

# The Great Wall of China All Around the World

The Great Wall of China is a marvel and it is a sight that everyone has to experience at least once. Of course, if you can't manage to get there, you don't have to settle for National Geographic. There are several amazing replicas around the world, which are quite fascinating.



## **Cebu Taoist Temple, Philippines**

The main feature here is the temple, of course, which is a facility for those who want to worship as well as those who are just stopping by. Tradition is thoroughly entangled in the atmosphere. Walking barefoot and washing your hands are part of the rituals you will encounter. Also, it is common to drop two blocks of wood in front of you – if you find them the right way up, then you can make a wish. The entrance to the temple is a replica of the Great Wall of China. You can see a lot of work has been done here and as such it is a popular tourist attraction for those who come to Cebu City.

## **Foo Lin Kong Temple, Pulau Pangkor, Malaysia**

This is a Chinese temple, which attracts a lot of pilgrims from China who come to worship. However, the temple is also a popular place among tourists. Its tranquil setting with ponds and alcoves creates a peaceful atmosphere. Probably one of the most remarkable features is the Great Wall of China replica built next to the temple. It is obviously a mini-wall, but it is built in a really unique way to go with the whole setting.



## **Changxing Island, Dalian**

In the Eastern part of the Bohai Sea, you will come across the Changxing Island. The island is well worth a visit, with a lot of advances in reaching out to the tourism sector in the last couple of years. There is a beautiful golf resort, fantastic scenery as well as the chance to see lots of animals, which have been

protected. This is the perfect place to relax and get away from all of the hype that you associate bigger cities with. The Great Wall replica is found on the Hengshan mountain range on the Western part of the island. It was built in 1999 and is 10 km long, so you are definitely not going to miss it. You will find beautiful sculptures carved with detail on the sides of the wall. As you walk, you will head out towards the scenery and you will be able to appreciate beautiful firs and oaks as well as a fine view of the mountain.

### **Splendid China, Kissimmee, Florida**

Of course, the USA had to come up with a version of the Chinese Wall as well. Splendid China was actually a great theme-park overall, but if you head off there today you will probably find a closed sign at the front entrance with a lot of overgrown weeds. The park couldn't compete with Disney World and had to close. This is a pity because the local replica of the Great Wall of China was a great achievement. The replica is a half of a mile long and visitors can still explore its beauty.



### **Splendid China, Shenzhen, China**

This is yet another popular destination amongst tourists. It not only contains a replica of the Great Wall, but it has scaled down a number of versions of other historical buildings and sites. It is definitely an interesting place to visit especially for kids. The miniatures here are well-crafted to represent the originals. Landscapers have helped by making the gardens a place you can appreciate. The replica of the Great Wall of China is made with small green bricks and white stones. You will see three small sections here.

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