

Taosi Ancient City Relics and Observatory

Taosi Ancient City Relics, with a history of over 4300 years, is known as the "First City" in prehistoric times of China. Covering an area of about 3 million square meters, it confirms the formation of a country and presents the ancient Chinese Civilization. It is the only early city relic with complete infrastructures such as city walls, palace, royal mausoleum, observatory, altar and large storage area. The discovery of 13 pillars and a corresponding earthen platform at Taosi Ancient City Relics opened a new era of Chinese civilization. It is evidenced that Chinese nation was much earlier than the West in understanding and learning to use the vernal equinox, autumnal equinox, summer solstice and winter solstice.