

Walk to Huálín Píng (华林坪) Hui Muslim area

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There are two good starting points for this walk:

Option 1: Head east from the **West Bus Station** (西车站 Xī Chēzhàn), then south at the big flyover. You'll go first under a railway bridge (shared taxis for Linxia start here), and then reach a **railway level crossing**, passing 4 or 5 mosques along the way.

Or...

Option 2: Look out for the tall, green minaret of **Xiaoxihu Mosque** (小西湖清真大寺 Xiǎoxīhú Qíngzhēn Dàsì) on the main road, which runs east-west along the south edge of **Xiaoxihu Park** (小西湖公园 Xiǎo Xī Hú Gōngyuán). Head south through **Baishu Xiang Alley** (柏树巷 Bǎishù Xiàng, Lit. 'Cypress Alley'), past the impressive Baishu Xiang Mosque (柏树巷清真大寺 Bǎishù Xiàng Qíngzhēn Dàsì). After going through the railway underpass you can go left, right, or straight on. Use the map below, and aim for the **railway level crossing**.



Photo 1 Walking south from the West Bus Station



Photo 2 Baishu Xiang Mosque



Photo 3 Reading the Qu'ran

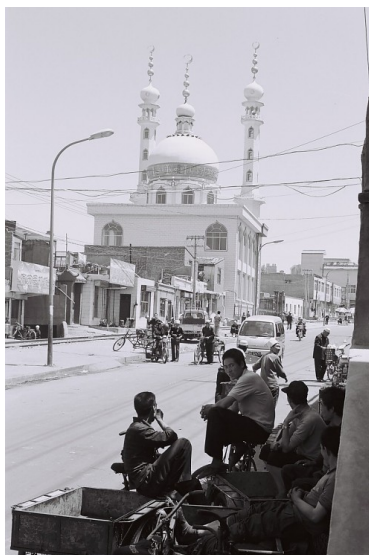


Photo 4 Gonglin Lu Mosque

At the level crossing: Cross over the railway line, then turn left (east) and walk up **Gōnglín Lù** (工林路).

This is the heart of **Huálín Píng** (华林坪), with several more mosques, outdoor markets and small restaurants.

At the top of the hill, you can turn left (north), back over the railway line, and follow the road back down to the city (see map).

Ling Ming Tang Mosque (灵明堂拱北 Língmíngtáng Gǒngběi) is a couple of km to the south of **Gōnglín Lù** (工林路).

Map of the walk. The blue lines show recommended routes:

