

China

Etiquette in China



General rules of conduct

- *In general Chinese are patient, punctual, generous and have great sense of humor.*
- *A handshake is the most common form of greeting with foreigners.*
- *Many people do not get up during the greeting - it is normal practice.*



How to give presents



- In this country you should give presents to the Chinese New Year, weddings, birth of children, birthdays.
- You shouldn't give flowers and handkerchiefs, because many Chinese associate them with funerals.
- Don't wrap gifts in white, blue or black paper.
- Traditionally in China, before taking the gift, Chinese give it up three times.
- You should always give gifts, holding them with both hands.

Rules of conduct during meals

- Chinese prefer to receive visitors in public places, especially if a guest is a foreigner.
- You should arrive into a public place in time. Lateness is a sign of stupid manners.
- If you were invited into the house, you are honored guest.
- Before entering the house, you must take off our shoes.
- Eat all offered meals and show how you enjoy the food.



Rules of communication during the meal



- *Learn to use traditional Chinese sticks. Sometimes it is not easy, but using forks there is not accepted.*
- *The owners should start eating first.*
- *The first toast always says owner of the house.*
- *You should try to eat everything you were offered.*
- *During the meal plate should be kept near the mouth.*



Traditional Chinese melody

The end!

