



Travel Safety

fact sheet

Just like in all major cities of the world, tourists need to be aware of their own safety as they move around the streets. Cities in China are no different. Although crimes against tourists are rare, it is still possible to become victim to either of the two most popular crimes against unsuspecting tourists.



Counterfeit money is a problem in the busy markets. It will be very difficult to spot counterfeit notes and you are normally only aware once someone refuses to take the note off you. One way to try and avoid being given a fake 100rmb or 50rmb note is to have exact change for items in the markets. If the market seller tries to enter into a maths equation with you ... then they will be trying pass over

a fake bill. Change you money only at the bank or hotel and try to get smaller denominations if possible. The popular fake notes are 100rmb and 50rmb notes. Once you have a fake note, there is little you can do to get rid of it.



It can get very crowded in the markets and as such people will be constantly brushing up against you. It is a good idea to keep a close eye on your bag or wallet while in the markets. If you are wearing a backpack, put it on backwards so the pack is in front of you. There are simple precautions you can take to avoid being pickpocketed, and you need to be aware of you money at all times, especially when you go to pay for some goods at a market.

