

# China Facts - Mind-Blowing Traditional Chinese Culture Facts

## China facts - Interesting Fact About China That Will Blow Your Mind

China is a fascinating country! We spent more than 2 amazing weeks in [Beijing](#) more than a month ago. It was not enough to explore the beauty of this country, so we will definitely come back there in the future. Anyways, there are so many interesting China facts to share with you! In fact, we cumulated more than 10 facts about China. This is so far the most unique, the weirdest and the most exciting country we have ever been to. Let's talk more about the traditional Chinese culture.

Interesting China facts #1

### Weird table manners

Something that you have to avoid in most countries in the world is totally acceptable in China. This fact about China is just like in [Vietnam](#), spitting, yawning, grunting and burping are normal behavior when you eat in China.

For us, it was extremely disgusting and we couldn't get used to it. Maybe if we stay in this country a little bit longer, it would be easier for us to tolerate it.

China interesting facts #2

### Children toilet etiquette

This fact about China is really weird! Pampers are not popular in China. Most children wear special pants with a big hole bottom. When they feel they need to

make a poo or pee, they just squat and do it wherever they want.

And this is what you call an eco life!

Interesting China facts #3

## **World's most populated country**

China is the most populated country in the world (with more than billion people in 2016).

Here's what this fact about China REALLY means:

- The population of China is more than 4 times bigger than the population of the US
- One in every 5 humans is Chinese
- Chinese is the most popular language on the world (based on the number of native speakers)
- 14% of people in the world speak Chinese

China interesting facts #4

## **One of the biggest countries in the world**

In contrary to most people think, China is not the biggest country in the world.

It's 4th after Russia, Canada and the United States.

Russia is almost 2 times bigger than China!

If you are wondering where is China located in the world, it's located in Eastern Asia.

Do you know the official name of China? It's actually "People's Republic of China". Also, do you know China capital and currency? The Chinese capital is Beijing and the local currency is Renminbi.

Interesting China facts #5

## World's largest army

The Chinese army has the biggest number of soldiers in the world (more than 2 million people).

Just to compare- it's the same as the population of Paris.

China interesting facts #6

## Panda owners

The next China fun fact is that China is the owner of all pandas. Literally, all of them! Every single panda that lives on this world belongs to China. All China pandas live in Chengdu, the capital city of [Sichuan](#), and taking one of - the most popular [Chengdu Panda tour](#) with a local travel agency is a must when you are visiting this region.

If you see a panda in other countries, it means it is lent from PRC (People's Republic of China). What's interesting, when a baby panda is born, it is sent to China (always by FedEx) to help expand the gene pool.

Interesting China facts #7

## Virginity rescuers

Another China fun fact is that restoring virginity is possible and quite popular in China. This plastic surgery even has a medical name- hymenorrhaphy.

Chinese women pay a lot of money for reconstructing their hymens before the wedding night. They just don't want their future husbands to find out that they are not virgins anymore...

China interesting facts #8

## Traffic jam business

China is the most populated country in the world. No wonder they have huge traffic jam problems.

What to do when you are late for your meeting and you are stuck in a traffic jam? You are calling the bottleneck rescuers! Two guys will come to you on a motorbike. One will drive you whenever you want and the other will take your place in a car.

Clever, huh?

Interesting China facts #9

## Relics of the past

It is unbelievable but 35 million Chinese people still live in caves!

They don't have enough money for building a house, so they are using caves as their shelters.

China interesting facts #10

## Late sunrises

The next China fun fact is that it's a huge country with only one-time zone! That's why in some places the sun rises even at 10AM.

In the past, China has 5 different time zones. But in 1949 the Communist Party leaders decided to set one time for the whole country. Since then, everybody is using an official Beijing time.

Interesting China facts #11

## Chinese New Year's fiesta

Chinese New Years is the biggest holiday in China. It is celebrated in January or February and it's the *real holiday* for everybody. Almost nobody is working, everyone is going back home to celebrate this happy time with their families.

Chinese New Years celebration lasts for 15 days!

Nothing can be compared to this. It's really unusual that the whole country is having a holiday for such a long time.

What's interesting, Chinese New Years is celebrated in many other countries in the world. Considering the huge population of China, it is very likely that the Chinese New Year is even more popular than [Christmas](#)! It's a traditional Chinese holiday you should experience once in your lifetime.

Let's talk about Chinese new year greetings to help you figure out what to say on this traditional Chinese holiday.

Chinese New Year greetings go like this: "Xin Nian Kuai Le" which basically means "Happy Chinese New Year".

Another Chinese new year greetings would be like this: "Gong Xi Fa Cai" which means "Happy Lunar New Year".

Here are a couple of fun facts about the Chinese new year calendar:

- In the Chinese new year calendar, the Chinese New Year Date always changes.
- The Chinese new year calendar also has a zodiac animal each year.

Interesting China facts #12

## **Births restriction**

China is the only country in the world where the reproduction is limited. Until 2015 Chinese couples could have only 1 child. For more than a year now, they can have 2 children.

It's actually an extremely interesting subject for us, so we wrote another post about one-child policy in China. You can read it [here](#).

Interesting China facts #13

## **The empire of pigs**

Half of the pigs on the world belong to China! On an average day, Chinese people consume 1.7 million pigs.

If you want to get snacks from all over the world directly to your home—>

click [here](#).

China interesting facts #14

## **Multi-religious country**

Due to the huge population of China, almost every religion of the world is adhered there. The most popular are Taoism, Confucianism and Buddhism.

An interesting fact is that there are more Christians in China than in [Italy](#)!

Interesting China facts #15

## **Ice creams inventors**

Who doesn't love ice creams? We can eat this delicious dessert thanks to China. It is believed that they first made it more than 4000 years ago by mixing milk, rice mixture with the snow.

China interesting facts #16

## **Medical geniuses**

Nowadays, we all know that the blood is circulating in our veins. But it wasn't so obvious in the past.

European scientist William Harvey was proud to announce this in 1628. He didn't know that Chinese people discovered it... more than 2000 years before him!

Interesting China facts #17

## **Mathematical geniuses**

It isn't a big secret that Chinese people are one of the best mathematics in the world.

History of mathematics in China dates back to 11th century BC! Thanks to China we know today the decimal and binary systems, geometry and algebra.

China interesting facts #18

## Architectural geniuses

It is a commonly known fact that the world's biggest man-made structure is situated in China. [The Great Wall](#) is not visible from the space but it's still impressively long- 8,850 km (5,500 miles).

The most famous imperial palace in China called The Forbidden City has more than 9,000 rooms! This is definitely one of the traditional Chinese places you should visit while in China.

Interesting China facts #19

## Gods of war

Chinese people were the first to use gas and chemical weapons during the war.

Europeans did the same... 2,000 years after them! These kinds of weapons were used during World War II.

When it comes to WWII, it's worth to mention that Shanghai in China was the world's only port that was accepting Jews running away from the [Holocaust](#) without an entry visa.

Another interesting fact about Chinese war skills is that they invented kites to frighten their enemies more than 3,000 years ago.

China interesting facts #20

## The longest continuous civilization on the world

Last but not least- China is the world's longest continuous civilization. It began about 6000 BC and last until today.

Here are a few Ancient China facts:

- Ancient China had the longest lasting empire in history.
- The Last Emperor of China became ruler when he was still a toddler - he was only 3 years old.
- The four greatest inventions of Ancient China are Gunpowder, paper, printing and the compass.

Interesting China facts #21

## Chinese Grammar is actually not that complicated

Chinese grammar can seem complicated, but it can also be basically simplified Chinese. To give you an example, in the Chinese grammar the verb tenses don't dramatically change which makes it easier.

Let's discuss a few simplified Chinese words to help you get around:

Hello in Chinese: *Ni Hao*

Bye in Chinese: *Zàijiàn*

Good night in Chinese: *Wan'ān*

Here are a few other words in simplified Chinese:

Cool in Chinese: *Liáng*

Fun in Chinese: *Kāiwánxiào*

Chinese New Year in Chinese: *Zhōngguó xīnnián*

China interesting facts #22

## China is known for its unique hotels

Book a unique hotel and make the most of China while you're there.

Located in Shanghai, The Waterhouse At South Bund provides a unique experience. With its ancient vibes and its modern twists, you will likely enjoy your stay Check out the latest prices for—> [The Waterhouse At South Bund](#).



Located in Beijing, the Commune by the Great Wall is the perfect spot for those who want to enjoy luxury surrounded by nature. Check out the latest prices for—> [Commune by the Great Wall](#).

Located in Shenzhen, Yideng Theme Hotel provides themed rooms. Some of them are pretty quirky and unique. Check out the latest prices for—> [Yideng Theme Hotel](#).

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