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A resource for people planning to visit Urumqi – China Something about the city Ürümqi is the capital of the Xinjiang region in Northwest China.

Ürümqi was a major hub on the Silk Road during China's Tang dynasty. Now, With an estimated population of 3.5 million in 2015, Ürümqi is the largest city in China's western interior. According to the Guinness Book of Records, Ürümqi has earned a place as the most remote city from any sea in the world.

History The ancient Jushi people were said to be the first inhabitants in this land. They made a nomadic living on the Tianshan Mountains. Even though Ürümqi is located near the northern route of the Silk Road, the present day city is relatively young. It was the place of local government, and collected taxes from the caravans traveling along the silk road. Three must-see sights Heavenly Lake of Tianshan In the center of Bogda Peak, 68 miles east of Urumqi, rests Heavenly Lake. It covers 1.89 square miles.

Its source is melted snow. In summer, this extremely beautiful location is an ideal resort. A day in this paradise promises

relaxation. The Xinjiang International Grand Bazaar The Xinjiang International Grand Bazaar, also known as International Grand Bazaar Xinjiang, is an Islamic bazaar in Ürümqi, Xinjiang, China. It is the largest bazaar in the world by scale. It is also one of the most popular tourist attractions in Ürümqi.

Red Hill (Hong Shan) “ Less than 1km away, Yamalik Hill stands facing Red Hill. Legend has it that in ancient times a red dragon fled from Heavenly Lake and the Heavenly Empress caught him and sliced him in two with her

sword. Later on, the western part of the dragon turned into Yamalike Hill and the eastern turned into Red Hill.

The sword turned into the Urumqi River. Oddly enough, topographic pictures tell us the two hills were once one and were separated into two parts due to stratum rupture. Eventually, ancient legend affected real life. In 1785 and 1786, floods hit Urumqi causing much destruction. Rumors arose that Red Hill and Yamalike Hill were growing closer and closer together.

Once they met, the Urumqi River between them would be blocked and the city would become flooded as the water rose. Therefore, in 1788 Shang An, the highest military officer, ordered the Zhen Long (in Chinese, to subdue the dragon) Pagodas built on both hills. These two pagodas were made of gray brick, 10.5-meter (34.4-foot)-high with six sides, nine stories, and an octagonal roof.” – [https://www.](https://www.travelchinaguide.com/attraction/xinjiang/urumqi/redhill.htm)

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- The Chinese New Year, Friday, February 16, 2018 · The Lantern Festival, Friday, March 2, 2018 · The Qingming (Tomb Sweeping) Festival, kind of like Our Memorial Day.

- Double Seven Festival, Saturday, July 7
- The Winter Solstice Two Places to stay Sheraton Urumqi Hotel Ahmad M – “ Stayed six nights at the Sheraton Urumqi, and first impression was good

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having just come from two nights at the Grand Mercure Urumqi. The Sheraton is noticeably better than the Grand Mercure.” dewei j – “ The sheraton in urumqi is right in the city center. It cost 30-40 cny for a taxi ride from or to the airport.

Lounge staff were great. There was a nice welcome for spg platinum member. There are great local beers in the lounge.” Hoi Tak Hotel Xinjiang Michael N- “ This place looks impressive from the outside but needs refurbishing to bring it up to standard. It touts itself as 4 star but is currently running low 3 star without upgrading rooms.

“ jenny Malaysia18 – “ I went on a 12 days Silk Road package tour and our first overnight stop is Urumqi – Hoi Tak Hotel. Superficially the Hotel looks clean and nice. Places to eat Rendezvous Cafe Hidi Hidi ho – “ Take the number 16, 912, 106 bus out of town to the Si Lu Binguan stop and just there on your right you’ll find a remarkable home from American/Dutch- style home. This little cafe nestled just back from the bus stop has a choice of cosy wicker seating or tables and chairs and serves everything from coffee and tea to deeeeeeelicious chocolate, cream, mocha cakes and a variety of hot Mexican/American style dishes.

” Zila91 – “ The food is nice, Specially the “ cheeseburger” is one of the best in Urumqi. Lovely place. Great place for have meal for couple.

Simply love it.” Quan Jude Roast Duck JGDynamo – “ Quan Jude Roast Duck Restaurant is a chain of restaurants across China but don’t let that turn you away as it could very well be your best dining experience in Urumqi.

Beautiful building, top notch service” adventureseekerJK – “ My friendtreated me there in November.

There were two of us so we ordered 1/2 a duck. The duck was carved beside the table and was served with the traditionalwrappers (like thin soft taco shells).” Additional Sources https://www.google.com/?gws_rd=ssl https://www.tripadvisor.com/Tourism-g297454-Shenyang_Liaoning-Vacations.html <https://www.travelchinaguide.com/climate/shenyang.htm> <https://www.travelchinaguide.com/cityguides/liaoning/shenyang/> <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/%C3%9Cr%C3%BCmqi>