

CHINESE RAILWAY TIMETABLE

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INTRODUCTION

In 2001 I published the first edition of my Chinese Railway Timetable. This translates available timetable information into English, and also converts the information into the style of a British or European railway timetable, from the somewhat incomprehensible Chinese format. The timetable is now into its fourth edition, with the fifth planned for publication in December 2005. Further details of the timetable are given below.

The timetable is proving popular, but for many travellers, both potential and actual, it contains far more information than is required. I have therefore developed this timetable, which shows direct, generally air-conditioned trains running between a selection of major Chinese cities. The timetable is set out in the 'quick reference' format used in airline timetables. In addition two tables in the style of my Chinese Railway Timetable are included. Table 20T# shows the intensive express service between Guangzhou and Shenzhen, whilst Table 44 covers a very different railway in northern China, where it is still possible to travel nearly 1,000km in a train partly hauled by steam locomotives (although perhaps not for much longer). I hope that travellers who are not familiar with the use of railway timetables will find this timetable easy to understand; I welcome feedback as always.

This Quick Reference Timetable is based on the timetable that came into service in April 2005. The changes since April 2004 are not major but I have taken the opportunity to keep the timetable as up to date as possible. Table 20T# is updated to May 2005. Changes to train services can occur at any time (sometimes at short notice); itineraries should be confirmed locally whenever possible. This timetable may be updated as further information becomes available - check www.chinatt.org for the latest information.

For many travellers the information in this timetable will be sufficient. In particular it may give potential travellers the confidence to include rail travel in their plans. However I do hope that it may whet some travellers' appetite for more information about rail travel possibilities in China - if so they can now know where to find it!

Whatever your interest I hope you find the timetable informative and useful.

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THE CHINESE RAILWAY TIMETABLE

This quick reference timetable is made freely available to assist travellers with journey planning. It shows direct, air conditioned trains running between selected major cities in China. The trains in this timetable represent a small fraction of trains running in China. More information can be found in my Chinese Railway Timetable (April 2004 Edition), which lists every train shown in the official timetable (over 2,400) plus some others. The timetable contains many useful features, including an index map, an index (in Pinyin and Chinese characters) to the over 850 stations shown, information about travelling by train in China and a copyable, bilingual booking form to assist with the purchase of train tickets. A supplement to the timetable can be downloaded from www.chinatt.org, which brings the timetable up to the April 2005 service.

Full details of the timetable are at www.chinatt.org, or you can email me at mail@chinatt.org. Please put 'CTT' in the subject line to avoid the risk of deletion as junk email.

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CITIES COVERED BY THIS TIMETABLE

The Chinese characters on this page can be used to assist with buying train tickets.

The timetable shows trains between selected cities in China. It is divided into three parts as follows:

Part one covers trains between: Beijing, 北京
 Guangzhou, 广州
 and Shanghai 上海

Part two covers trains between Beijing / Guangzhou / Shanghai and the following cities:

Changchun	长春	Hangzhou	杭州	Shenzhen (for Hong Kong)	深圳
Changsha	长沙	Hong Kong (Jiulong)	九龙	Tianjin	天津
Chengdu	成都	Kunming	昆明	Wuchang	武昌
Chongqing	重庆	Nanjing	南京	Wulumuqi (Urümqi)	乌鲁木齐
Dalian	大连	Nanning	南宁	Xi'an	西安
Guilin	桂林	Qingdao	青岛	Zhengzhou	郑州
Haerbin	哈尔滨	Shenyang	沈阳		

Part three covers trains between the following city pairs:

Chengdu & Chongqing	Chengdu & Kunming	Chengdu & Xi'an
Chongqing & Xi'an	Dali (大理) & Kunming	Dalian & Shenyang
Guilin & Nanning	Kunming & Nanning	Wulumuqi (Urümqi) & Xi'an
Wulumuqi (Urümqi) & Zhengzhou		

HOW TO USE THE TIMETABLE

Trains shown in this timetable are air conditioned unless otherwise stated, and run direct between the places shown. Other journey possibilities may exist, either by non air conditioned direct trains or involving a change of trains. This timetable does not attempt to show all possibilities - full details are available in my 'Chinese Railway Timetable'. All trains shown in this timetable run daily except as shown. Where the day of arrival is not the same as the day of departure details are given in the notes column - see examples below.

Times shown in **bold** indicate that the train starts at (in the case of departure times) or terminates at (in the case of arrival times) the station shown. Where this applies to both departure and arrival the whole line is shown in **bold**. Reservations (and seats where reservations are not held) are often easier to obtain from the starting point of a train; boarding may also be a more relaxed experience than at intermediate stations.

The example below shows trains from Guangzhou to Shenyang in the left box, and from Shenyang to Guangzhou in the right box. Within each box a line of entry represents a train, in the form: Train number, departure time, arrival time and notes (if any). Some trains serve a station other than the main station; this is shown by a **bold letter** between the hours and minutes for the station - see examples below

EXAMPLE TABLE

Table numbers (in my full timetable)
applicable to this journey (in order)

SHENYANG

GUANGZHOU		SHENYANG		GUANGZHOU	
20,1	Train	dep	arr	Notes	
	T92	08 39	15b39	+1	
	T236	18d05	01b51	+2	
	T124	23d30	07 14	+2	
	T122	12 48	20d35	+1	Train arrives on day following departure
	T238	21b38	05d13	+2	Train arrives on second day following departure
	T94	22b20	05 15	+2	

BOLD type - train starts at Guangzhou and terminates at Shenyang - reservations may be easier to obtain on such trains

Light type - train terminates beyond Shenyang

b - bei 北 (north) station **n - nan** 南 (south) station
d - dong 东 (east) station **x - xi** 西 (west) station
 no letter - main station

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PART TWO (continued) - Trains between Beijing / Guangzhou / Shanghai and:

DALIAN

1.5 Train T225 T81	BEIJING dep 18 00 21 21	DALIAN arr 06 00 06 58	Notes +1 +1
5.1 Train T227 T83	DALIAN dep 18 08 20 24	BEIJING arr 06 00 06 08	Notes +1 +1
20.1.5 Train No direct service Travel via Beijing	Guangzhou dep 08 47 14 30	DALIAN arr 10 40 15 34	Notes +1 +1
5.1.20 Train No direct service Travel via Beijing	DALIAN dep 10 40 21 23	Guangzhou arr 11 48 21d09	Notes +1
15.1.5 Train T132	Shanghai dep 15 23	DALIAN arr 15 40	Notes +1
5.1.15 Train T131	DALIAN dep 11 32	Shanghai arr 11 31	Notes +1

GUILIN

20.21 Train K21 T5 K157	BEIJING dep 09x00 16x16 21x20	GUILIN arr 12 00 14 30 00 46	Notes +1 +1 +2
21.20 Train K158 T6 K22	GUILIN dep 01 00 15 06 19 26	BEIJING arr 06x12 13x38 23x05	Notes +1 +1 +1
20(S), 21 Train K36	Guangzhou dep 17 36	GUILIN arr 06 38	Notes +1
21, 20(S) Train K38	GUILIN dep 18 04	Guangzhou arr 07 20	Notes +1
18.21 Train K181 K149	Shanghai dep 16 53 17 10	GUILIN arr 18b53 20 58	Notes +1 +1
21.18 Train K150 K182	GUILIN dep 10 04 15b56	Shanghai arr 15 20 19 26	Notes +1 +1

HAERBIN

1 Train T71 1301 K265 T47 Z15 T17	BEIJING dep 08 30 10 30 14 00 17 30 20 30 21 05	HAERBIN arr 20 14 03 48 04 21 05 00 07 00 08 35	Notes +1 +1 +1 +1 +1 +1
1 Train T72 T18 Z16 T48 K340	HAERBIN dep 07 30 19 21 20 37 20 48 22 24	BEIJING arr 19 13 06 51 07 07 08 18 12 35	Notes +1 +1 +1 +1 +1
20.1 Train T236	Guangzhou dep 18d27	HAERBIN arr 09 17	Notes +2
1.20 Train T238	HAERBIN dep 17 12	Guangzhou arr 07d58	Notes +2
15.1 Train K56	Shanghai dep 09 07	HAERBIN arr 15 32	Notes +1
1.15 Train K58	HAERBIN dep 12 20	Shanghai arr 19 11	Notes +1

HANGZHOU

15, [18/ 15L] Train T31 Z9 K255 K101	BEIJING dep 15 50 18 53 23x19 23 30	HANGZHOU arr 07 00 08 23 19 57 21d22	Notes +1 +1 +1 +1
[15L/ 18] 15 Train Z10 T32	HANGZHOU dep 18 03 22 10	BEIJING arr 07 33 13 20	Notes +1 +1
20(S), 18 Train K48 K210 1312	Guangzhou dep 09 14 14 58 20 05	HANGZHOU arr 09d15 16 18 21d22	Notes +1 +1 +1
18, 20(S) Train K47 1311 1312	HANGZHOU dep 15d49 17d16 21d22	Guangzhou arr 12 15 18 30	Notes +1 +1 +1
18 Train K47 1311 1312	Shanghai dep Frequent service	HANGZHOU arr Frequent service	Notes Journey time c.2 1/2 hours Some trains serve Shanghai Xi or Meilong (Shanghai) and/or Hangzhou Dong
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HONG KONG (Juilong)

20,20T Train T97	BEIJING dep 12x47	HONG KONG arr 13 10	Notes +1 #
# - Alternate day service: On other days travel via Guangzhou			
20T,20 Train T98	HONG KONG dep 15 00	BEIJING arr 15x18	Notes +1 #
# - Alternate day service: On other days travel via Guangzhou			
20T Train T811	Guangzhou dep 08d35	HONG KONG arr 10 22	Notes
T801 T813 T361 T815 T817 T803 T819 T821 T823 T825 T827	Guangzhou dep 09d40 10d55 11d50 13d00 14d00 14d53 15d45 16d55 18d20 20d20 21d23	HONG KONG arr 11 20 12 37 13 38 14 47 15 48 16 25 17 36 18 41 20 07 22 12 23 00	Notes 10d07 11d10 12d45 13d47 15d15 16d07 17d11 18d25 18d47 19d48 21d00
20T, 20(S), 18 Train T824 T826 T828 T812 T802 T814 T362 T816 T818 T804 T820 T822	HONG KONG dep 07 30 08 25 09 25 11 00 12 15 13 25 14 20 15 26 16 38 17 15 18 06 19 15	SHANGHAI arr 09d15 10d07 11d10 12d45 13d47 15d15 16d07 17d11 18d25 18d47 19d48 21d00	Notes +1 #
K99	SHANGHAI dep 10 24	HONG KONG arr 13 10	Notes +1 #
# - Alternate day service: On other days travel via Guangzhou			
18, 20(S), 20T Train K100	HONG KONG dep 15 00	SHANGHAI arr 16 38	Notes +1 #
# - Alternate day service: On other days travel via Guangzhou			

KUNMING

20,22 Train T61	BEIJING dep 18x40	KUNMING arr 10 21	Notes +2
22,20 Train T62	KUNMING dep 22 02	BEIJING arr 13x27	Notes +2
20U, 21 Train K231 K365	Guangzhou dep 07d05 14 30	KUNMING arr 08 47 15 34	Notes +1
21, 20U Train K366 K232	KUNMING dep 10 40 21 23	Guangzhou arr 11 48 21d09	Notes +1
18,22 Train K79 K181	Shanghai dep 15 30	KUNMING arr 11 01	Notes +2
22,18 Train K80 K182	KUNMING dep 15 07	Shanghai arr 09 58	Notes +2

