

A shortlist of Chinese Silk Road place names

Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region
Tashkurgan Tajik Autonomous County

Cities

Xian (formerly Chang-an)
- Big Wild Goose Pagoda
Jiayuguan
-Jiayuguan Fort
Dunhuang
-Mogao Caves

Cities – Northern route

Hami
Turpan
-Gaochang ancient ruins
-Bezeklik Thousand Buddha Caves
-Flaming Mountain
Urumqi
Korla
Kucha
Aksu
Kashgar

Cities – Southern route

Loulan
Niya
Kotan
Kashgar

Countries

Kazakhstan
Kyrgyzstan
Tajikistan
Afghanistan
Pakistan

Mountains

Tian Shan
Kunlunshan
Himalayas (Mt. Everest)
Karakoram Range (K2)
Hindu Kush
Pamirs

Deserts

Taklamakan
Gobi