

## **10 Reasons to come to Qingdao.**

Qingdao may not be as well known as the larger cities such as Shanghai and Beijing, but this modern metropolis has a lot going for it!

### **1) Beer**

You can drink a Tsingtao at any of Qingdao's many local bars, restaurants and nightclubs, but going to the source is worth a visit. The Tsingtao Brewery, originally established by Germans in 1903 is still here today where you can take a tour of the brewery and have a few complimentary glasses of freshly brewed beer.

### **2) Beaches**

Great weather, blue skies, fresh air and beautiful beaches make Qingdao the number one summer vacationing destinations in China. Either head bathing beach number one to see the huge crowds or visit one of the more private beaches along the coast.

### **3) Nightlife**

Qingdao has very large expat community, which has attracted bars, nightclubs and live music and comedy events to be come to the ever-expanding city. Take a look at [www.myredstar.com](http://www.myredstar.com) to get an idea of the activities and events in Qingdao.

### **4) Entertainment**

Movie theaters, shopping malls, theme parks, opera, comedy clubs, live bands, outdoor sports, swimming, sailing, cycling and many many more exciting activities are on offer for you to take part in.

### **5) Great Food**

Being located right on the coast of the Shandong peninsula means you will have plenty of opportunity to indulge in some wonderfully fresh seafood. Also, thanks to the large community of Korean, Japanese and Western expats, there are plenty of restaurants offering all types of excellent food!

### **6) Environment**

Had enough of all the beer, partying and food? Then get out to Laoshan Mountain and soak in the amazing views. Or you could take a walk around the old town which features tree lined streets and beautiful German villas.

Then of course there is Zhang Shan Park, and the many beaches where you can take part in sports or just relax in the sun.

### **7) Travel**

Qingdao is located between both the capital city of Beijing and the multicultural southern city of Shanghai, and thanks to the new fast rail link getting to these cities at the weekends is just a matter of hopping on the train for a few hours, or taking a plane from the Qingdao international airport.

### **8) Shopping**

Qingdao's ever growing population of 7.5 million people has encouraged large shopping malls and large brand name stores to open such as H&M, Harley Davidson, Apple, Zara, plus many more up market brands from the likes of Gucci and Armani.

If you are on a budget you will also like the large indoor markets and night markets where you can pick up a few fashion bargains.

### **9) Cheap**

Despite being a growing city with a large international community and ever growing and expanding shopping district, Qingdao has a much lower living cost than Shanghai or Beijing, meaning you can live a very comfortable life while keeping on a budget.

### **10) Come and you will see!**

Qingdao has everything you could imagine plus more. From traditional Chinese temples and old German villas all the way to modern entertainment complexes and shopping malls. Come to Qingdao and you will see what makes this city so great!