

PROVISIONAL (26 AUGUST 2019)

## **FIELD TOUR OPTIONS**

48<sup>TH</sup> UNDERWATER MINING CONFERENCE

FRIDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER 2019, USD 75 PER PERSON

## OPTION 1 – SHILU IRON ORE - UPDATE Bus Departs JW Marriott at 7:30 AM



This involves a beautiful route across Hainan island. The name Shilu Mountain means "copper mountain" in ancient Chinese. It goes back to 1782 during Qing Dynasty when copper was found in this area. A huge amount of Iron was accidently discovered in this area in 1935 during an exploration for copper. Shilu Iron Ore started to be mined by the Japanese army who occupied Hainan Island from 1939 to 1945. It was the most productive iron ore in Asia. Copper,

cobalt and other mineral resources also occur in this area. See provisional schedule below. Before returning to the JW Marriott, the we may stop at The Edition for refreshing and relaxing No-Host drinks, snacks or a buffet dinner.

## **Provisional Schedule**

- Depart JW 7:30 am, 3-hour drive to foot of the mine
- 11:00 12:30, visit strip mine, check out the iron ore, visit the old train station ore transportation (a conweigh system built by the Japanese during WWII that is still functional.
- 13:00 14:00, lunch at Shilu Iron Ore guest hotel
- 14:30 16:00, visit their 2-M ton dressing and smelting station
- 16:00, depart for JW or The Edition, 3-hour return







## OPTION 2 – ARECA VALLEY TRIBAL VILLAGE STARTS WITH LUNCH AT MAN HO AT 11:30 AM



One of the most important attractions in Hainan is the Areca Valley Ethnic Minorities Village Area. The Li minority ethnic group has a history of several hundred years. You will have a look at the disappearing boat-shaped huts, authentic body art, century old granaries, ancient yet highly advanced weaving, and ancient musical instruments. The Miao Minority Ethnic Group is the second largest minority ethnic group on Hainan Island, claiming to be the descendants of

the former Chiyou tribe. When entering the Chiyou village of the Miao people, you would feel as if you are visiting a primitive tribe of ancient times. We will start with lunch at Man Ho in the JW Marriott for dim sum before boarding the bus to Areca Valley. Before returning to the JW Marriott, the trip ends at The Edition for refreshing and relaxing No-Host drinks, snacks or a buffet dinner.

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