

Jilin Province

Capital – Changchun

Changchun is in China's northeastern "rustbelt" famed for its car production. The only major site of interest is the Puppet Emperor's Palace, the residence of the "Last Emperor" Pu Yi (1905-1967), whom the Japanese installed as the Emperor of Manchukuo (the Japanese controlled state post WWII). There is a Buddhist temple (Banruo Temple) dating to 1921.

Jilin means "Lucky Forest" ("Ji" Lucky, "lin" Forest) Jilin Province is known as "Eternal Spring" despite its brutal winter. There is much Japanese and Korean influence and culture in this area.

Interesting things to do and see

Changbaishan (Tall White Mountain) A mountain with tigers, deer, black bear, leopards, and sable among more than 200 varieties of wildlife. Innumerable hot springs and 1500 species of plants. At the very top is Tianchi (Heavenly Lake) – a view nothing short of miraculous.

Ice Lantern Festival – people from all over China come for the festival.

General's Tomb – granite pyramid built in the 4th century. It is seven stories tall, the base is about (10, 746 sq ft).

Pizza Hut across from the Walmart!!