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## Brief Introduction of Zhaoqing City

Zhaoqing has jurisdiction over two districts, Duanzhou and Dinghu, two county-grade cities, Gaoyao and Sihui, four counties, Guangning, Deqing, Fengkai and Huaiji, and Dawang synthetic economical developing area, covering the area of 15 thousands square kilometers and accommodating the population of 377 million.

Zhaoqing is located in the middle and west part of Guangdong Province, the west part of the Pearl River Delta; and resides at the area from middle reaches to lower reaches of Xijiang. Zhaoqing City, facing Guangzhou, Hong Kong and Macau., and being situated at the front of the southwest of China, is the important hub of communication by which lead to Hong Kong and Macau. Passengers can arrive Hong Kong by through railway and fast-boat in four hours.

Zhaoqing is located at the Tropic of Cancer ,belonging to monsoon humid climate of the torrid zone in South Asia .It has abundant rainfall and sunshine ,annual average temperature here is 22°C, Besides, Zhaoqing City holds abundant mineral resources, until now, more than 50 mineral products have been surveyed including mainly gold, granite, marble and limestone, etc. Gold Products exceeds the 80 percent of total products of all over the province. Hetai gold mining factory can produce more than 10000 Liang.

Zhaoqing is a famous city of history and culture of China. There are more than 300 historic sites which are worth scientific researching including Mei Nunnery, Chongxi Tower, City Wall of Song Dynasty, Yuejiang Pavilion, Liqiao Pavilion, Gaoyao Studying Palace, Stove Inscription of Seven Star Cave, ect. Seven Star Cave is the landscape of lakes and mountains and its many beautiful things can make tourists take them all in hardly. Seven Peaks stand tall and upright over the surface of the lake which covers an area of 6.25 square kilometers, all scenic area which is around by mountains and lakes forms an wonderful natural phenomenon named as "the first marvelous spectacle in Lingnan" and "Fairy land in the world". Dinghu Mountain is named as "emerald on the Tropic of Cancer" and "living natural museum", United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultured Organization (UNESCO) established fixed position station "human and living beings biosphere". It is a holy place connecting traveling, preventing sunstroke, scientific research and religion.

Besides, long mountains in Fengkai, Yuecheng Ancestral Temple of Dragon's Mother in Deqing, Zhen Mountain in Sihui and Yan Grotto in Huaiji has always great fame in a long time. With the tour circle opening, domestic and foreign tourists come to Zhaoqing City in an endless stream. It is estimated that there are over 4 million who come to Zhaoqing annually.

Zhaoqing City abounds in agricultural products such as rice, high-quality fruit, mushroom which is exported, deep-processed products such as rosin, cassia bark, camphor, many local specialty and traditional practiced artifacts such as lotus and the most famous inkstone -Duanyan Inkstone.

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