

天门山 Mount Tianmen — Practical Information

Mount Tianmen

Mount Tianmen is a separate site from Zhangjiajie National Forest Park/Wulingyuan. Its main entrance is located in **Zhangjiajie city**, at the lower station of the main cableway (1).

Understanding the Site

The visit is organised around three main areas:

The Summit

Two cliffside routes explore the summit: the **West Circuit in red (2.8 km)** and the **East Circuit in blue (3.7 km)**. Both offer numerous viewpoints, suspended walkways and glass sections. It is not necessary to complete both circuits in full.

Tianmen Cave – Heaven's Gate

This immense natural arch is located below the summit plateau. It is connected to the summit by **7 escalators** running inside the mountain.

The 999 Steps

The "Stairway to Heaven" connects the square in front of Tianmen Cave with the entrance to the cave. Escalators are also available for this section of the route.

Circuits A, B and C

The letters A, B and C correspond to the ticket type and the required direction of travel. **Make sure to check the circuit** shown on your booking before your visit.

How Much Time to Allow

Allow a long half-day to a full day, depending on your circuit and how much time you spend at the summit. Transfers between cableways, shuttle buses, escalators and sightseeing areas take time.

Avoid planning another major attraction immediately after Tianmen.

Useful Tips

Bring the **original passport** used for the **booking** and respect the entry time shown on your ticket.

Wear good walking shoes: despite the cableways and escalators, the visit involves a considerable amount of walking and many stairs.

Weather conditions can change quickly at the summit. **Cloud and fog can significantly reduce visibility**, and some facilities may temporarily close. Bring water and travel light.

Circuit A – Temporary operation during construction

The upper section of the main cableway, between stations (2) and (3), is currently closed. From the intermediate station (2), a shuttle bus takes visitors to the Tianmen Cave area via the scenic road. The visit then continues to the summit by escalators.

(yellow → red/blue → turquoise): ascent from the city by the main cableway → summit visit → descent via the 7 escalators to Tianmen Cave → express cableway → shuttle bus back to the city.

Circuit B – (turquoise → red/blue → yellow): shuttle bus → express cableway → Tianmen Cave → 999 steps or escalators → 7 escalators to the summit → summit visit → descent to the city by the main cableway.

Circuit C – (turquoise → red/blue → turquoise): shuttle bus → express cableway → Tianmen Cave → 999 steps or escalators → 7 escalators to the summit → summit visit → return via the same route back to the city.

A. 西线玻璃栈道
West Glass Walkway
B. 鬼谷天堑
Valley of the Ghosts

C. 悬索桥
Suspension Bridge
D. 求儿洞
Qiuer Cave
E. 天门山寺
Tianmen Temple

A. 玻璃栈道 / 盘龙崖玻璃栈道
Panlong Cliff Glass Walkway
B. 珙桐园
Dove Tree Garden
C. 北俯视天门
Point de vue nord sur Tianmen

D. 玉壶峰
Yuhu Peak
E. 南俯视天门
South Viewpoint over Tianmen
F. 东线玻璃栈道
East Glass Walkway

