## CHIAYI INSIDE OUT: FROM ART SPACES AND STREET FOOD TO MOUNTAINS AND SEA, A LOOK AROUND THE CITY FROM A LOCAL PERSPECTIVE 裏嘉義: 從藝文空間、 巷 弄小吃到山海風景, 走進在 地人眼中的生活角落

This atypical travel book is both local tour guide and travel companion, introducing visitors to interesting places other guidebooks don't mention. It also offers a modern interpretation of an ancient place, giving even locals familiar with the area a new understanding of their city's beauty.

*Chiayi Inside Out* is not your typical travel book – it could instead be called an anthology rich in the local creative spirit. Its young author now resides in and actively promotes her native Chiayi. Her zest for life and unique insights take the reader into Chiayi's hidden nooks, places even locals don't always know. We see a Chiayi we never imagined, both ancient and full of fresh ideas.

The book is divided into five thematic sections: art and culture, curated goods and aesthetic lifestyle, local foods and ingredients, hidden gourmet specialties, and nature and the out-of-doors. It also offers six exclusive routes, 105 scenic spots, and QR codes that link to Google Maps. The book's abundance of exquisite photos, in-depth local





Category: Travel Publisher: Delight Date: 7/2023 Rights contact: bft.fiction.nonfiction@moc.gov.tw Pages: 288 Length: 76,816 characters (approx. 49,930 words in English) knowledge, and ingenious design take readers on a trip through time from old to new Chiayi: enter buildings that exude history, such as the Southern Branch of the National Palace Museum and the Old Prison, then visit the most popular local temples and experience folk beliefs first-hand.

Along the way, readers can hear the fascinating story of an old brand's new life after a heritage shop's second generation took the helm; browse curated styles in stores catering to the younger crowd, then sit down in a speakeasy when they get tired of walking; or visit a centuryold traditional market to experience the epitome of local life, the good eats known only to residents, and Chiayi's unique condiments, including the best soy sauce pickles ever made.

Following in the author's footsteps, readers will discover a "Chiayi" that's more than just the Alishan mountain that made the city famous. From mountains to seaside, urban areas to suburbs, culture to nature, discover everything you need to eat, drink, and have fun!

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