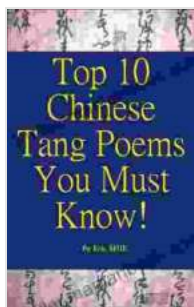


Unveiling the Timeless Beauty of Chinese Tang Poetry: Top 10 Must-Know Gems

Chinese Tang poetry, a pinnacle of literary achievement during the Tang Dynasty (618-907 AD), has captivated generations with its ethereal beauty, thought-provoking insights, and enduring influence on Chinese culture. Drawing inspiration from nature, human emotions, and the pursuit of enlightenment, Tang poets crafted exquisite verses that have left an indelible mark on world literature.



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1. "Quiet Night Thought" by Li Bai



Quiet Night Thought

By Li Bai

Before my bed, moonlight white, Frost on the ground, like snow so bright,
Lifting my head, I watch the moon long, Lowering my head, I miss my
home.

明月光，疑是地霜。举头望明月，低头思故乡。

This haunting poem, one of Li Bai's most renowned works, captures the essence of homesickness and the transient nature of life. In just four lines, it paints a vivid picture of a moonlit night, evoking both a sense of tranquility and a longing for home.

2. "Farewell at Yellow Crane Tower" by Li Bai



Farewell at Yellow Crane Tower

By Li Bai

At Yellow Crane Tower we bid farewell, Each embarked on a distant sail,
The river flows eastward to the ocean wide, Our hearts remain close,
though mountains divide.

故人西辞黄鹤楼，烟花三月下扬州。孤帆远影碧空尽，唯见长江天际流。

This poem, written on the occasion of parting with a dear friend, expresses the bittersweet emotions of farewell. The imagery of the solitary boat sailing into the vast expanse of the river and the enduring bond that transcends distance evokes a sense of both loss and hope.

3. "Spring Dawn" by Du Fu



Spring Dawn

By Du Fu

Night rain moistens the light dust, Day dawns, the grass is fresh and green,
Birds sing in the trees, flowers in bloom, Yet my heart is heavy, with worries
unseen.

国破山河在，城春草木深。感时花溅泪，恨别鸟惊心。

Du Fu, known as the "Sage of Poetry," wrote this poem during a period of great personal hardship and national turmoil. The poem's vivid imagery of springtime renewal contrasts with the poet's inner turmoil, reflecting the complex emotions of hope and despair in times of crisis.

4. "Moonlit Night on the Spring River" by Zhang Ruoxu



Moonlit Night on the Spring River

By Zhang Ruoxu

The spring river flows eastward, the moon shines bright, Flowers on the riverbanks, a beautiful sight, The moonlit river, a silvery gleam, Floating flowers drift by, like a distant dream.

春江花月夜，江水月如练。生在花间不知月，月满船头也满天。

This poem captures the enchanting beauty of a moonlit night on the spring river, with its gentle flowing waters, blooming flowers, and ethereal moonlight. Zhang Ruoxu's vivid imagery and evocative language create an immersive experience for the reader.

5. "The Peach Blossom Spring" by Tao Yuanming



The Peach Blossom Spring

By Tao Yuanming

In the easternmost mountains, a distant land, A peach blossom forest,
secluded and grand, Farmers, unaware of the outside world, Live in
harmony, their hearts unfurled.

桃花源记 土地平旷，屋舍俨然，有良田美池桑竹之属。阡陌交通，鸡犬相
闻。其中往来种作，男女衣着，悉如外人。黄发垂髫，并怡然自乐。

Tao Yuanming, a master of pastoral poetry, wrote this utopian poem that tells the tale of a hidden paradise, where people live in peace and harmony, untouched by the outside world. The poem has become a symbol of the search for an idyllic life free from societal constraints.

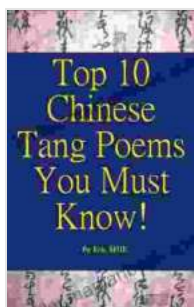
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Sorrow one: parting ways,



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