





3D2N Taitung Hot Balloon Festival Tour













# **Overview**

Taitung is situated on a small plain between the mountains and the ocean at the southern mouth of the East Rift Valley. This provides Taitung with not only spectacular scenery but also an ocean breeze that makes this tropical city surprisingly comfortable. Visiting Taitung during summer season can have a special experience of taking the hot air balloon. Visitors can enjoy the summer sunshine on the Luye Gaotai while watching hot air balloons float through air gracefully. It will be memorably enjoyable time for your summer trip in Taitung.

On the first day of your journey, your tour guide will pick you up at the designated Taipei hotel and transfer you to Songshan Airport. The flight from Taipei to Taitung is about one hour. After landing at the beautiful East Rift Valley Taitung, you are going to visit Xiaoyeliu first,. In the evening, you can enjoy the local music at Tiehua Music Village before heading back to hotel.

Next day, you will go visit the Taiwan Balloon Festival at Luye Plateau. There are two ways to experience the hot balloon. One is "Hot Air Balloon Rides" and the other is "Balloon Tethering Ride". First one will lead you to enjoy the beauty of mountains, rivers, fields and lakes. And the second one will lead you to tethering, inflating and operating the balloon onsite using a series of ropes hold the balloon in place, provides you the chance to experience the airborne adventure. After your hot air balloon adventure, you will continue your tour to visit Jialulan Recreation Area and Taitung Forest Park.

Your last stop in Taitung is Bunun Tribe Cultural Park. Among Taiwanese indigenous peoples, the Bunun was the first tribe known internationally. At the cultural park, you have a chance to hear live Pasubutbut performance, which is a sophisticated polyphonic harmony system that makes Bunun tribe recognized by the UNESCO. After the tour at cultural park, you will take the train back to Taipei.



















# Highlights



# 2016 Taiwan International Hot Air Balloon Fiesta

Taitung has high mountains, a rift valley, and ocean, here you can wander through a borderless natural classroom, let all your troubles behind and fully experience all this beautiful land, enjoying the pleasure of slow living. The first Taiwan International Balloon Fiesta was held in 2011, then in 2012, with the full support of Taitung County Government it was successful and today, the Hot Air Balloon is representing the unique travel activities in Taitung. Although it will take a long time and offer limitation of number of taking the hot air balloon, it also attracts many people to start wait in line from the early morning and willing to take a ride only for  $5{\sim}10$  minutes. Besides, you may sit at the high hill to enjoy all kinds of Hot Air Balloon in the air and enjoy the beauty of rift valley.



# Xiaoyeliu

You can explore amazing rocky formations here at Xiaoyeliu, such as shapes of a mushroom, tofu and coral reef. After a geological structure change, the gigantic sandstone shale became upside down and covered with coral reef. It is a result of inverted sandstone and mudstone layers. After years of sea erosion, it was developed a unique geological landscape.



# Jialulan Recreation Area

Jialulan Recreation Area is not far from Siaoyeliu Scenic Area. Formerly as the waste soil site when the air force constructed Jhihhang base airport. It was planned by the East Coast National Scenic Area Administration and later developed in ecological engineering methods. Now it has become a quite popular recreation area. Its annually held handicraft marketplace also receives a fervent response. Jialulan Recreation Area has become both a natural and artistic coast.













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# Tiehua Music Village

Tiehua Music Village, a creative haven for Taitung's emerging artists and musicians, is an intriguing attraction for visitors – whether domestic or international, to spend an afternoon or evening. The singers give natural and moving performances and there is also an art market to browse. You can enjoy life at a leisurely pace here while listening to the most beautiful voices in Taiwan.

## Bunun Tribe Cultural Park

The Bunun Tribe Cultural Park, founded by Bunun Foundation,was established by minister Bai, Kwang-sheng. With strong faith of "teaching others to fish and they will fish for a lifetime," Bai participated in the tribal reconstruction projects by founding this farm, in which villagers make a self-sufficient living while visitors may experience in-depth Bunun culture. At the park, there are bed-and breakfast inn, a theatre, a café and an ecopark. What visitors must not miss is the performance at the tribal theatre, where various shows are available, from Pasubutbut (the eightpart harmonic singing) to traditional tribal dancing and singing.



# **Taitung Forest Park**

Taitung Forest Park which is also called "Black Forest" by Taitung residents for its immense dark beefwood trees. In the woods lies a serene lake fed by the gushing spring at the estuary of Beinan Creek, called Pipa (Chinese lute) Lake, because it has the shape of two connected water bodies, a small one and a large one. The scenic Pipa Lake is a habitat of aquatic animals and plants, and by the lake are a viewing platform and a cabin that overlooks the waterfowl.













# Day 1 【Taipei - Taitung】



Pick up at Designated Taipei City Location - Transfer to Taipei Songshan Airport - Arrive at Taitung - Xiaoyeliu - Tiehua Music Village - Overnight at Taitung Hotel

\*\*Suggested Flight Uni Air 8721 (ETD:10:00 / ETA 11:00). Travelling time from Taipei to Taitung is about 1 hour. Final flight is subject to change.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

X Own arrangement

Hotel: Luminous Hot Spring Resort & Spa - Taitung (5\* or similar)

# Day 2 [ Taitung]



Pick up at Hotel - Taitung- Luye High Land(Hot Air Balloon Fiesta)-Taitung Forest Park- Jialulan Recreation Area – Back to Hotel

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

Hotel Own arrangement Own arrangement

Hotel: Luminous Hot Spring Resort & Spa - Taitung (5\* or similar)

## Day 3 Taitung - Taipei



Pick up at Hotel - Bunun Tribe Cultural Park Tour (Leather DIY experience of key ring, wristband and archery activities.) - Transfer to Taitung Train Station - Arrive at Taipei Main Station - Tour Ends and Self Arrangement Afterwards

% Suggested Train #441 (ETD 17:50 / ETA: 21:20). Travelling time from Taitung to Taipei is  $4\sim5$  hours depends on train type. Final train is subject to change and cannot request specific train type.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

Hotel Tribe Meal Own Arrangement

Hotel: X











#### **LENGTH OF TOUR**

3 Day, 2 Overnight

#### **VEHICLE TYPE & RESTRICTIONS**

01 – 06 PAX – Volkswagen Caravelle

07 - 08 PAX - Volkswagen Crafter

08 - 19 PAX - Mini Bus

20 - 41 PAX - Tourist Coach

Selection of vehicle depends on group size

#### PREFERRED LANGUAGE OF TOUR GUIDE

Mandarin, English, France, German, Thai, Cantonese, Russian, Japanese, Korean, Spanish and others.

#### **INCLUDED**

- ➤ Transportation (local charter van, one—way domestic flight from Taipei to Taitung, one-way train ticket form Taitung to Taipei)
- > Tour Guide & Driver 's service fee
- Accommodation for 2 Nights
- Tickets: Bunun Tribe Entrance fee
- Meals: Group meal minimum 10 pax
- ➤ Insurance: NTD \$2,000,000 Liability & NTD \$30,000 Medical insurance Per Person

#### **NOT INCLUDED**

- ➤ Shopping Stops: Absolutely No Shopping Stops Unless Directly Requested by Clients.
- > Tour Guide & Driver 's tips
- ➤ Hot Air Balloon fee, DIY fee in Bunun Tribe

### **REMARKS**

Lion Travel reserves right to modify itinerary without prior notice in cases of unforeseen operational difficulties or due to force majeure.

#### QUOTATION

Please contact us for an accurate quotation.

#### **PAYMENT METHODS & TERMS**

- Bank Wire Transfer (In USD)
- Credit Card Authorization (In NTD)

50% of total fare to be deposited no later than agreed upon deadline informed by your service personnel to guarantee reservations

Fare to be paid in full no later than 5 working days prior to start of tour

If itinerary is confirmed less than 5 working days before start of tour, then fare must be fully paid to guarantee reservations

#### **CANCELLATIONS TERMS**

Over 07 Working days prior to start of scheduled tour - Full refund of deposit minus incurred costs previously authorized by payee

06-04 Working days prior to start of scheduled tour - forfeit 70% of total fare

00-04 Working days prior to start of scheduled tour - forfeit 100% of total fare

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