

Fojoushan Park

There is a spot, which offers an amazing view over Taipei, but is not that well known nonetheless. The Fojoushan Park is easy accessible if you take the MRT Brown Line headed to the Taipei Zoo. You have to exit at Liuzhangli Station or Linguang Station. From there the Park entrance is only a fifteen minute walk away. It is located just in the Da'an district.

Once visitors have reached the entrance a very short hike, which actually is better described as walk, awaits them. No matter how you refer to it – the trail mainly consists of stairs. Taking these stairs will make you sweat when it is warm, but fortunately it is not really tough. After having climbed them you are rewarded with an absolutely stunning view over Taipei. Calling this view payback for the effort you put in would not do justice at all to the great landscape, which presents itself to the visitors. This spot is perfectly for taking a look over the city and to calm down since it is not that crowded. Also it might be a very good venue for a date or a just regular trip with friends.

You can take a long look at Taipei from above and also you are in the perfect position to take a photograph. In the middle of the photo might be Taipei 101. Maybe the Fojoushan Park is the best place for taking pictures of the Taipei 101. I personally do think you might be able to take a better photograph from up there than you could from the 'Elephant Mountain'. Even though, the Elephant



Mountain is way more popular. But the Fojoushan Park really does not have to hide at all. Another benefit is that due to the lower popularity the Fojoushan Park does attract way less visitors. This is creating a special feeling. You actually feel like you discovered a spot that is not part of every other tourist program.



Another interesting side fact is that the Fojoushan Park actually is connected directly with the Elephant Mountain. To those, who want to discover the trail connecting both spots, I recommend to bring some time. It could potentially turn into a day trip, if you take your time. And there will be no discussion whether it is a hike or a walk – it is definitely a hike.

A hike that will introduce you to an amazing nature located in a very populated city.