Arriving in China and Transferring to Jingdezhen

We are looking forward to meeting you! Travelling in China can be very exciting and we recommend learning about the culture and language before arriving. We can suggest www.ctrip.com for flight/accommodation information regarding your travel to Jingdezhen. Currently, there is one flight per day departing from: Shanghai, Beijing and Shenzhen to Jingdezhen. Shanghai is the closest international travel hub to Jingdezhen and the majority of all our residents fly in/out of Shanghai. The Pottery Workshop is able to make reservations for you at Motel 268, also known as Xiang Yang Hotel, on Xiang Yang North Road upon request. It is a modest establishment in a nice location. Another helpful website is www.travelchinaguide.com/cityguides/, lots of pertinent information.

Arriving in Shanghai

Shanghai has two airports, Pu Dong and Hong Qiao. Your flight to China will most likely arrive at Pu Dong Airport. You may wait for a taxi in the designated taxi queue just outside the airport doors. Give the taxi driver the printed name of your hotel in English and Chinese. The taxi fare should be about 180RMB to Xiang Yang Hotel. (Higher rate for taxi’s after 11pm) A more affordable option, and perhaps faster, is to take the super fast MAGLEV train from Pudong Airport and get a taxi from the designated
Longyang Road Station taxi rink to your hotel. (If you can handle your baggage!) The cheapest is subway or airport bus, but the subway includes many stairs and finding a taxi at your terminus may be challenging. In case you run into an emergency in Shanghai, please call Gao Yi Feng, manager at The Pottery Workshop, Shanghai at (021) 13816075295.

In case you are in imminent danger, call 110 for police assistance.

**Travelling to Jingdezhen from Shanghai**

Pay your bill and check-out of the hotel by 6:30AM. Taxi fee from Xiang Yang Hotel to Hong Qiao Airport is about 80RMB. The domestic flight from Shanghai to Jingdezhen is from **Hong Qiao Airport Terminal 2**. Shenzhen Airlines ([global.shenzhenair.com](http://global.shenzhenair.com)) flight ZH9722 departs every day of the week around 9:25AM. Flight schedules change at any moment and there is only 1 flight to Jingdezhen per day. Please check baggage (20 kg max for checked baggage) and travel restrictions on airline website prior to travel.

*Please see below for phrases in Chinese to show your taxi.*

You can choose for your flight ticket(s) to be booked through The Pottery Workshop after we have confirmed your residency after receiving your deposit. Please keep in mind there is one flight per day to/from all cities servicing Jingdezhen. Departing Jingdezhen to Shanghai Hong Qiao is flight
number ZH9721, departing at 8:55pm daily. Allow enough time for your connecting international flight back home at the end of your residency. Tickets are E-tickets, so please proceed to the Shenzhen Airlines check-in desk and show your passport. At Hong Qiao Airport your flight will be listed as Shenzhen/Jingdezhen. Note that this flight continues onward to Shenzhen.

Money

Jingdezhen is a cash economy. A credit card may be used for paying for The Pottery Workshop Residency Program; fees may be applied for costs such as transportation, materials and use of studio equipment. Traveller’s Checks can be exchanged, but is very inconvenient. Debit/Credit cards can also be used at local ATM branches for withdrawing money (most convenient and a 2500RMB limit per ATM withdrawal is common). You may exchange major currencies at the Bank of China, but the currency must be in excellent/mint condition and the exchange process can be slow. **Check with your bank before leaving your country about withdraw limits, verify that your card can be used in China and notify your bank of your travel dates in China.**

Preparing for your Residency Program in Jingdezhen

- Please tell us if you have special needs regarding health, studio, housing and food and we can let you know if Jingdezhen can accommodate your
needs.

- If brewing your own coffee is a must, you should bring your own, either from your home country or Shanghai. We provide pour over coffee cones and instant coffee is available in our local supermarkets. (Our café has nice coffee, but we do not sell beans)

- Adequate amount of prescription drugs. See your doctor for recommendations.

- Over-the-counter drugs for colds, allergies, diarrhoea, mosquito repellent, etc. are available at local pharmacies. Western name brands are not available. Please ask our staff if you will be needing access to specific drugs or health products.

- More and more websites are being blocked by the Great Fire Wall of China. Please check sites that you will need to use during your residency, especially your email communications. You may have to purchase a VPN and set it up before arriving in China.

- Unlocked mobile phone can be used by purchasing a local SIM in Jingdezhen.

- Presentation materials, as you may be asked to give a public lecture to our community.