

FIELD GUIDE / COMPLETE EDITION

Beijing Shopping Field Guide

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Bring home tea, silk or something made for writing.

Plan a focused browse for jasmine tea, silk and calligraphy supplies. Check the exact branch, the materials and any tailoring or inscription arrangements.

8 places, with a reason to choose each

Four starting points from the free city guide plus four additional researched stops. Each card includes a fit, a reason to skip and a question that changes the purchase.

3 ready-to-adapt outings

Choose by interests and a spending cap. Each plan includes priorities, a fallback and something to cut when time or money is tight.

A kit for the shop counter

Recipient-matched gifts, bilingual questions, a worked comparison, packing decisions and a purchase record.

Research edition: 17 September 2026. Independent public-source research, not personal store visits. Prices, stock, access and opening hours are not live-verified. Route budgets are planning examples, not seller quotations.

01 / CHOOSE BEFORE YOU TRAVEL

Which stop earns its place?

Use this board to build a short list. The four additional stops are marked +; the complete guide also expands the original four.

01 Zhangyiyuan - Dashilar

A jasmine-tea drinker seeking a small, clearly labelled purchase.

Skip: Pass if the seller cannot identify the exact tea and weight being priced.

03 PAGEONE - Beijing Fun

A reader wanting an illustrated book connected to Beijing.

Skip: Pass on a large art book if its language or weight makes it impractical.

05 Neiliansheng - Dashilar +

A traveller who wants a usable Beijing-associated item and can try it on.

Skip: Pass on shoes bought only by a remembered size, or if the intended wearer is absent and fit cannot be checked.

07 Zhengyang Books - Xisi +

A reader, architecture enthusiast or returning visitor interested in Beijing's neighbourhoods.

Skip: Pass if you need a confirmed foreign-language title and staff cannot establish availability before a special journey.

02 Ruifuxiang - Dashilar

Someone choosing a silk accessory or able to allow time for fittings.

Skip: Pass on tailoring if collection or alterations extend beyond your stay.

04 Rong Bao Zhai

A calligrapher or someone who wants a clearly described art reproduction.

Skip: Pass if the seller cannot explain how the picture was produced.

06 Daiyuexuan - Liulichang East Street +

A calligrapher, brush painter or beginner who can describe the intended task.

Skip: Pass if the recipient wants ordinary stationery or cannot use and care for an ink brush.

08 Shengxifu - Dongsì hat-culture shop and museum +

Someone who already wears hats and wants to compare fit in person.

Skip: Pass if the wearer is absent, a rigid hat will not fit your luggage, or custom work cannot be collected before departure.

Route cards follow on pages 3–5. Detailed stop cards are on pages 6–13. Copyable Chinese addresses are embedded text; save the PDF on your phone before travelling.

02 / OUTING 1

Dashilar: fit first, tea second

For one usable gift and a small tea purchase in the same street. Hypothetical cap: CNY 700, not an estimate of shop prices.

Your spending cap: CNY 700

Illustrative allocations, not current store prices. Only costs explicitly listed below are included; budget separately for anything else. The cap is not a target.

Shoes, only if fit and price work: CNY 450 Sealed tea: CNY 150

Packing, break and unused reserve: CNY 100

1. Neiliansheng - Dashilar

Try both shoes before buying anything bulky. Ask about the selected sole, cleaning and returns.

2. Zhangyiyuan - Dashilar

Use the remaining planned tea allocation for one clearly labelled tea rather than upgrading the gift box.

3. PAGEONE - Beijing Fun

Optional Beijing Fun browse after a map check; keep this purchase-free unless you reassign unused money from the same cap.

If a stop does not work

If no shoes fit, retain the shoe money and finish with tea. Do not buy footwear for someone else merely to use the allocation.

Short on time or budget?

Cut PAGEONE first when the fitting takes longer than expected.

Before you head back

Leave with the chosen pair inspected, or no shoes, and the tea name and weight recorded.

03 / STOP 05 / ADDITIONAL SELECTION

Neiliansheng - Dashilar

Cloth shoes

Add a fitting session to the Dashilar tea-and-silk circuit. Neiliansheng is known for cloth shoes, including layered cloth soles, but the useful purchase is the pair that suits your foot and daily routine. Compare the actual construction of each model.

Best for

A traveller who wants a usable Beijing-associated item and can try it on.

Look for

Cloth shoes selected for fit and intended use.

Make this comparison

Compare sole construction and flexibility on two pairs. Choose for your intended surfaces and wear frequency rather than assuming every model uses the same traditional sole.

Walk away or skip when

Pass on shoes bought only by a remembered size, or if the intended wearer is absent and fit cannot be checked.

内联升（大栅栏店）

北京市西城区大栅栏街34号

34 Dashilar Street, Xicheng District, Beijing

One last check at the counter

Try both shoes with the socks you intend to wear. Check toe room, heel movement and the sole material, then ask how this exact pair should be cleaned and dried.

Beijing Tourism: Dashilar branch, address and cloth-shoe range

Research compiled September 2026. Reconfirm the exact branch before a special trip. Individual product stock and tax-refund participation are not guaranteed.