

# China Arrival Setup Bundle

A practical, printable arrival plan for first-time China travelers. Use this after confirming current entry, payment, airline and transport requirements from official sources.

## Your arrival-day command sheet

- Passport, visa or transit evidence, onward travel and hotel details are available offline.
- Hotel name, Chinese address, phone number and map pin are saved in two places.
- Phone, cable, power bank and mobile-data activation steps are in hand luggage.
- A primary payment method, backup card and modest RMB cash reserve are ready.
- Airport or station transfer, pickup point and fallback route are confirmed.

## How to use this bundle

Complete the checklists before departure. On arrival, solve only the next practical task: get data, open your saved hotel address, reach the hotel, and test one small payment. Do not enter passport or card numbers in shared notes, forms or unknown links.

# Payments and app setup

## Before you fly

- Install Alipay or another primary payment option and follow the current verification prompts.
- Prepare a second card from a different issuer where possible.
- Install translation, map, ride-hailing and rail-support apps you actually need.
- Save your passwords and recovery route securely; do not rely on SMS access at the airport.
- Create an offline screenshot folder for reservations, addresses and insurance details.

## If a payment or app fails

- Step aside from the counter, check battery and data, then try one backup method.
- Ask whether the merchant can scan your payment code if scanning theirs did not work.
- Use cash or a physical card for the urgent purchase, then troubleshoot on stable Wi-Fi.
- Do not repeatedly retry an issuer-declined card; check bank alerts and limits later.

# Transport, hotel and emergency backup

## Arrival-to-hotel plan

- Confirm the exact airport, terminal, railway station or border port - not only the city name.
- Save the hotel address in Chinese, the front-desk phone number and a map pin.
- Record the ride-hailing pickup point, public-transport option and one simple fallback.
- For trains, match the ticket to the passport you will carry and check the exact departure station.

## Official verification reminders

- Check your exact entry path with official immigration or consular sources before travel.
- Check current payment-app, card-issuer, airline and rail policies before relying on them.
- Ask the carrier and immigration authority if your transit route or documents are unclear.
- Keep travel insurance and emergency contacts available offline, but protected from casual access.

## Disclaimer

This bundle is general travel-planning information, not legal, immigration, financial, medical, airline, payment-provider or transport advice. Requirements change and the final decision rests with the relevant authority, carrier, merchant or provider.