





## *Initial Thoughts*

Location: I already know that Shanghai is the largest Chinese city by population and it sits on the Yangtze River Delta.

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# Location

*Elevation above sea level: 6 m = 19 ft*

Shanghai literally means the city by the sea. Shanghai is situated at 31°14' north latitude and 121° 29' east longitude, on the west shore of the Pacific Ocean. It is bordered on the north and west by Jiangsu Province, on the south by Zhejiang Province, and on the east by the East China Sea . Right in the middle of China's east coastline, Shanghai is an excellent sea and river port, boasting easy access to the vast hinterland.

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The hottest time here comes in July and August, with more than 10 days at temperatures above 35 C (95 F). The coldest time is from the late January to early February. The spring from March to May is recommended as the best time.

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## Reflection

I learned that Shanghai is situated at 31°14' north latitude and 121° 29' east longitude. Shanghai is divided into two parts by the Huangpu River, Puxi and Pudong. And 9.9 million people were immigrants by the end of 2013. In July and August, Shanghai weather can get as hot as 35 C (95 F) for 10 days.

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