

# TEACH ENGLISH IN HANGZHOU

*Heaven on Earth*

There's a saying in China that goes: "Up there is heaven, down here are Hangzhou and Suzhou." Hangzhou is located on the coast of Eastern China and is the capital of Zhejiang province. It is a cultural, economic, and educational hub.

It is also one of the most famous tourist cities, thanks to West Lake, one of China's most famous natural landmarks.

During the Yuan dynasty it was called the most beautiful and luxurious city in the world by a famous Italian traveler Marco Polo. Having a long history of 2200 years, Hangzhou is one of seven ancient cities in China.

The city is not just famous for its beauty. The food here is simply incredible. Restaurants like The Grandma's and Green Tea give diners a wonderful taste of Zhejiang province, which is characterized as fresh and a little bit sweet.

## City Stats

**Population:** 8 million

**Public Transportation:** 2 major train stations, 1 international airport, 2 subway lines, hundreds of bus routes & taxis

**Language:** Mandarin, local dialects

**Climate:** Subtropical, with four distinct seasons

## Average Temperatures

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
°F	39	43	50	61	70	75	82	82	73	64	54	45
°C	4	6	10	16	21	24	28	28	23	18	12	7

## What makes Hangzhou EF unique?

- Considered one of the safest and cleanest cities in China
- Considered a major transit hub of China—teachers can go anywhere quickly and on the cheap from here
- West Lake, the key feature of the city is massive and adds lots of green splendor to the landscape. To admire the beauty of West Lake, visitors can leisurely bike, jog or walk along the paths that circumnavigate the lake
- There are a number of small mountains that surround the city, making Hangzhou a great place for people who love to hike. Tucked out-of-sight are many ancient temples and pagodas that are open to visitors
- Every year, people line up along the river that runs through the city to see a tidal bore, which often occurs in the fall
- Shanghai is only 1 hour away by bullet train

## Hangzhou EF Stats

EF Hangzhou Flagship opened in 2001

8 EF schools

Schools are accessible by subway or bus

Close-knit group of local and international teachers

## Useful Links

7 best restaurants in Hangzhou - <http://cnn.it/1thHEpf>

Fabulous Hangzhou (video) - <http://bit.ly/1t6ulj6>