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# LEAD THE WAY: DISCOVER LIUDUI

## FESTIVAL ✿ HERITAGE ✿ CULTURE



### 1. INTRODUCTION – What is Liudui?

Liudui (Six Fords) is a historic Hakka alliance in southern Taiwan, with over 300 years of history. It is not an official administrative region, but a cultural and historical community formed for mutual protection and cooperation.

The name "Liudui" refers to six defensive regions established by Hakka settlers. Today, it represents not only geography, but also unity, identity, and cultural heritage.



### 2. HISTORICAL BACKGROUND



Originated during the Zhu Yigui Rebellion (18th century)



Hakka settlers organized militias to defend their communities



Divided into six regions based on geography and defense needs:

- Zhongdui (Central)
- Qiandui (Front)
- Houdui (Rear)
- Zuodui (Left)
- Youdui (Right)
- Xianfengdui (先锋 / Vanguard)



After the conflict, Liudui gradually transformed from a military alliance into a cultural symbol of the Hakka people.

### 3. GEOGRAPHIC RANGE

Liudui covers areas in:

- Pingtung County
- Southern Kaohsiung

KEY REGIONS INCLUDE:

Neipu, Wanluan, Changzhi  
Meinong, Jiaodong, Xinpi



### 4. CULTURAL FEATURES

#### Hakka Architecture

Traditional courtyard houses (Sanheyuan) reflect harmony with nature.



#### Hakka Cuisine

Famous dishes include:

- Hakka rice cakes
- Salted pork
- Lei cha (ground tea)



#### Hakka Language

An important carrier of identity and cultural transmission.



#### Folk Arts

Includes paper umbrellas, lanterns, and traditional crafts.



### 5. MAJOR EVENT – LIUDUI FIRECRACKER FESTIVAL

A traditional celebration evolved from ancient defense systems.



#### KEY FEATURES:

- Held during the Lantern Festival
- Firecrackers launched using bamboo towers
- **SYMBOLIZES:** Blessing, Protection, Community unity

#### ACTIVITIES:

- Firecracker competitions
- Flower offerings
- Traditional games
- Hakka markets

★ Recognized as one of Taiwan's major cultural festivals

### 6. ANALYSIS & PERSPECTIVE

#### CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

Liudui represents:

- Collective defense → Modern unity
- Survival → Cultural identity

#### MODERN CHALLENGES

- Urbanization reduces traditional practices
- Younger generations less engaged

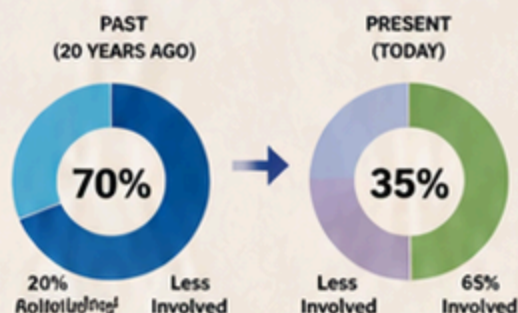


#### OPPORTUNITIES

- Cultural tourism
- Festivals and education
- Digital preservation



#### CULTURAL HERITAGE TRANSFER (Perceived by Younger Generation)



### 7. WHY IT MATTERS

- Preserves Hakka identity
- Strengthens community bonds
- Promotes cultural diversity in Taiwan



Liudui is not just history — it is a living culture.

### 8. CONCLUSION / CALL TO ACTION

#### EXPLORE • LEARN • EXPERIENCE



Visit Hakka villages



Participate in festivals



Support cultural preservation

*Rooted in History,  
Growing into the Future.*

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