

首届中国古诗词 插画征集大赛

Inaugural Illustration Contest for Classical Chinese Poetry

颁奖典礼 Award Ceremony

AWARDS CEREMONY HELD FOR 1ST CHINESE POETRY ILLUSTRATION CONTEST

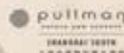
On September 8, we held an exciting awards ceremony for our inaugural Illustration Contest for Classical Chinese Poetry at Pullman Shanghai South. The extravaganza was our way of extending our gratitude to all of the awesome student illustrators involved in the competition. The celebration included plenty of on-site activities for participants, including prize giveaways, opportunities to interact with the competition judges, DIY workshops and educational talks. It turned out to be a smashing success.



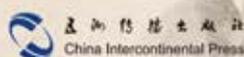
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FOOD & DRINK AMERICAN

Element Fresh 1) 1/F, Zone B, Sea World, Shekou, Nanshan District (2681 4848) 2) L2-7/7A, Wongtee Plaza, 118 Fuhua San Lu, Futian District (8323 7249) 1) 南山区海上世界广场B区B130-210号 2) 福田区福华三路118号皇庭国商购物广场L2-7/7A号

AWARD Baia Burger Concept 1) 1C-077-078A, 1/F, Shopping Park, Fuhua San Lu, Futian District (8290 6696) 2) A2303 3/F, Second Building Section A, Sea World, Shekou, Nanshan District (2681 8890) 1) 福田区福华三路购物公园1楼078A 2) 深圳市南山区蛇口海上世界A区2座3楼3号

The Butchers Club B101A, PAFC Mall, Ping An Finance Center, 5033 Yitian Lu, Futian District (8272 5669) 福田区益田路5033号平安金融中心B1, 下沉式广场B101A商舖 观光厅入口旁边)

Morton's Grille N901, 9/F, PAFC Mall, Ping An Finance Center, 5033 Yitian Lu, Futian District (8272 8333) 福田区益田路5033号平安金融中心9楼N901

AWARD Hard Rock Cafe Shenzhen 9 Mission Hills Blvd, Longhua New District (3395 2888) 龙华新区观澜高尔夫大道9号www.hardrockhotels.com/shenzhen

Blue Frog Shop 28, 2/F, Wongtee Plaza, 118 Fuhua San Lu, Futian District (8255 3646) 福田区福华三路118号皇庭国商购物广场2层28铺

CHINESE CANTONESE

Hoi Fan 1) North gate L/F, Yijing Central Walk Shopping Mall, 3 Fuhua Yi Lu, Futian District (8322 6165) 2) Rm 16 3/F, Raffles City, 2163 Nanhai Dadao, Nanshan District (2640 8664) 1) 福田区福华一路3号新怡景商业中心L层北大门2) 南海大道2163号来福士广场3层16号

Diandoude Dim Sum 4/F, Greater China IFC, Shennan Dadao and Caitian Lu Interchange, Futian District (8321 9215) 福田区深南大道和彩田路交汇处大中华IFC四楼

Jade Garden 22-31 L2/F, Yitian Holiday Plaza, 9028 Shennan Dadao, Nanshan District (8860 6228) 南山区深南大道9028号益田假日广场L2楼22-31号

SICHUAN

Rong Yue 1) 468 4/F, MIXC, 1881, Bao'an Nan Lu, Luohu District (2221 6888) 2) L3/F, Yitian Holiday Plaza, 9028 Shennan Dadao, Nanshan District (8665 6877) 1) 罗湖区宝安南路1881号华润万象城一期4层468号2) 南山区深南大道9028号益田假日广场3层

Lan Ting 23/F, Hilton Shenzhen Futian, Tower B, Great China IFC, 1003 Shennan Lu, Futian District (2130 8888) 福田区深南大道1003号大中华国际金融中心B座大深圳中华希尔顿酒店23楼

SHANGHAISE

Crystal Jade La Mian Xiao Long Bao B1/F,

KK MALL, 5016 Shennan Dong Lu, Futian District (2265 9183) 福田区深南东路5016号KKMALL京基百纳空间B1层

Din Tai Fung 3/F, MixC, 1881, Bao'an Nan Lu, Luohu District (2598 2779) 罗湖区宝安南路1881号华润万象城一期3层

Shanghai Min A-1F, OCT Bay, 13 Baishi Dong Lu, Nanshan District (4008209777) 南山区白石路东13号欢乐海岸山水湾A-1F

ITALIAN

PAPI Italian Restaurant N702, 7/F, Ping An Finance Center, 5033 Yitian Lu, Futian District (8326 6833) 福田区益田路5033号平安金融中心7楼N702号

Artisans 1/F, Block A, Poly Cultural Center, Houhaibin Lu, by Haide San Dao (8628 7109) 南山区保利文化广场A区40号店舖

Alla Torre #101, Area B, Sea World, 1128 Wanghai Lu, Shekou, Nanshan District (2685 1322) 南山区蛇口望海路1128号海上世界B区101

Blue Italian Seafood & Grill Restaurant 3/F, The Venice Rayout Hotel Shenzhen, 9026 Shennan Dadao, Nanshan District (2693 6888) 南山区深南大道9026号深圳威尼斯奢途酒店3楼意大利餐厅

AWARD Baia Restaurant Bar Grill B301, Bldg B, Zone B, Sea World Square, Shekou, Nanshan District (2681 8836) 南山区蛇口海上世界广场B区3楼B301

La Terrazza 1/F, Grand Hyatt Shenzhen, 1881 Baoan Nan Lu, by Jiabing Lu (2218 7338) 罗湖区宝安南路1881号深圳君悦酒店

Paletto 2/F, The Ritz-Carlton, 116 Fuhua San Lu, Futian District (2222 2222) 福田区福华三路116号深圳星河丽思卡尔顿酒店二层

AWARD Oggi Trattoria Pizzeria 3-14 Golden Century Lu, Phase 3, Coastal Rose Garden, Shekou, Nanshan District (2689 0118) 南山区蛇口金世纪路南海玫瑰花园三期金世纪路3-14号

PIZZA

Pizza Express Shop 568, 5/F, The MixC, 1881 Bao'an Nan Lu, Luohu District (2215 9036) 罗湖区宝安南路1881号万象城5楼568号商舖

Kiwi Pizza 1) Shop B14, COCO Park, by Fuhua Lu (8329 2299) 2) 8 Outlets Minkang Lu, by Huanan Lu 3) B1, 138 Mintian Lu, by Fuhua Yi Lu 1) 福田区购物公园B1楼地铁商业街B14铺 2) 龙华新区奥特莱斯8号仓店 3) 福田区民田路138号购物公园B1楼

Baia Da Marco Shop #28 Coastal Rose Garden, Shekou, Nanshan District, shenzhen (2681 8849) 南山区蛇口街道望海路南海玫瑰花园(二期)33-36裙楼28

NYPD New York Pizza Delivery 1) Shop 26, Haichangjie, 1 Gongyuan Zhong Lu (8887 6973) 2) 3 Fuhua Yi Lu, by Zhongxin Si Lu (8887 6973) 1) 南山区公园南路1号海南国际26号铺 2) 福田区福华一路中心城L1015商舖

FRENCH

Belle-Vue Grill 37/F, Grand Hyatt Shenzhen, 1881 Bao'an Nan Lu, Luohu District (2218 7338) 罗湖区宝安南路1881号君悦酒店37楼

LISTINGS

L'etoile Building A 302-303, Ecological PLAZA, OCT, Nanshan District (8166 8111) 南山区华侨城生态广场A栋302-303

AWARD La Maison Shop 108, Nanhai Rose Garden, 91 Wanghai Lu, Nanshan District (2685 7030) 南山区望海路91号南海玫瑰花园108号

Taste Moment Restaurant 1st floor, Bldg 1, Block A, 1979 Cultural and Creative Park, 1011 Qiaoxiang Lu, Futian District (8255 6173) 福田区侨香路1011号1979文化生活新领域A区1栋1层

GERMAN

Haxnbauer 1) L1C-055B, 1/F, Coco Park, Fuhua San Lu, Futian District (8359 2080) 2) L1-15, Raffles City, 2163 Nanhai Ave, Nanshan District (8652 6580) 1) 福田区福华三路星河Coco Park一楼L1C-055B 2) 南山区南海大道2163号福士广场1-15

AWARD Paulaner Brauhaus 1) C-005, Huanchuan Square, Sea World, Shekou, Nanshan District (2668 7230) 2) 8/F, Shop 801, PAFC Mall, Ping An Finance Centre, 5033 Yitian Lu, Futian District (8253 5187) 1) 南山区蛇口海上世界环船广场C-005 2) 福田区益田路5033号平安金融中心8楼801

SPANISH

Ling Spanish Kitchen 1011 Qiao Xiang Dong Lu, 1979 Cultural Park, Nanshan District (8322 7522) 南山区侨香东路1011号1979文化新天地B区1层

MIDDLE EASTERN

Bus Grill Turkish Steakhouse Shop 134, 1/F, Shopping Park B Area, Futian District (158 2044 6962) 福田区购物公园B区134铺

Les 5 Chef's Miznon 143 Laojie, Shekou, Nanshan District (132 5889 0561) 南山蛇口老街143号

The Istanbul Restaurant 1-22 Huafa Bei Lu, Huaqiangbei Jiedao, Futian District (3309 7180) 福田区华强北街道华发北路1-22号

MEXICAN

AWARD Teqo FL1018, Yijing Central Walk Shopping Mall, 3 Fuhua Yi Lu, Futian District, (18928448542) 福田区福华一路3号怡景中心城FL1018号铺

Orale No. 1026, Zhonghang Beiyuan V Shangjie, Zhenhua Lu, Huaqiangbei, Futian District (2396 4990) 福田区华强北振华路中航北苑V尚街1026号铺

Tacos 3118#, Sea World Square, 32 Taizi Lu, Shekou, Nanshan District (2161 1006) 南山区蛇口太子路32号海上世界广场A3118店铺

Latina No. 1128, Sea World, Wanghai Lu, by Nanhai Dadao (2667 7679) 南山区蛇口望海路1128号海上世界广场C区

INDIAN

Bombay Indian Restaurant & Bar Shops

20-24, Sea World, Nanshan District (2667 6049) 南山区海上世界商辅20-24号

Saffron Indian Restaurant and Bar Floor B1, Jinhui Hotel, 1005 Wenjin Lu, Luohu District (8219 1115) 罗湖区文锦中路1005号锦湖宾馆地下一层

Indian Cottage Shop 48-49, 2/F, Area A, Poly Cultural Centre, Wenxin Wu Lu, Nanshan District (8628 7265) 南山区文心五路保利文化广场A区2楼48-49号商辅

Little Papa Indian Restaurant #116, Building 6, Nanhai E-Cool, Taizi Lu, Shekou, Nanshan District (2686 0020) 南山区蛇口太子路南海意库6栋116号

JAPANESE

BOA 3/F, West side of International Bar Street, Sea World, Shekou, Nanshan District (130 4894 9034) 南山区蛇口海上世界国际酒吧街西侧三楼

Tang Ben Jia #FL1011, L/F, Yijing Central Walk Shopping Mall, 3 Fuhua Yi Lu, Futian District (8280 1086) 福田区福华一路3号怡景中心城广场L楼FL1011号

Bincho Ya L120-121, Bldg 2, Times Square Excellence, Fuhua Lu, Futian District (8278 2760) 福田区福华路卓越时代广场二期L120-L121店

AWARD Komachi B-132, North Side, Shopping Park, Futian District (8290 5806) 福田区购物公园北园B区132号

Kyoku Japanese Cuisine B-17 Qushui Bay, OCT Bay, 50 Baishi Lu East, Nanshan District (8654 1122) 南山区白石路东50号欢乐海岸曲水湾B-17

Nishimura 1/F, Macro Polo Hotel, Fuhua Yi Lu, by Mintian Lu (3339 7709) 福田中心区福华一路马哥孛罗好日子酒店1楼

Kanpai Classic 9/F, PAFC Mall, Ping An Finance Center, 5033 Yitian Road, Futian District (6182 2987) 福田区福华三路平安金融中心9楼

KOREAN

Minikor Kitchen L01-B01, Coco Park, 269 Fuhua San Lu, by Mintian Lu, Futian District (8606 9266) 福田区民田路福华三路269号星河Coco Park L1-B0

Bornga Korean Cuisine A-11A, Qushui Wan, OCT Bay, 42 Baishi Lu East, Nanshan District (8654 1158) 南山区白石路东42号欢乐海岸曲水湾A-11A

VIETNAMESE

Lian Shop 562, 5/F, The MIXC Shenzhen, Luohu District (8266 6366) 罗湖区万象城商场5楼562铺

Muine 1) L2-203, Coco Park, Fuhua San Lu, Futian District (8271 2527) 2) B139 and B139-2, B1/F, Jiufang Shopping Mall, ShennanZhong Lu, Futian District (2681 7828) 3) No. 219, 2/F, Shekou Garden City Center, Nanshan District (2681 7828) 4) B2-017A, King Glory Plaza, Luohu District (2220 3052) 5) RL1094B, Yijing Central Walk Shopping Mall, 3 Fuhua Yi Lu, Futian District (8273 2993) 6) G-025B, OCT Bay Shopping mall, 13 Baishi Dong Lu, Nanshan

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No. 5, Zone C, Seaworld Shekou, Nanshan District 南山区蛇口海上世界C区C005 (2668 7230)

LISTINGS

District (8671 7326) 1) 福田区福华三路COCO Park L2-203 2) 福田区深南中路华强北九方购物中心B1层B139 & B139-2 3) 南山区南海大道1086号花园城中心第2楼219号铺 4) 罗湖区人民南路金光华广场2层B2-017A号 5) 福田区福华三路中心城广场1层RL1094B号 6) 南山区滨海大道2008号欢乐海岸购物中心G-025B

Mon Saigon Block B, 1979 Cultural and Creative Park, by Qiaoxiang Lu, Futian District (8270 3282) 福田区侨香路1979文化生活新领域街区

Pho Nam Shop B26C, Link City Passage, by Fuhua Lu (8255 7048) 福田区连城新天地B26C商铺

THAI

AWARD The Terrace Restaurant & Bar #201, Sea World Square, 32 Taizi Lu, Shekou, Nanshan District (2682 9105) 南山区蛇口太子路32号海上世界广场商辅201

Very Siam 1/F, A3 Bldg, Xiangshan Dong Jie, OCT-Loft, Nanshan District (8623 3225) 南山区OCT创意园香山东街A3栋1楼

Yes Thai 1) 4/F, KK Shopping Mall, KK Financial Centre, 5016 Shennan Dong Lu, by Hongbao Lu (2290 0333) 2) 5/F, Costal City, 33 Wenxin Wu Lu, by Haide Yi Dao (8635 9989) 1) 罗湖区深南东路5016号京基百纳空间购物中心4楼 2) 南山区文心五路33号海岸城购物中心五楼

La Maison D'Elephant 8/F, PAFC Mall, Ping An Finance Center, 5033 Yitian Lu, Futian District (8831 9918) 福田区益田路5033号平安金融中心8楼

BUFFETS

AWARD Café Zen 1/F, Futian Shangri-la Shenzhen, 4088 Yitian Lu, Futian District (2151 3825) 福田区益田路4088号深圳福田香格里拉大酒店1层

The Show Kitchen 32/F, Grand Hyatt Shenzhen, 1881 Baoan Nan Lu, Luohu District (2218 7338) 罗湖区宝安南路1881号深圳君悦酒店32层

Silk 2/F, The Langham, Shenzhen, 7888 Shennan Dadao, Futian District (8828 9888 ext. 8921) 深圳东海朗廷酒店2层秀·自助餐厅

Market Café 2/F, Hyatt Regency Shenzhen Airport, Shenzhen Baoan International Airport, Bao'an District (2345 1234) 宝安区深圳宝安国际机场深圳机场凯悦酒店2层

AWARD Café Marco 1/F, Marco Polo Shenzhen, 28 Fuhua Yi Lu, Futian District (3322 7777) 福田区福华一路28号深圳马哥孛罗好日子酒店1层

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Club Viva No. 140, Fuhua Lu, Coco Park, Futian District 福田区福华路城建购物公园140号

Dazzle Club 3/F, Central Commercial Build-

ing, No.88 Fuhua 1st Road, Futian District (2348 1542) 福田区民田路中心商务大厦3楼

McCawley's Irish Bar 1) Shop 151-152, Coco Park, Futian District (2531 3599) 2) Shop 118, Sea World, Shekou, Nanshan District (2668 4496) 1) 福田区购物公园151-152 2) 南山区蛇口海上世界广场118号

Pepper Club 2/F, Shopping Park, Fuhua Lu, Futian District (8319 9040) 福田区福华路购物公园二楼

AWARD The Terrace Above Starbucks, Sea World Plaza, Shekou, Nanshan District (2682 9105) 南山区蛇口海上世界广场2楼星巴克楼上

EDUCATION

American International School, No. 82, Gongyuan Lu, Shekou, Nanshan District (8619 4750) 南山区蛇口公园路82号青少年活动中心

Green Oasis School No. 4030, Shennan Middle Road, Tianmian, Futian District. (8399 6712) admission@greenoasis.org.cn www.greenoasis.org.cn 福田区田面村深南中路 4030 号

International School of Nanshan Shenzhen A Canadian school accepting application for Pre-Grade 1 through Grade 12. 11 Longyuan Lu, Taiyuan Sub-District, Nanshan District (2666 1000, 2606 6968). admission@isnsz.com www.isnsz.com 南山区龙源路11号

Merchiston International School No. 12 Shilongzai Road, Daliang Sub-District, Longhua District, (400 867 0177) admissions@merchiston.cn, www.merchiston.cn 龙华区大浪街道新石社区石龙仔路12号

Peninsula Montessori Kindergarten The Peninsula one, Jin Shiji Lu, Shekou Nanshan District (2685 1266) 半岛城邦国际幼儿园 南山区蛇口东角头金世纪路1号半岛城邦一期

Quality Schools International 2/F Bitao Center, 8 Taizi Lu, Shekou, Nanshan District (2667 6031). www.shk.qsi.org 南山区蛇口太子路 8 号碧涛中心 2 楼

QSI International School of Shenzhen (Futian) A1, TCL Science Park, No. 1001 Zhongshan Yuan, Nanshan District (8371 7108) 南山区中山园路1001号TCL 科学园A1栋

Shekou International School Jingshan Villas, Gongye Er Lu, Shekou, Nanshan District (2669 3669). www.sis.org.cn 南山区蛇口工业二路鹤山别墅内

Shen Wai International School 29 Baishi San Lu, Nanshan (8654 1200, www.swis.cn) 深圳外国语学校国际部 南山区白石三道 29 号

HOTEL

Futian Shangri-La Hotel Shenzhen No.4088 Yitian Lu, Futian District (8828 4088). 福田香格里拉大酒店 福田区益田路 4088 号

Four Seasons Hotel Shenzhen 138 Fuhua San Lu, Futian District (8826 8888) 福田区福华三路 138 号

Grand Hyatt Shenzhen No.1881 Baoan Nan Lu, Luohu District (8266 1234) www.shenzhen.grand.hyatt.com 罗湖区宝安南路1881号

Hardrock Hotel Shenzhen, Hard Rock Cafe Shenzhen, No.9 Misson Hills Road, Shenzhen, 0755-3395 2888 深圳硬石

酒店 观澜高尔夫大道9号

Hilton Shenzhen Shekou Nanhai 1177, Wanghai Lu, Nanshan District 深圳蛇口希尔顿南海酒店 南山区望海路 1177 号 (2162 8888)

Hilton Shenzhen Futian Town B, Great China International Finance Centre, 1003 Shennan Dadao, Futian District (2130 8888) 福田区深南大道1003号大中华国际金融中心B座

JW Marriott Shenzhen No.6005 Shennan CBD, Futian District. (2269 8888) 福田区深南大道 6005 号

JW Marriott Shenzhen Bao'an 8 Baoxing Lu, Baoan District (2323 8888) 深圳前海华侨城 JW 万豪酒店 宝安区宝兴路 8 号

Marco Polo Shenzhen Fuhua Yi Lu, CBD, Futian District (8298 9888), www.cn.marccopolohotels.com 福田中心区福华一路

Shangri-La Hotel East of the Luohu Train Station, Jianshe Lu, Luohu District (8233 0888). www.shangri-la.com 罗湖区建设路火车站东侧

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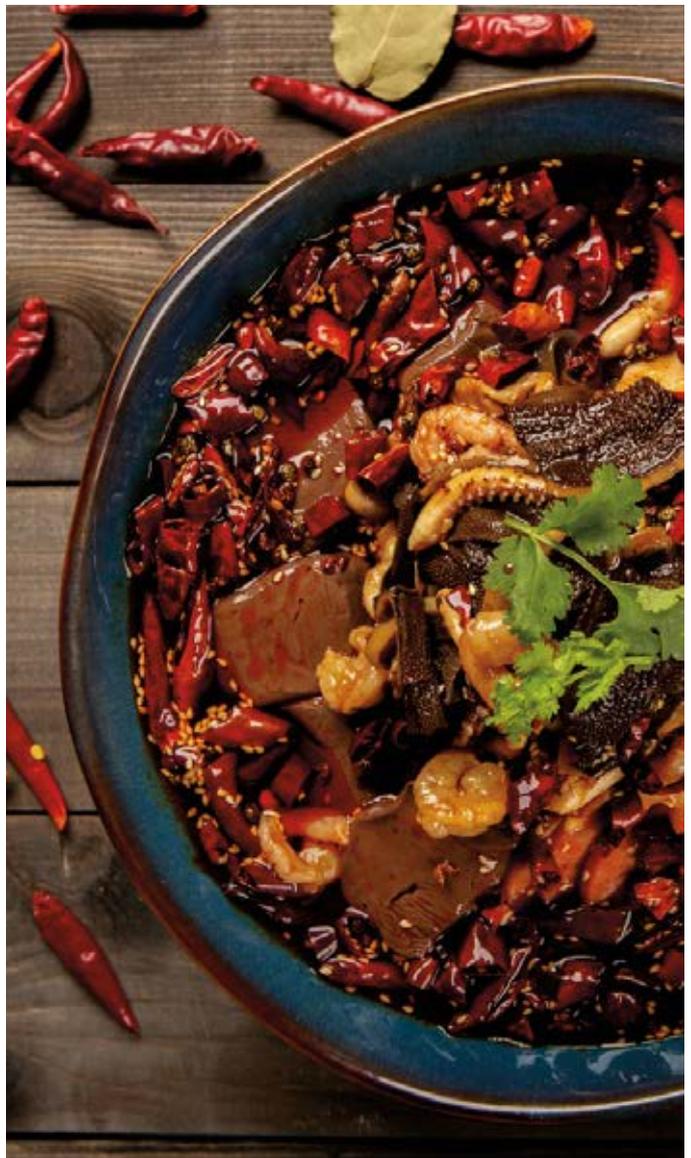
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Libra

9.24-10.23

Congrats on making it another year, Libra, you amiable and imaginative beauty. Now down to brass tacks: You need to stop being so paranoid about everything - your roommates are not plotting to steal your Wang Leehom poster from above your bed. Have a birthday shot of *baijiu*, toss on some *Between Two Ferns* and CTFQ.



Scorpio

10.24-11.22

This month's Libra planetary energy has you feeling irritable, but never fear, Scorps - this is exactly what 24-hour spas are for. There is no need to have a drunken breakdown out front of O! Garden at 2am, get in that taxi - go, NOW!



Sagittarius

11.23-12.21

There is a new moon on the 13th, meaning there has never been a better time to dedicate yourself to a new project. Start wearing protection, or, if that seems like too much work, start attending Chinese lessons again. If neither of those toot your horn, do what every nerd in Shenzhen is doing and start your own cryptocurrency.



Capricorn

12.22-1.20

Your boss is going to be keeping a close eye on you this month, but that's okay - training centers are basically one big jungle gym. Show him/her what you are made of: Show up on time, don't drink on the job and, for effs sake, do not do drugs in China.



Aquarius

1.21-2.19

While the saying goes 'don't wear white after Labor Day,' you probably shouldn't wear white ever, because it's so hard to clean and the kids are just going to get crayon all over it anyway. To keep mental balance, we recommend starting a coin collection.



Pisces

2.20-3.20

Neptune is in the cards this month, and that means you're going to be hell bent on pursuing your spiritual desire to improve our world. While we agree this is a good state of mind, stop yelling at grannies budging in line at the bus stop. Buy solar panels on Taobao instead.



Aries

3.21-4.20

Independence is key this month, which means you need to start eating what you want for lunch. No more tagging along with Sam and Carl for McDonald's. Do yourself a favor and hit that *jianbing* stall you always pass on your way to the metro - we know you won't regret it.



Taurus

4.21-5.21

Expect your workload to double this month, thanks to that pesky (but oh-so-epic) week-long National Day holiday. Don't worry, though, you're resourceful and 7-Eleven plays host to a never-ending supply of Red Bull. Drink six cups of hot water per day to maintain 'healthy.'



Gemini

5.22-6.21

This month you'll find yourself mentally torn between romance, creative pursuits and corner store beers. Neglect all three urges and instead purchase a turtle - they're good for *fengshui*. Does this sound like silly advice? Sure. It is. But is it any sillier than last month's? Nope.



Cancer

6.22-7.22

Your home base is no more. Your landlord has had enough of the late-night parties, balcony barbecues and lost-key debacles - you're out. Don't fret though, your office has a couch for a reason and there are enough leftover moon cakes there to sustain a full-grown Asian elephant for a year.



Leo

7.23-8.23

Look, Leo, we get it - you enjoy a bit of spice both in your romantic life and on the palate. But remember, your VIP card to Lukshov won't save you from the 'spicy belly' (*la duzi*) afterwards. Just to be safe this month, drink a bit of yogurt or milk before eating the four chili dishes just to prove you can.



Virgo

8.24-9.23

Your word this month is *yuanfen*, fate in its most devious sense. You may meet someone special or do something epic, so be thankful for what may look like coincidence... but may be the hand of fate. (While we're on the subject, is it coincidence or fate that China is the furthest place from your parents?)



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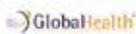
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