

Following might be a list of helpful travel tips:

- Air travellers from an international location might find it much easier and cheaper to arrive in Shanghai Pudong airport (PVG) instead of Ningbo Lishe Airport (NGB).

- Local travel from Shanghai Pudong airport to Ningbo:

- 1. by High Speed Train from one of two: Shanghai Southern Train Station or Shanghai Hongqiao Train Station, The cost will be CNY116-172. Duration is 2-2.5 hours. Frequency is about hourly during the day. To transfer from Shanghai Pudong Airport to one of these two train stations, you can take airport shuttles #1 (to Shanghai Hongqiao Train Station) or #7 (To Shanghai Southern Train Station). The cost is about CNY36.

- 2. If taking a bus, travelers have to use airport shuttle 7 to Shanghai Southern Train Station, then take a long-distance bus there to Ningbo. The frequency is about 30 minutes during the day.

- Taxi and the platform cars i.e. DiDi on Apps, are also very safe and convenient to use. Take DiDi to Ningbo would cost about CNY1000 (equivalent to USD150) and recommend to car pool with others to lower the cost.

- Cell phone in China: China has three major cellphone carriers that support roaming with the major cell phone carriers in other countries, such as T-mobile, Vodafone etc.. Roaming in China using your home cellphone should be fine. You can also purchase a local data volume package from Chinese carriers during your visit. That might help you on high speed internet on your phone if your roaming service charge is too high.

- Local Electronic Payment Platforms: WeChat.com or AliPay.com. Both are very popular online/phone payment platforms in China. Both platforms are available in other countries too. Recommend the travelers to load CNY balances on one of these platforms before traveling to China. These can be used to purchase bus, train, airline, hotel, food, etc..

- Local currency in China: CNY -- It is much easier and cheaper to get exchange before departing from the travelers' home countries, It can also get exchanged in the airport or inside AliPay or WeChat. It would be much more time consuming to exchange cash inside China since it can only be done in major banks during their normal business hours.

- Safety: Travel in China is very safe in general. However, pocket lifting does happen for distracted travelers. So please be alert while you can be easily distracted by many things and learn your route and destination beforehand. Many Chinese do understand basic English and very helpful in major cities. So feel free to ask questions or directions.