# QingLiangFeng

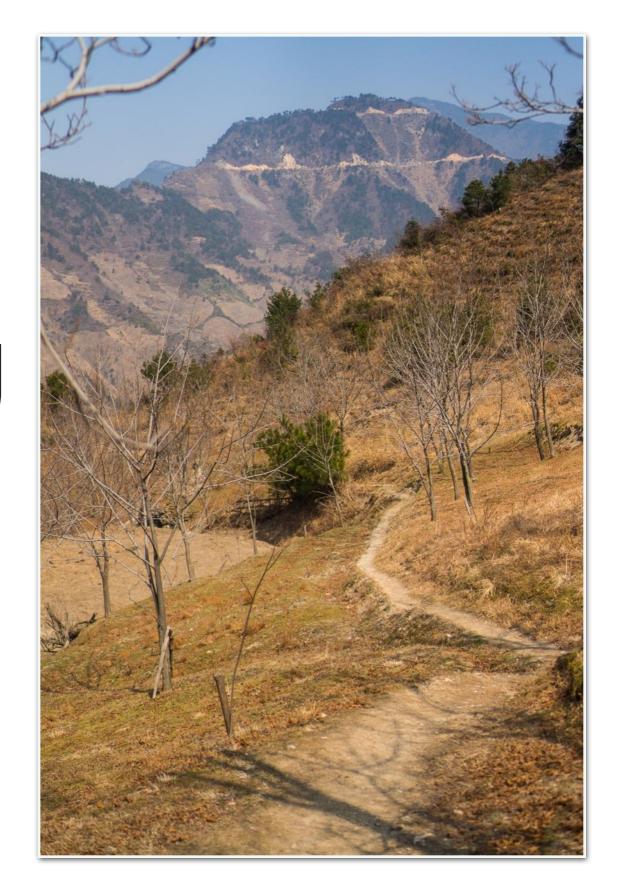
Somewhere between Huangshan (without the people) and more remote than Morganshan

4 hours door to door from downtown Shanghai.

Qingliangfeng Nature Reserve.

There are lots of hills in the area so is this place worth an extra hours drive to get into a more remote place? Is the nature reserve actually worth a visit?

Click the Strava Icon for online Strava link to route.





Sam, Phil and Sonja Trip 2015 June

Photos from Sam and Notes from Phil - Thanks



**Day 1**, x311 to S209 Return, 100km - 3000m **STRAWA** 

Headed up X310, which appears to be a freshly paved road with the goal of reaching the X086, but that road became a dirt path. Plan B was heading over the hills on the X311 to the S209.

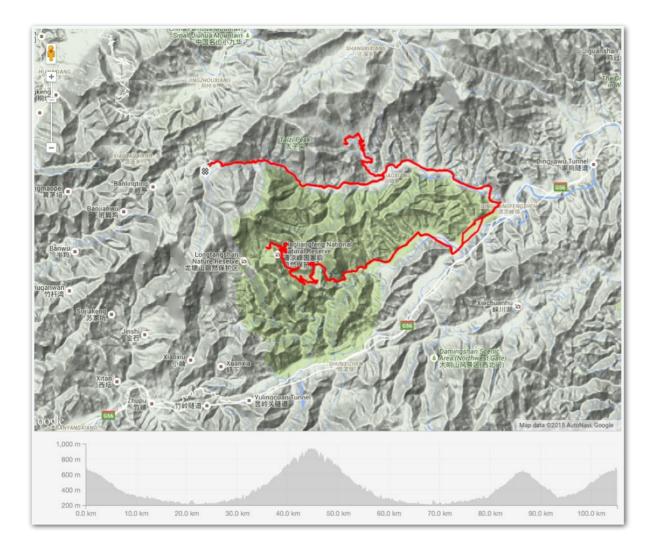
#### X311 Northbound Ascent

This is called Jizhe Line/Hualang Line on Google Maps. For reference, the milestone at the top of the climb is 26.5. The Northbound climb is about 12 km, 2-5% with most of the climbing at 5%. Very little traffic. Switchbacks and visually stunning, since not much in the way of trees obscuring our view after ascending a few kilometres up. We were fortunate enough to climb on a day with blue skies and little in the way of pollution, so we were constantly reminded of how far we had come by outstanding views of the valley.

No villages on the way up, so bring your water with you. Although the descent was steeper, visually, the hills were not sheer like the way up. Great pavement descending except for some rough spots in the villages on the way down.

### The S209 and the way back up

There's a reservoir near the bottom of the X311 (Hualang Line). The Southbound ascent was more difficult; there were flatter areas, but these were made up for by much more climbing at 7% than on the Northbound ascent. There were a few villages, which allowed us to purchase water / snacks. You may encounter traffic jams in the villages, but that is more because of driving custom than the volume of traffic. Descending the southward face was a little trickier than the northbound – there was some grit on the road and the drop was much steeper, but there were never any worrisome parts.



Day 2, Lodge to Natural Reserve, 105km - 3000m STRAWA

Lodge to Qingliangfeng Town (X310) to Qingliangfeng National Natural Reserve (Up the X330) and back

With the threat of rain hanging in the air, we started our easterly descent down the X310 / Jizhe Line (Google Maps). Riding near the riverbed on our left, we were treated to completely different scenery than Day 1, as the scenery was rice paddies and tree-lined slopes. After crossing through some villages, we rode with the riverbed on our right as the descent leveled from 7-8% to 2%. Not too much in Qingliangfeng town, but there are a few restaurants serving local food.

Ride along the S02, crossing over the river, and eventually you'll see a brown tourism sign above the road, telling you to turn right. You'll cross back across the river and start climbing the X330/Houlong Line to the top. The pavement was fantastic at the start, and continued to be quite decent for most of the way. Although we had seen some busses in the valley, we were surprised that there was very little traffic on the ascent.

Ascending though different climate zones, the vegetation changed to bamboo as we neared the top. Reaching the top was a bit anti-climatic though, as there were not any good views of the surrounding countryside. There were some hiking paths, and a pagoda appeared to provide a better view, if one were prepared to hike to it.

By this time, the rain had started to fall, but it wasn't a problem. Returning to Qingliangfeng town, we stopped for some fried rice and vegetables before returning to the lodge. There was some traffic on the X310 both on the descent and the ascent, but it was still minimal. Some sections of the X310 back to the lodge are 7-8% and the total ascent is about 20km long.



Day 3, Lodge to East, 60km - 2000m STRAWA

Day 3 – Descent to Maoxiang - up Wucheng Line (The Sagante. segment on Strava)

Greeted by quite a decent rain, we headed out again on the X330 to Maoxiang to try a road that one of us discovered by accident in the rain as we returned to the lodge on Day 2.

There isn't much in the way of signage as you descend, but upon entering a small town about 13km down from the lodge, there is some fresh pavement leading off to the left. Fantastic climbing with rice-paddies alongside much of the ascent. Much of the 7km climb is 5%, although some sections are a steeper 8%. After reaching the end of the pavement, it is possible to continue for another 2km or so along cement finishing the work you started. There's a nice little waterfall near the top. Quite the picturesque 9km.

Returning down to the X330 to Qingliangfeng and then returning back up to the lodge, the only new territory covered was across a little bridge and up a 1km 10% climb about 17km up from the town. A little steep on the descent though, especially near the bridge in the wet.

### Route Suggestions –

Some very good riding.

- The X311 was enough to make the trip worthwhile on its own.
- Worth climbing the Qingliangfeng despite the lack of view at the top just for the peaceful ride on the way up
- Wucheng Line / The Sagante. provided some stunning scenery and is worth the detour.

### Notes –

- Difficult to get to
- Rented a van from Shanghai. Didn't depart Shanghai until 7:30-45 and because of the holiday weekend weren't even out of Qingpu until 10:30pm. Didn't arrive until 1:30am.
- If you like whole wheat bread, you should bring your own. No western food options.
- With two very different routes that you can take, provides a good base and variety for 2 days on the bike.
- If you were going to do more, would look at riding along the X086 / X087 / X088, towards the northwest. But haven't explored that area yet.

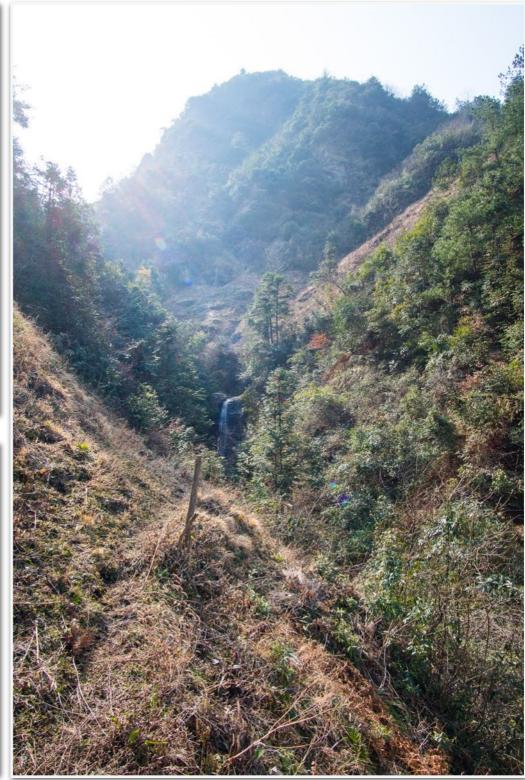
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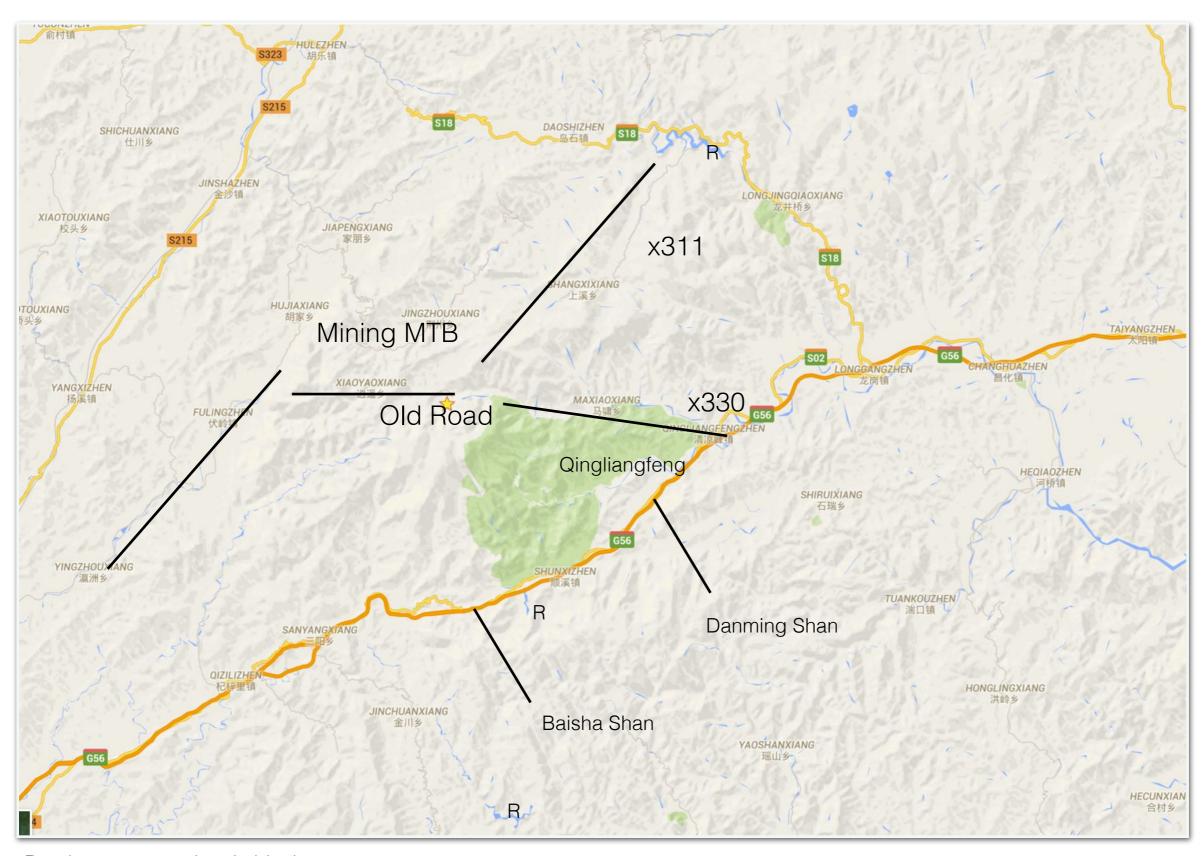












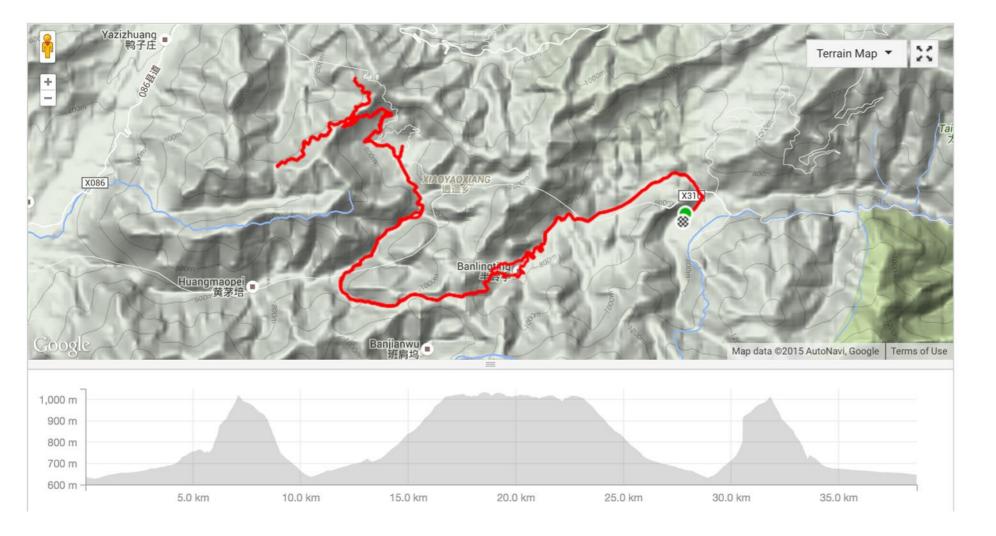
Road routes to explore in black.

R = Reservoir = to explore and see if swimming options around Hike / Runs in QLF / Baisha and Danming and probably all the hills around

## Notes

- Qingliangfeng Nature Reserve is off limits. You are not meant to hike or go there. Seems many people do and if you do, BE VERY RESPONSIBLE & GET A LOCAL GUIDE.
- At the West end of X330 the drivable road ends. It then turns into the Huihang path. This is a old caravan trail. Taking your bike on it involves a 1-2 hour hike up and down and then a 12-15km off road trail before paved roads again. You then come out at Fulingzhen. Its a nice tourist hike.
- Damingshan to the south is nice but very touristy. Hills are all about so mountain / adventure biking is best bet. Must be some great downhills for the mountain bikers and great hill climbing for road bikers.
- Running and hiking all around.





The Old Road - HuiHang + Mining Roads



Cycle about 5km from the lodge, pay 80rmb entrance, then walk with bike up first hill, then down. At around 8km get on bike (off road) got to about 13km when you can cycle again. Climb up to the mining road. From the top you can either go west or east to hit civilisation.

Alternatively at about the 10km follow the Huihang and go west to Fulingzhen where you hit the main paved road.

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**Huihang Road Scenic Area Tourist map** 

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Hulhang Road tourist area is located in Anhul province Jixi County East, Was built in the Tang Dynasty, It has been 1000 years of history. Following the Silk Road, "Tea-Horse Road" after the third famous ancient passage, this is one of the most spectacular natural scenery and historical culture the most mysterious in the corridor. Length of 75 km, Starting point for RenLi hu xueyan square, Through the ancient road outspread paragraph, JiangNan Dividuan, LanTianAo, YiDe Pavilion. Cool Mountain, and to built a beautiful stereo picture. The ancient road outspread paragraph shirt-sleeve the ancient road culture and hui merchants culture, very with nimbus, fully demonstrated the great man hometown feng shui culture. Huihang Road tourist area is the ancient road the essence of the place. Close to the sky through clouds of the stone steps and with the stones of the lichen on both sides of the road. They all bear witness to the Hui merchants's history and culture. It is the people living in huizhou go to jiangsu and zhejiang the most important channel. Hu Zongxian famous generals fight against Japanese pirates. A politician, businessman Hu Xueyan, A generation of writers, Hu shi . Hui merchants HuYan yuan were from this ancient passage go out, and started their brilliant life During the war of resistance against Japan. The red army and the guerrillas have been in here and fight the enemy, and Left many revolutionary sites. It is now the China Sports boutique tourism project, the National Tourism and leisure demonstration base. China's ten major hiking the best route, the red tourism education base. Low carbon, health, fashion, in recent years more and more get the favour of tourists . It is your first choice of the tourism destination.

































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### Places to Stay

- The lodge. A bit over priced but nice brake. Country food. <a href="http://hotels.ctrip.com/hotel/1094752.html?OperationAction=HotelDetail">http://hotels.ctrip.com/hotel/1094752.html?OperationAction=HotelDetail</a>
- There are many many farmer houses you can stay in along the way as well as a big hotel near the lodge.

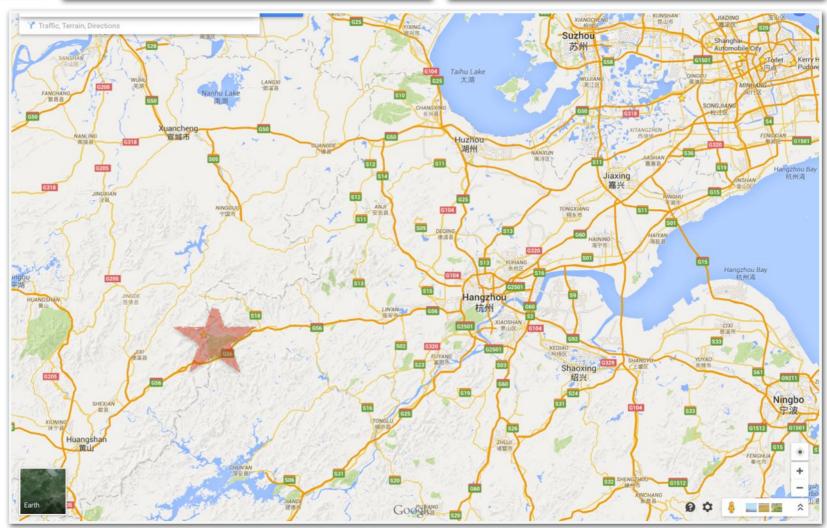






### **Getting There And Back**

- Bus to Linan??
- Huanshan Airport? Guess 1 hour car.
- Car 4 hours door to door from SH
- Car 2 hours from HZ.



See:

www.xscape.zone for more pictures of area.

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