Late Imperial China
1. Mongol Empire
2. Ming Dynasty
3. Trade and Tribute
4. Foundations of the Qing Dynasty
5. Europeans in China
Middle Imperial Period
ca. 600-1400

Song dynasty 宋
960 - 1279

Yuan dynasty 元
1279 - 1368

Ming dynasty 明
1368 - 1644

Late Imperial Period
ca. 1400-1900

Qing dynasty 清
1644 - 1911

Republic of China 中華民國 1911-1949

Post-Dynastic Period
1911-present

People's Republic of China 中華人民共和國 1949 - present
"Northern Zone"

Map: China's Physical Geography

- Manchuria
- Mongolia
- Xinjiang (E. Turkestan)
- Tibetan Plateau
- Ordos
- China Proper
Northern Steppe
Mongolia
Junggar Basin
Xinjiang Autonomous Region
Kazakhstan steppe
Eurasian Steppe
Pastoral Nomadism
Inner Mongolia
Mongol Empire at its height
Temüjin
Chinggis (Genghis, Jenghis) Khan
c.a. 1162-1227
Mongol Empire
Mongol script
"Han people"

hanren 漢人

"southerners"

nanren 南人
Khan  Emperor

tanistry  primogeniture
Divisions of Mongol Empire
mid 13th century
Khubilai Khan
1215-94

Yuan Dynasty
1279 - 1368

Taizu
Capitals of the Yuan Dynasty

- Karakorum
- Shangdu
- Dadu (Beijing)
Khubilai Khan on horseback
Red Turban Rebellion
mid. 14th century

White Louts Society
millenarianism
Maitreya cult
Population of China, 2 - 1500 CE
1. Mongol Empire
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5. Europeans in China
Zhu Yuanzhang
1328-1398

Ming Dynasty
1368-1644
The Hongwu Emperor
Ming Taizu
r. 1368-1398
Ming Empire
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Yongle Emperor
Zhu Di
r. 1402-1424
Voyages of Zheng He
1405-1433
Tribute system

• center vs. periphery
• cultural superiority
• trade as ritualized exchange
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Manchus

Jurchen
Jin dynasty
(1125-1234)

Nurhaci
d. 1626
Manchu Banner system

8 Manchurian
8 Mongol
8 Chinese
Manchu writing system
Jurchen → Manchu

Jin dynasty  Qing dynasty (1644-1911)
Taiwan
Fujian Prov.
1683

Lhasa, Tibet
1750-51

Xinjiang
1768
queue=Manchu hairstyle
Machang Chasing an Enemy
Giusppe Castiglione (1688-1766)
Manchu bannerman
Six Ministries
1. Civil Affairs
2. Finance
3. Rituals
4. War
5. Justice
6. Public Works

Provincial Governor

Governor-General
Grand Council

Palace Memorial System
baojia system of mutual responsibility

\[ jia = 100 \text{ households} \]
\[ bao = 10 \text{ jia} = 1,000 \text{ households} \]
Kangxi Emperor
r. 1662-1722

Yongzheng Emperor
r. 1722-1736

Qianlong Emperor
r. 1736-1795
Kangxi Emperor
r. 1662-1722
Repairing the dikes of the Yellow River
*Emperor Kangxi's Tour of the South* (detail)
The Complete Books of the Four Treasuries
*Siku quanshu*, comp. late 18th c.

evidential scholarship
*kaozheng* 考證
Population of China, 2 - 2000 CE
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5. Europeans in China
China Proper
China Proper
Pearl River Delta
Guangdong Province

Guangzhou (Canton)
Macao
Hong Kong

Portuguese trading base est. 1577
China Proper

Taiwan

Dutch trading base
est. 1624

Spanish trading base
est. 1626
Matteo Ricci
1552-1610
Jesuit missionary
Celestial sphere
gold leaf, pearls and cloisonné
h. 82 cm.
Qing dynasty
Tranquil Spring
Giuseppe Castiglione
(aka Lang Shining, 1688–1766)
Pine and Cranes
Giuseppe Castiglione and Tang Dai (1673–1752)