

## HOW TRAVEL BRANDS UTILIZE WECHAT NOW AND IN THE FUTURE

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## Global air traffic will not return to pre-coronavirus levels until at least 2024, according to the International Air Transport Association (IATA)



Source: International Air Transport Association (IATA)



### A CHALLENGING TIME BUT SOME POSITIVE INDICATORS ON THE HORIZON



China Eastern Airlines') 3,322 yuan "Fly as you wish" deal, launched in June China Eastern has sold over 100,000 passes

After the resumption of tour package sales, Ctrip search volumes for holidays, hotels and flights all shot up, with domestic travel Searches spiked by 500%.

Trip.com Group's report showed that over **4,000 travel agencies** have launched domestic travel products on its platform.



## SAFETY A KEY FOCUS FOR AIRLINE AND HOTELS – KEY BRAND MESSAGING



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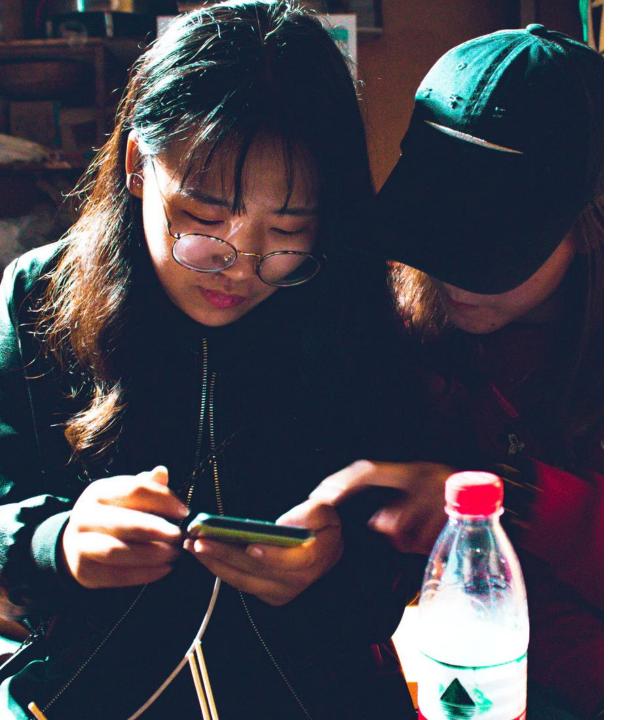


12,583 flights were made through Sanya phoenix airport in July

**Haikou Meilan** airport record its highest passenger numbers, 300, 000 passengers in the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of July

 breaking pre-pandemic records, Averaging 300 flights a day

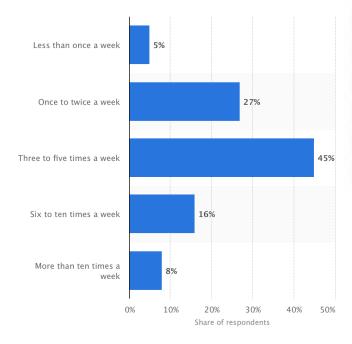




## CONTINUOUS COMMUNICATION IS CRUCIAL

During the covid-19 lockdown Chinese consumers paid extra attention to brand communications and this has continued after the lifting of restrictions

Frequency of watching shopping-related live streaming among respondents in China during the first half of 2020



In the first seven months of 2020, China's **online retail sales reached 6,078.5 billion yuan (US\$876 billion)**, an increase of 9.0% year-on-year

The online retail sales of physical goods amounted to 5,101.8 billion yuan, an increase of 15.7%, accounting for **25.0% of the total retail sales of social consumer goods**.

Source: China Internet watch 2020

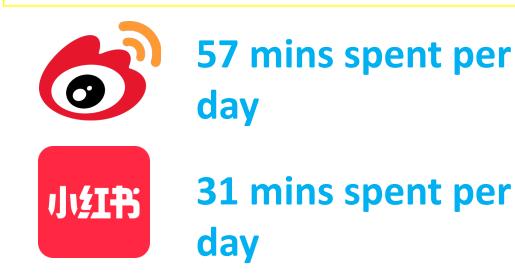


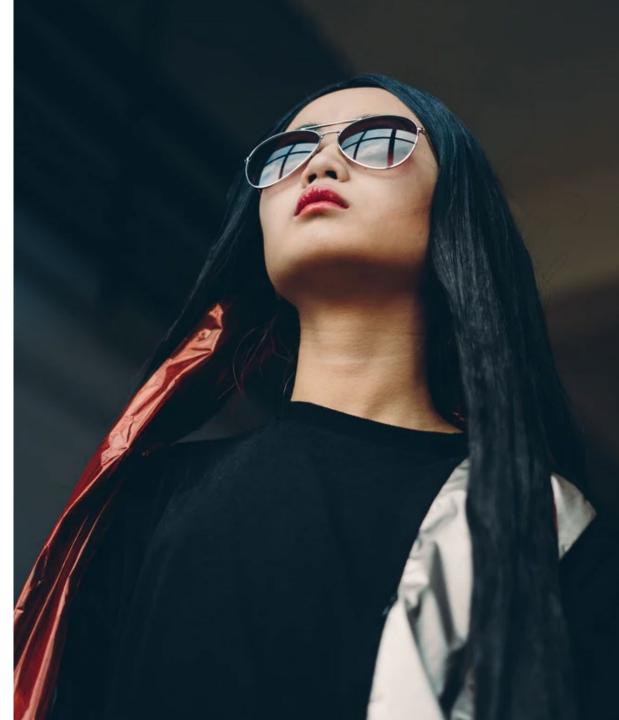
WECHAT - THE TRUE 'LIFESTYLE PLATFORM' IS THE STANDOUT PLATFORM TO ENGAGE



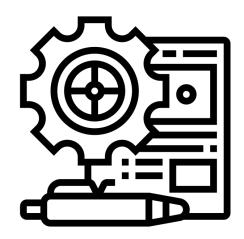


## 82 mins spent per day

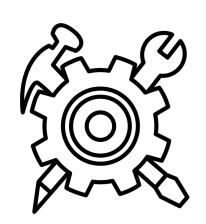














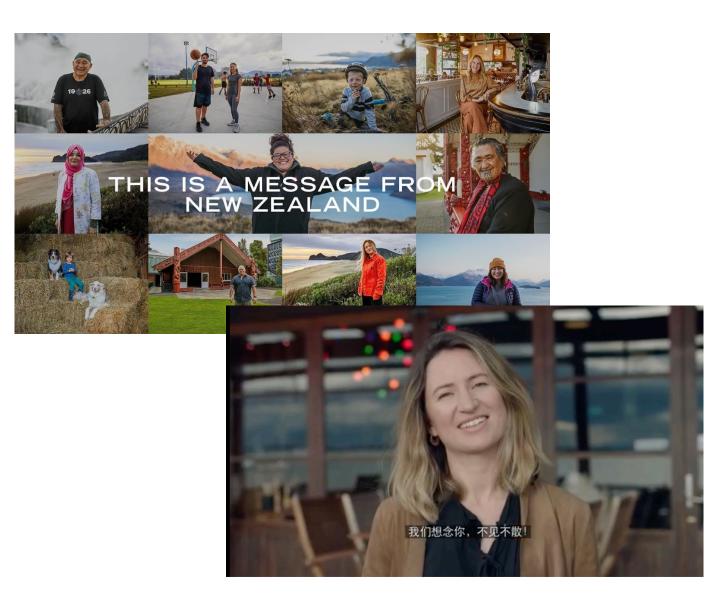
Refocus content

## Revamp Menu structure

Improve Functionally Develop Sales Channel



Crafting an inspirational message which encourages Chinese travelers to dream of a future that welcomes them







LEVERAGE WECHAT'S CHANNELS

## WeChat Channels function offers brands the opportunity to present dynamic content that is also able to be discovered organically



## RESHAPE THE WECHAT MENU BAR EXPERIENCE

#### Germany Tourism



#### **Turkey Tourism**





Japan Travel Bureau

### Comprehensive menu with creative and playful language

- Menu 1: 约么? Book? Recent events and seasonal festivals
- Menu 2: 寻么? Inspire? Inspirational content highlighting Japan's key offerings
- Menu 3: 走么? Go? Service content, such as visa directions, APP link and more

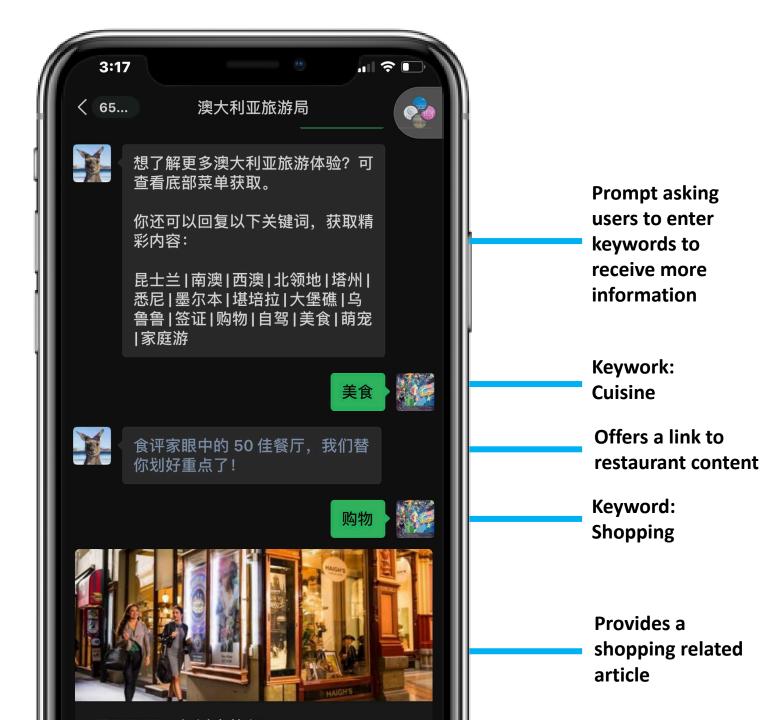
Limited menu functions

### No menu set-up

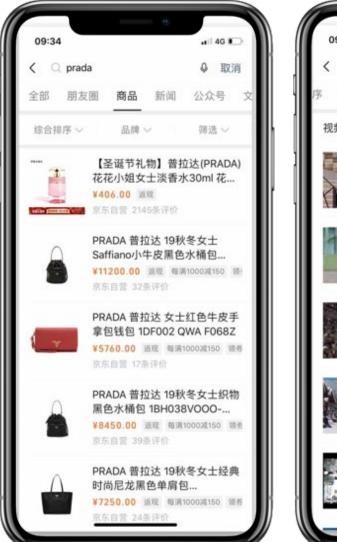
AUTO RESPONSE AND CHATBOT

Lead users to their desired content in an engaging manner Leveraging WeChat menu keywords

**Consider an AI driven Chatbot integration** 











Optimizing WeChat search can help your target Chinese traveler find your brand related content quickly



## OPTIMISE YOUR WECHAT BRANDZONE



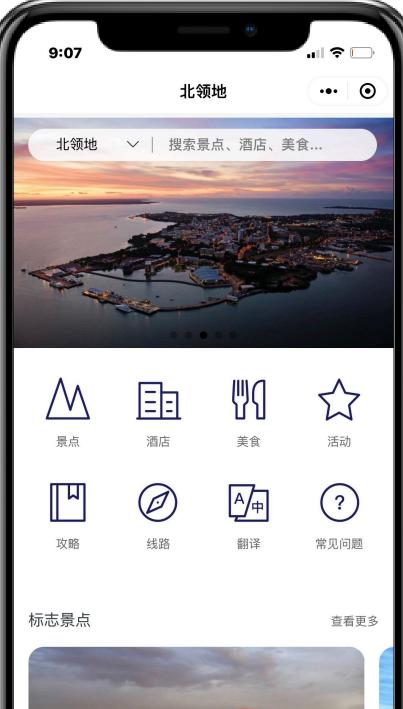




Your Wechat Brandzone should consolidate your brands WeChat activity to give access to all of your brands key communication touch points ex. official account, mini program and brand introduction



Leverage WeChat mini programs to enhance the user experience and provide real utility for your destination.



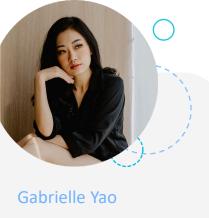
**Consider an in-destination Travel concierge mini program that provides:** 

- Destination information
- In-store registration
- Hotel booking
- Attraction booking
- Travel guides
- Al assistant



### EVALUATE AND IMPLEMENT A SOCIAL CRM TOOL

Utilize a SOCIAL SCRM tool and better understand your audience and their behaviors



She is a female follower who followed our official account 8 weeks ago, she's an office lady who's super stylish and cool, always on the edge of fashion, she loves classical music and goes to the concert on monthly basis.

## Female Shanghai Office Lady Fashion Live Music

## Make sure your Social SCRM tool provides:

- Audience
  segmentation
- Behavior tracking via Tagging
- Segmented content pushes
- Deeper audience insights
- Better advertising effectiveness



CONSIDER THE USE OF A CROSS-BORDER MINI-PROGRAM

Setting up a cross-border ecommerce mini-program can give Chinese travelers' an avenue to shop while still being at home



An Ecommerce Miniprogram should provide:

- An integrated customer delivery, payments and cross-border settlement function
- Enable your brand to generate interest with flash sales – purchase in advance of the next trip
- Convert buyers into long term fans

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THERE ARE MANY CHALLENGES FOR BRANDS AT THIS TIME BUT ALSO MANY OPPORTUNITIES



Revamp current communication

Improve the digital experience



# Thank you

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