

Green Synergy: Guiyang's Eco-Partnership with the World

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Guiyang: A Model of Ecological Progress

Nestled in the hinterland of the Yunnan-Guizhou Plateau, Guiyang is a city where mountains and rivers coexist, blessed with a pleasant climate. In 2023, Guiyang was awarded the title of a National Ecological Civilization Demonstration Area, becoming the first city in Guizhou Province and the third nationwide to receive this honor. In 2024, the city was selected into the United Nations “Cities With Nature” initiative, making it the first in Guizhou to be included. The governance of the Nanming River was also included as an exemplary case under the second Beautiful Rivers and Lakes Project launched by China's Ministry of Ecology and Environment.



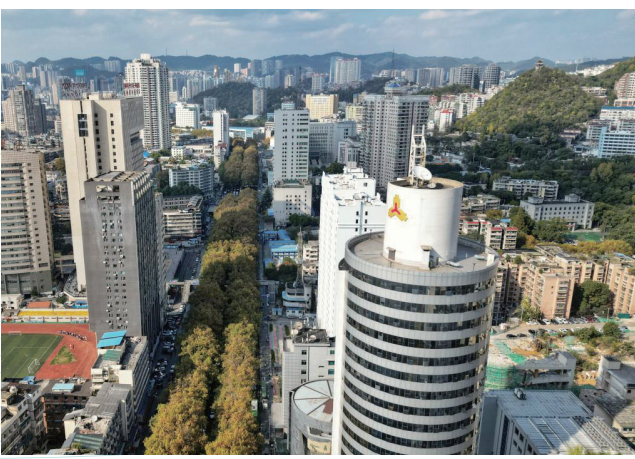
All these achievements stem from Guiyang’s long-term adherence to the guidance of Xi Jinping Thought on Ecological Civilization, integrating the philosophy of “lucid waters and lush mountains are invaluable assets” in the city’s urban planning and governance. Through pollution control and reduction at the source, systematic environmental restoration, green space expansion, and institutional improvements, Guiyang has been continuously working to better its ecological environment.



Take water governance as an example. Guiyang has fully implemented the river and lake chief system, and pushed ahead with the treatment of urban black and odorous water bodies, the ecological restoration of river channels, and the investigation and pollution control at sewage outlets. In 2024, the city achieved 100% compliance rates for water quality in its 107 rivers, national and provincial monitoring sections, and 6 centralized drinking water sources in the urban area.



To enhance the urban green space and build on the progress it has made in building itself into a national garden city, in 2024, Guiyang built 10 pocket parks and increased the urban area’s greening coverage rate to 42.06%, with a per-capita park/green space area of 14.85 square meters, a forest coverage rate of 55.03%, and 99.5% of days registered good air quality and above in urban areas throughout the year.



Thus, these solid efforts in ecological governance have laid the foundation for the green economy’s growth. Based on its resource endowment, Guiyang is vigorously developing big data and green low-carbon industries, eco-tourism, and circular agriculture, exploring the “ecology+industry” integration path to transform its ecological advantages into development advantages.



Guiyang's green practices go beyond urban boundaries, taking shape in site construction and industrial integration to create a tangible showcase of ecological conservation.



Recommended Demonstration Sites for Ecological Conservation

1 Urban Governance and Ecological Restoration Demonstration Sites

Guiyang Huaxi National Urban Wetland Park

Highlight:

A model park of urban wetlands, featuring a variety of types such as paddy field, river, and river beach. It is home to numerous rare and precious flora and fauna.



Guanshanhu Park

Highlight:

The park boasts 675 species of plants and is home to 78 species of birds, including egrets, herons, and wild ducks.





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2 Demonstration Sites for Green Development and Ecology-Industry Integrated Development



Xiaolanshan Digital Cultural Industry Eco-Village

Highlight:

This is the first “digital cultural industry eco-village” in China. Taking the unique ecological landscape of Baihua Lake as the backdrop, it has constructed an industrial layout comprising “one belt, three areas”: a lakeside sightseeing and leisure belt, a headquarters cluster area, an industry integration demonstration area, and a comprehensive service area.



3 Ecological Conservation History Display Site

Geological Museum of Guizhou

Highlight:

A natural science museum with a collection mainly consisting of paleontological fossils, mineral crystals, rocks, modern cultural relics, and geological data, over 95% of which originate from Guizhou.

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Eco Forum Global Guiyang: A Bridge for Global Green Cooperation



In 2009, Guiyang initiated an open green dialogue platform—the Eco-Forum Guiyang, which, in 2013, was upgraded to the Eco Forum Global Guiyang (EFG), the only national-level, international forum in China dedicated to ecological civilization. The EFG actively responds to the international community’s concerns about hot issues in ecological conservation, disseminating the idea and exploring the practices of ecological conservation and sustainable development. One of its outcomes of international influence is the *Guiyang Consensus*.

The Eco Forum Global Guiyang 2025 is scheduled from July 5 to 6, themed “Harmonious Coexistence Between Humans and Nature—Global Collaborative Development for Green Transformation.” It will continue to deepen pragmatic cooperation with the international community in areas such as climate change response and biodiversity conservation, and actively respond to concerns expressed in high-profile international conferences like COP29 and COP16.



Guiyang is using ecology as a bridge to gather global green consensus, making ecological progress a link between China and the world.

