

## **Chiayi City Tourist Map**

A great place for a taking it easy.



Chiayi City's proud memory in baseball history!

The "Kano Baseball Team," consisting of Taiwanese, indigenous peoples, and Japanese players, was established in the 1930s. In 1931 they prevailed against all odds, working hard and not giving up on a single ball, and beat the Taipei Commercial School Team, a team comprised of Japanese players that were the favorites to win. They became the first team south of the Zhuoshui River to win he Taiwanese championship. The team then represented Taiwan at the Japanese High School Baseball Championship. The perseverance and unyielding spirit of the Kano Baseball Team touched everyone and become known as the "Kano spirit"!

After the Kano Baseball Team won the Taiwanese championship, the team triumphantly marched from the Chiayi Train Station to the Central Fountain, cheered on by the people of Chiayi City. The Chiayi City Municipal Baseball Stadium of today is the location where the Kano players practiced many years ago. With this map in hand, you can travel the city and reminisce on the past.





Chiayi City 

Alishan National Scenic Area (Fenchihu, Alishan) - Chiayi County

Chiayi City 

Southwest Coast National Scenic Area (Southern Branch of the National Palace Museum, Dongshi Fisherman's Wharf, Budai Harbor Fish Market) - Chiayi County

Chiayi City <del>₹</del> Siraya National Scenic Area (Baihe, Guanziling, Wusanto Reservoir Scenic Area) - Tainan City

Chiayi City 

Penghu National Scenic Area (Penghu) - Penghu County

# A City of Trees and Forest Settlements



(Alishan Forest Village and Hinoki Village)
(Dormitory for the Kano baseball players)

For human beings, the north gate station is the starting point of the forestry railway. After stepping out of the north gate station and visiting the privately renovated Yushan Hostel Cafe, you enter a settlement full of old trees and black tiles. These were the dormitories for the forestry department when Taiwan was under Japanese rule. Built completely of Taiwanese cypress, these facilities, including bathhouses, offices, reception halls and clubs, form the first forest settlement in Taiwan, and also the most accommodating one. The settlement is currently arranged as "Hinoki Village." Compared with the dormitory of the baseball players in the KANO movie, it is quite similar, isn't it?





Hinoki Village

Alishan Forest Railway Garage Park



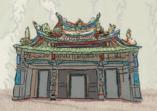
Historical Relic Museum (Kagi Shrine purification hall and shrine office)



Chiayi Park(Kagi Shrine Ritual Equipment Storehouse and guardian lion statues)

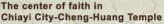
But for trees, the north gate area marks the end of the road. The giant, sturdy logs were loaded at the Alishan forest area and reached this area after a bumpy journey down the mountain. The logs were rolled down the unloading platform into a storage pool (near the current Cultural Affairs Bureau) for merchants to purchase, and then shipped to saw mills to be cut down to manageable sizes. The trains used for moving the logs, on the other hand, went to the repair factory (now the Alishan Forest Railway Garage Park) for maintenance. In the past, this area was part of the glory of a city devoted to forestry. Now, it has become the Alishan Forest Village, with performance areas like the Song of the Forest Park and Museum, the Cultural Affairs Bureau, and the music hall, where a variety of cultural events take place on a weekly basis. This area is at the forefront of Chiayi's cultural movement, and shoulders the difficult task of spearheading a cultural renaissance.





## **Old City Tour**

(East Market-Cheng-Huang Temple)





This "Temple of Yin, Mansion of Yang" is at the heart of old Chiayi City. The "Mansion of Yang" refers to the feudal government office, which was demolished in an earthquake long ago. It was located right where the East Market is today. The "Temple of Yin" refers to the Cheng-Huang Temple, which educates the masses in morality and the endless cycle of night and day, yin and yang. We suggest you start with the Cheng-Huang temple, the heart of religious faith in Chiayi, and after paying your respects, exit the temple from the side door, crossing the line between yin and yang (Guangcai Street) into East Market's food area, where you will be met with steam and delicious-smelling aromas from the nearby vendors. Whatever their specialization, be it spring rolls, beef tripe soup, four spirit soup, or fried pork chop, each stall features traditional flavors passed down through the generations. The stalls close as soon as they run out of food, so be there early!



Century-old cypress-East Market



East gate roundabout(Chiayi City East Gate Ruins)

If you are a backpacker with lots of luggage, we suggest you enter the Second Way from the Liberty Bell across from Chiayi Station. That's where locals like to ride bikes and take walks, where there are fewer traffic lights. There are many hostels here, where you can stay for a few hundred NTD per night. Keep walking east and you'll begin to see traditional wooden or pebble-covered houses and shops. Many of the phone numbers on the signs here retain the 4-digit numbers of the past, creating an atmosphere of old buildings given new life. So why not begin your exploration of these traditional streets from the friendly cultural space "Second Way 672," before passing Guohua Street and Wenhua Street to visit the West Gate Ruins. Pass through West Gate onto Zhongzheng Road, and you'll find a different cultural atmosphere, with the street lined with general stores and shops selling Buddhist sculptures or items for worship. This is the road one must take to get from Chiayi Station to Cheng-Huang Temple and East Market.

Famous baseball store: Sanyodo Bookstore

Sanyodo Bookstore, which has appeared many times in the movies, once sold books, magazines, stationary, art supplies, and school science equipment. Later the store also began to sell full sets of baseball equipment and provide radio play-by-plays of baseball games for free. Every time a Chiayi team would play, crowds wanting to listen to the game would gather outside the store and add to the baseball craze. The store's headquarters is located in the 6th Area of North Gate District (now the intersection of Zhongshan Road and Xingzhong Street), while a branch store is located in the 3rd Area of Saka District (now the intersection of Zhongshan and Minsheng roads). Now, regrettably, the scene remains only in memory.





## **The Lifelines of Chiayi**

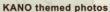
First Way (Zhongshan Road) Second Way (Zhongzhen Road)

[Movie setting: Chiayi Station (Chiayi Train Station), Central Fountain]

Over the century, the most prosperous area of Chiayi has been the path from Chiayi Station passing through the First Way (Zhongshan Road) and ending at the fountain roundabout. The second most prosperous area is called Second Way (Zhongzheng Road). These two roads are the lifelines of the city.

All along the First Way are trendy stores packed with people, and at the center of it all is a colorful fountain. This is the heart of the city from which its network of roads fan out. Take Guanghua Road to get to the south gate roundabout; take Gongming Road past the east gate roundabout to get to the baseball field where the Kano team once practiced; take Zhongshan Road pass the city government to reach Chiayi Park, and at night, Wenhua Road transforms into a night market where you can find all kinds of local snacks. If you're driving, just remember these roads and you'll be able to explore the whole urban landscape of the Chiayi City center.







Travel along Second Way Old house on Zhongzheng Road

After filling your stomach, you can visit the Shuangjhong Temple with golden dragon pillars and divine horse statues. The large east market spans all the way from the South Gate roundabout to the East Gate roundabout.

- (1) Travel around South Gate: Go south, explore historical sites like the Red-hair Well, the Confucian Temple, and the South Gate roundabout. This area is known for its fresh produce and other foods.
- (2) Travel around East Gate: Go east, and take a stroll on 'Doctor Street' (Gongming Road). Visit the East Gate Police Station, Official's Residence, and Dong'an Temple, before reaching the East Gate roundabout. Along the way you will see street vendors peddling their goods, and around East Market are stalls selling local snacks such as star fruit frozen desserts, sweet rice porridge, soy milk and tofu pudding, turkey rice, fried cakes, braised duck, rice cakes, tapioca, and vegetables; a horde of delicacies just waiting for you to try.

## **National Chiayi University**

A university with a museum-esque campus, the Lantan Campus of National Chiayi University features an insect museum, the Chiayi University Porcelain Painting Workshop, the Vincent Siew Museum, a botanical garden, an animal testing area, and a model farm.

In order to continue the honorable history set by the Kano baseball team of the university's predecessor, the Kagi Agricultural and Forestry School, to vitalize Chiayi's role as the home of baseball, and to remind the people of the glorious history of baseball in Taiwan, the campus also displays KANO related historical documents and artifacts, such as the Kano baseball team's 1931 runner-up trophy (replica) from the Japanese High School Baseball Championship, precious historical photographs, KANO memorabilia, and signed baseballs. In 2014, the KANO Baseball Memorial Park was added to Lantan Campus. The park features a "Koshien Baseball Memorial" commemorating the team's runner-up win, and a KanoofThe World "Koshien Memorial Trophy." Baseball player cut-outs at the park allow visitors to take pictures and relive the glory of the Kano Baseball Team's runner-up title at the 1931 Koshien.

You can also sample many products created by the students and faculty, such as: dairy products like ice creams and yogurt, all worth a taste. We suggest a one-day trip to Chiayi University. You are sure to enjoy a meaningful tour where environment, art and culture, and healthy lifestyle are all represented.





#### **Transportation**

- Exit National Highway No.1 at the Chiayi Interchange, and take Beigang Road to reach the city center. Take Zhongshan
  Road after passing the Jiaxiong Pedestrian Bridge, and straight ahead of you will be Chiayi Park. Turn on Zhongxiao
  Road to reach Hinoki Village, the Cultural Affairs Bureau, museums, the Koji Pottery Exhibition Room, and other tourist
  areas.
- . Exit National Highway No. 3 at the Jhuci Interchange or Jhongpu Interchange to reach Chiayi City.
- After taking Taiwan Railway to Chiayi Station, you can take the Alishan Forest Railway to North Gate Station and, from there, walk to Hinoki Village, the Cultural Affairs Bureau, museums, the Koji Pottery Exhibition Room, and other tourist areas.
- Take the HSR to Chiayi Station, then board the BRT, which stops at the back section of the Taiwan Railway Chiayi Station, Shin Kong Mitsukoshi Far East shopping center, Wenhua Road intersection (Wenhua Rd. Night Market), and Chiayi Park, among others.

6 : 00 - 23 : 40(Chiayi Park ↔ Chiayi County Gymnasium)Runs every 20 minutes

Rush hour: 06:00-08:00 & 16:00-18:00

(back section of the Taiwan Railway Chiayi Station ↔ HSR Chiayi Station)Runs every 10 minutes.

#### **Travel Information**

- Chiayi Train Station Travel Information Center
  - Tel:05-2256649
  - Address: No. 528 Zhongshan Road, Chiayi City
  - Service hours: Monday to Sunday, 8:00-17:00



Chiayi City Tourism Website

#### **Transportation**

- Chiayi City Transit Center (near Engagement Bridge)
  - Tel: 05-2333272 Address: No.1, Jhongsing Road, Chiayi City
- Chiayi Train Station
  - Tel: 05-2228904 Address: No. 528, Zhongshan Road, Chiayi City
  - http://www.railway.gov.tw/chiayi/
- Alishan Forestry Railway North Gate Station
  - Tel: 05-2768094 Address: No. 304, Zhongxiao Road, Chiayi City
  - https://www.railway.gov.tw/Alishan-tw/
- Taiwan HSR Chiavi Station
  - Tel: 4066-3000 Address: No.168, Gaotie West Road, Taibao City, Chiayi County
  - https://www.thsrc.com.tw/index.html
- Chiayi Bus, BRT
  - Tel: 05-2750895 Address: No. 635, Daya Road, Chiayi City
  - https://www.cibus.com.tw/
- Chiayi County Bus Service Administration
  - Tel: 05-2788177 Address: No. 635, Daya Road, Chiayi City
  - https://www.cybus.gov.tw/
- Bicycle and scooter rental: There are many stores where you can rent scooters in front of the train station; bicycles may be rented for free at the train station and transit station.
- Chiayi City Service Hotline: 1999(24HR)

Travel around Chiayi on foot Eco-friendly and low-emissions