

Chinese Culture on DVD

中国文化系列

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Chinese Cuisine / Chinese Tea

中国饮食 / 中国茶



Chinese Cuisine enjoys wide popularity throughout the world. This documentary introduces 8 major cuisines of completely different tastes, focusing on the materials they use and their typical cooking requirements. You will enjoy the attractive color, vivid shapes and appealing tastes of these dishes. The program also recommends some special snacks and flour foods which enjoy great popularity in China.

DVD, 59 mins, Chinese soundtrack, Chi/Eng Subtitles, \$15.95

Chinese Gardens / Chinese Sculpture

中国园林 / 中国雕塑



Chinese garden culture enjoys a history of more than 3,000 years, with its own unique styles. This documentary introduces the architectural characteristics of the typical Chinese gardens, whose remarkable design embodies the idea of correspondence of man and universe.

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The Chinese Acrobatics / Chinese Lion Dance

中国杂技 / 中国舞狮



Chinese Lion Dance is a particular art form typical of Chinese culture. There are no lions living in China, but lion culture and lion dance are wide spread. This documentary focuses on introducing the skills and different Chinese lion dances. Chinese lion dance in the south is reserved and delicate, while it is majestic in the north. Enjoy these wonderful performances.

DVD, 59 mins, Chinese soundtrack, Chi/Eng Subtitles, \$15.95

Traditional Chinese Medicine / Chinese Wushu

传统中医 / 中国武术



Chinese Wushu or Kungfu is considered as the quintessence of China. It is typical of Chinese traditional culture pursued by Chinese to develop a strong body and a sound mind. This documentary introduces the development of Chinese Kungfu, including its different styles, weapons, and the legends of Shaolin Kungfu in China.

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Chinese Silk / Chinese Embroidery

中国丝绸 / 中国刺绣



China is the home of silk. This documentary demonstrates the development of the Silk Road by relating it to the cultural exchanges between China and western countries. Meanwhile, you will see the continuous development of Chinese silk craftsmanship and the various tastes in art of different dynasties.

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Chinese Paper-cuts / Chinese Kites

中国剪纸 / 中国风筝



This documentary shows you how Chinese kites came into being. By revealing the different kites in Nan Tong, Beijing and Wei Fang and the workmanship of the kites, this documentary explains historical literary allusions to Chinese kites and the variety of Chinese kites in the south and north of China respectively.

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Peking Opera / Chinese Traditional Painting 京剧/国画



This documentary gives an overview of the development of Chinese traditional painting by introducing the masterpieces of the most famous artists in history and their painting skills and the techniques they used.

The second documentary vividly describes the development of Chinese Beijing Opera, focusing on facial painting, arias, props and the appearance of actors in comedies and dramas.

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Chinese Folk Music / Chinese Folk Songs 中国民间音乐/中国民间歌曲



This documentary introduces Chinese folk music in depth, its development, its genres, and the Chinese people's musical skill. Even the earliest bone-carved flute is displayed. As well you will also enjoy different melodies played by unique Chinese folk musical instruments such as the Xiao (vertical bamboo flute), Flute, Sheng (a reed pipe wind instrument), Gong, Drum and Bamboo Clapper, etc.

DVD, 59 mins, Chinese soundtrack, Chi/Eng Subtitles, \$15.95

Chinese Imperial Costume / Chinese Cheongsams 中国皇帝服饰/旗袍



The history of human dress, in a sense, is the history of human civilization. In China, this includes the 56 nationalities of the country. In this documentary, the costumes of 13 representative minority nationalities are demonstrated, focusing on their color, pattern, design and the materials used, giving a mosaic of colorful dresses.

DVD, 89 mins, Chinese soundtrack, Chi/Eng Subtitles, \$15.95

Chinese Puppets / Leather Silhouette Show 中国木偶/皮影戏



This documentary starts from the Quanzhou International Puppet Festival. It shows the development of this folk art which was a favorite of Chinese emperors and aristocrats, the diversities of Chinese puppets and performances of Chinese puppets for thousands of years. Chinese puppets are symbolic of Chinese culture.

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Chinese Figures / Chinese Pottery and Porcelain 中国陶瓷/瓷器



Marco Polo spent 24 years in China and brought many curious treasures back to European countries. He told people stories about Chinese pottery and porcelain. This documentary displays the black pottery, Jun porcelain, Jingdezhen porcelain, brown earth pottery and porcelain carvings from these times which are regarded as national treasures.

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Chinese Dances / Nuo Dance / Yangge Dance 中国舞蹈/傩舞/秧歌



Chinese Yangge Dance is an old national dance, originally called the song of the sun, which is sung in the ceremony of sacrifice to the sun god. Yangge Dance spreads across regions including the areas of the Yangtse River and the Yellow River. This documentary demonstrates the origin of Yangge, its forms of performances, its different characteristics in the south and the north. A kaleidoscope of Chinese folk arts is displayed to you in this documentary.

DVD, 89 mins, Chinese soundtrack, Chi/Eng Subtitles, \$15.95

China: A Great Country in the East 中国: 一个伟大的东方国家

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Beijing Language & Culture University Press, 2005, CD-ROM, \$22.95 each

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