

China Transport Trip

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Shanghai

Ways to stop congestion:

Shanghai had expressways that travelled over the motorways. Only cars with Shanghai number plates (these were costly at \$12,000 American a set) could travel on these expressways.

Traffic was always heavy and China is working on reducing traffic.

1.5 million people use underground trains a day. All local councils are building new undergrounds to service everybody.

Buses are the cheapest form of transport but not as fast as the trains.



Walkways also travel under the expressways and were up off the roads

Some roads were 6 lanes wide going one way.



To cross under busy main intersections
you could go under the roads in tunnels.



Bridges

Chania had amazing bridges and they served the purpose of cutting down travellers time on the roads.

The Hangzhou Bay bridge is 35kms long and shortens the trip from Shanghai to Ningbo. It has coloured sections on the bridge and each section represented the colours of the rainbow.



Share Bikes

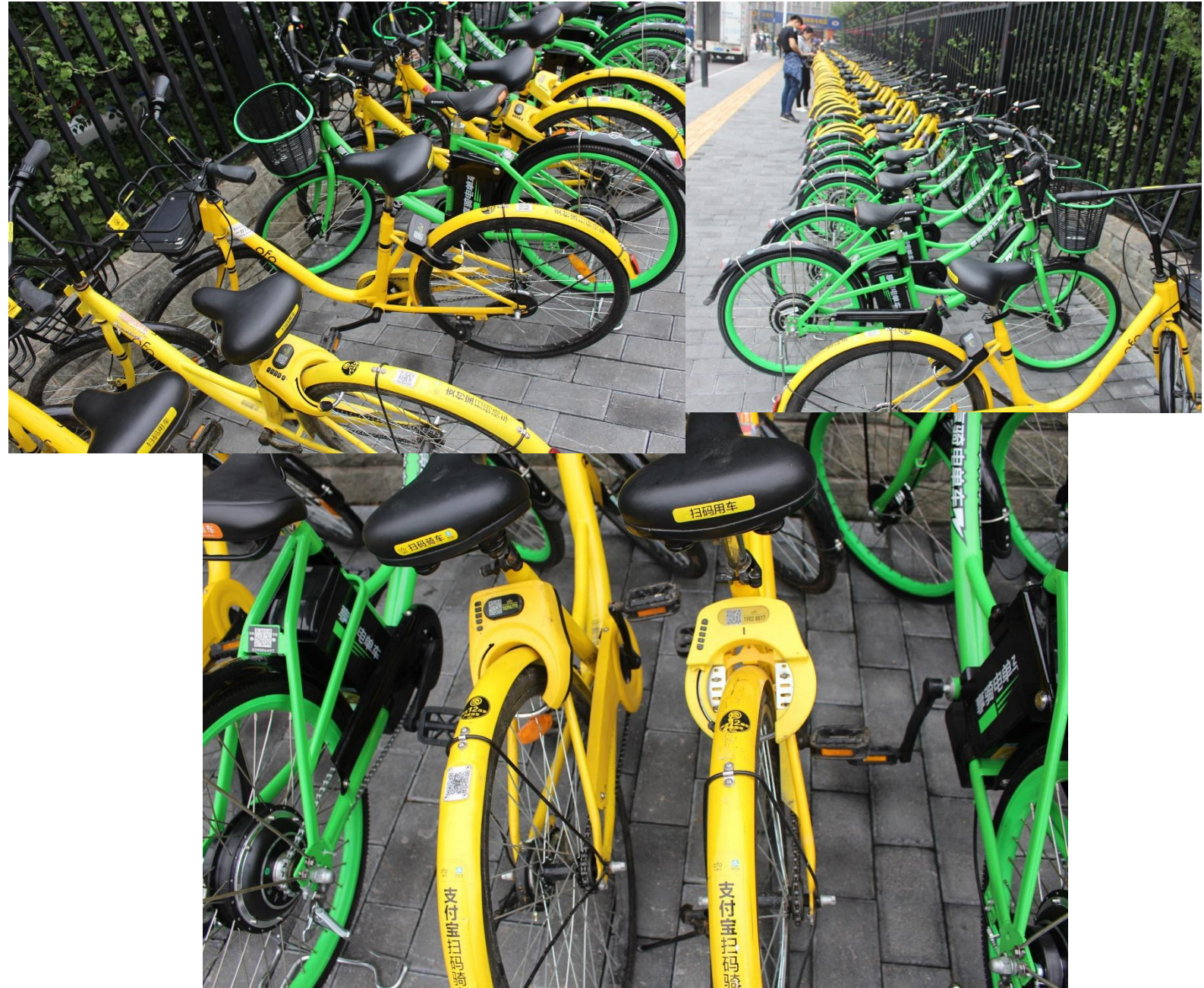
These were used in every city/town I visited. They are very well used by all ages and well serviced.

The different colours of the bikes showed which company looked after/serviced them.

Anybody could borrow these bikes as long as you had an app on your phone. Using a QR system unlocked the bikes and charged a fee to your bank account. These were really cheap to use, usually the first hour was free.

People can take a bike and ride it to their destination and leave it there. It doesn't matter where you go, as someone else will pick up the bike and ride it to another destination.

The company that owns the bikes have mini trucks to service bikes or move them to a more popular destination.



Collection After School

Most children walk to and from school and parents wait patiently for their child to arrive from class. It is nothing like our chaos at the front gate as nobody comes by car and there is a security guard at the gate.

Chinese people respect and value schools – this was very evident 😊

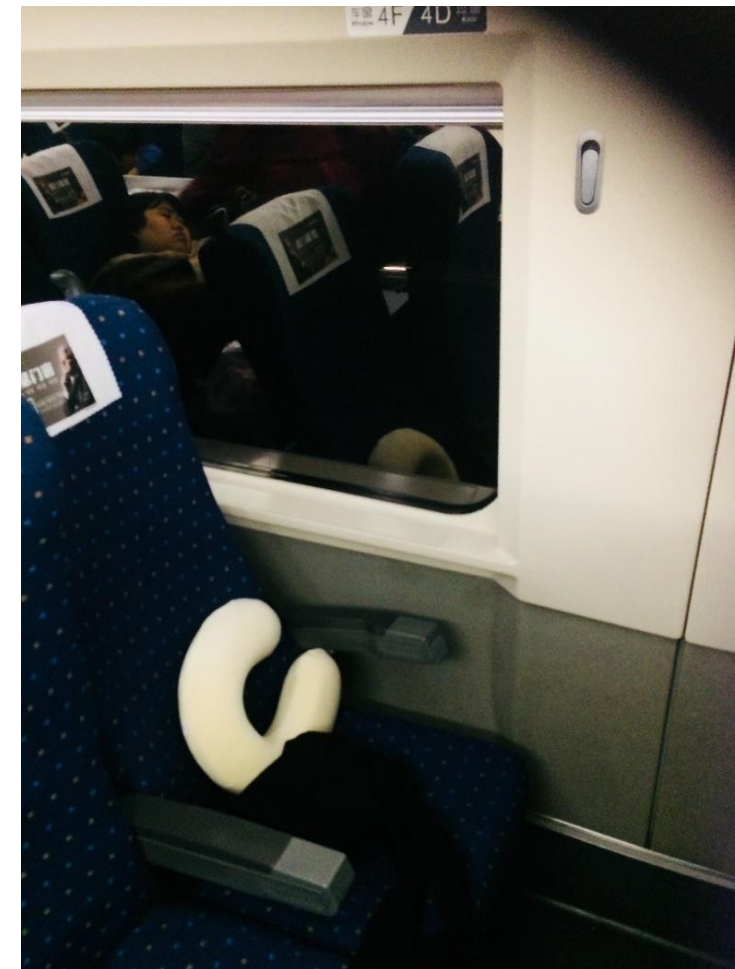


High Speed Trains



A 1,200 km trip took six hours by high speed train and even with 9 stops. You have to book your seat as it is very full.

There are three different classes – this was 2nd class – not too bad. The trains were always above the ground so there was no problems with train crossings etc. It was also great for sightseeing as you could see more from that height.



NZ McLaren Designed Car 😊

Is this Travelwise?
No but it was cool
to see 😊

There is
probably a lot
more to tell
you. But this
is all I can
remember 😊

