

Architecture Over Water: Discovering China's 'Forgotten' Covered Bridges

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Among the least known and understood of China's many wonders, covered bridges are in fact extraordinary feats of building prowess. While covered bridges in North America and Europe are well-known, China has an older tradition of constructing covered bridges and has a greater number still standing. This illustrated talk will focus on an exceptional collection of recently 'discovered' covered bridges, many of which have structures once thought to have been lost in the 12th century.

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