

Origins of Chinese Civilization – Cultural Relics from Henan Province

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How would you like to revisit the origins of Chinese civilization?

This exhibition brings you back to the Henan province in the Yellow River Basin in Central China.

Here, the fertile soil land and the ingenuity of the early inhabitants of the region sow the seed for the development of one of the world's greatest civilizations.

The discovery of the underground treasure troves that had hidden great quantities of stone tools, earthenware, bronze vessels and jade ornament are evidence of large organized human settlement of the Neolithic Period (c. 7000-2000 BC).

The 108 objects in the exhibition give you a glimpse of the material splendour of China's ancient dynasties. Some of the objects also give credence to the existence of the legendary Xia dynasty (2070-1600 BC).





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