

# ***CHINA'S HISTORIC BRIDGES: ARCHITECTURE OVER WATER***

## ***Fujian Province***

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Wan'an Bridge, Changqiao Township, Pingnan County, Fujian Province

Longest woven timber framed bridge in China—First built in 1648, then rebuilt in 1742 and 1845.

After fire destroyed much of the bridge in the early part of the 20<sup>th</sup> century,  
the bridge was rebuilt in 1932; then parts swept away by flood in 1952 lead to repair/reconstruction in 1954.

92.8 meters long with five cut-stone piers, which vary in span from 10.6 to 15.3 meters

4.7 meters wide and 8.5 meters above the water



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Covered Corridor of Wan'an Bridge, Changqiao Township, Pingnan County, Fujian Province





Enjoying the fresh area at one end of the Wan'an Bridge, Changqiao Township, Pingnan County, Fujian Province



Yuanfeng Bridge, Xiadang Township, Shouning County, Fujian Province  
47.6 meters long with an open span of 37.6 meters. 4.9 meters wide





The stone path leading from the mountain to Yuanfeng Bridge, Xiadang Township, Shouning County, Fujian Province



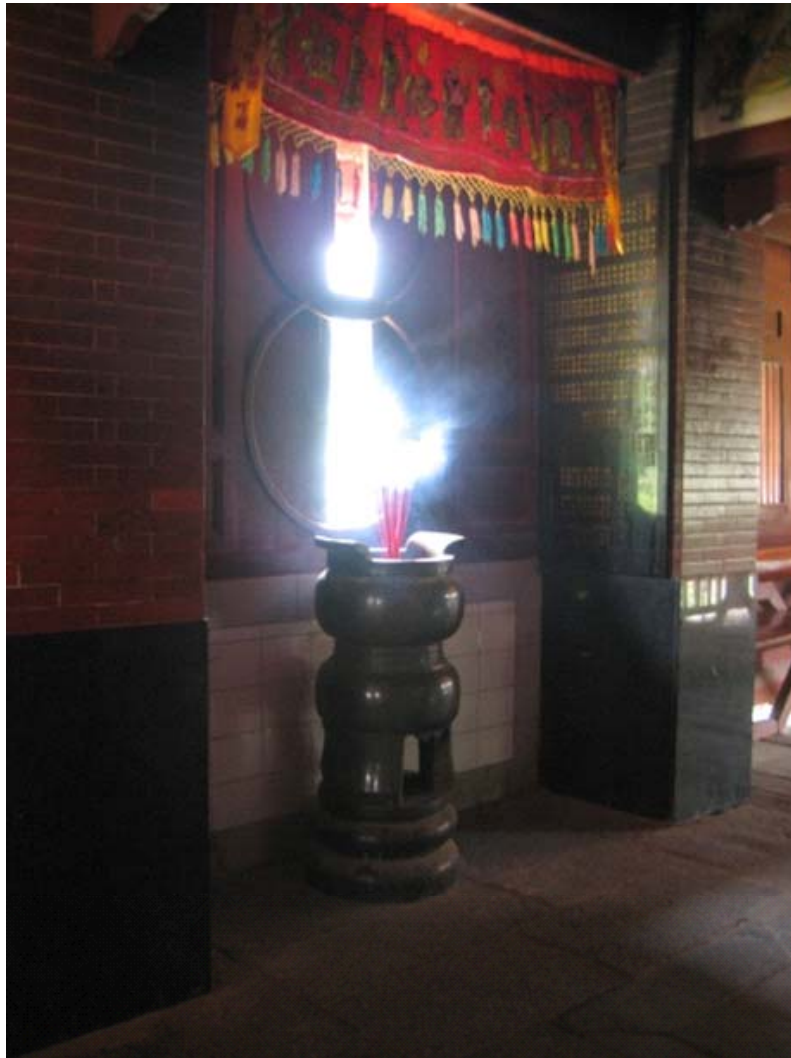


The Dongguan Bridge, also called Xian [Immortals] Bridge, has a complex set of shrines within. Spanning Huyang River, the covered bridge is located in Dongmei Village, Dongguan Township between Yongchun and Xianyou, Fujian province. Built in 1145 during the Southern Song period and renovated often in succeeding centuries, this cantilevered wooden beam bridge is 85 meters long and 5 meters wide and is set upon four 15 meter high piers. The central portion of the arcade contains an elaborate altar with a variety of censors.





Painted corridor of the Dongguan Bridge, also called Xian [Immortals] Bridge, Dongmei Village, Dongguan Township, Fujian province



Incense burners, Dongguan Bridge, Dongmei Village, Dongguan Township, Fujian province







Main altar and furnace for burning 'spirit money'  
Dongguan Bridge, Dongmei Village, Dongguan Township, Fujian province





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