



(ABOVE) TRAGOPAN CABOTI BELONGS TO THE PHEASANT FAMILY AND IS FOUND IN SOUTH-EAST CHINA.

## SANQINGSHAN

### CHINA

*Sitting snugly in the majestic Huaiyushan Mountain range, the Sanqingshan UNESCO Global Geopark offers a captivating mix of geological wonders and cultural heritage with its three iconic peaks, Yujing, Yuxu, and Yuhua representing the founding figures of the Taoist philosophy.*

#### GEOLOGY

The geological history of Sanqingshan is an equally captivating if less fantastical tale. Its roots can be traced back 800 million years to the ancient South China Sea, predating the formation of the Rodinia supercontinent. The rugged terrain of Sanqingshan owes its existence to the rapid rise of a granite fault block, intricately carved by the forces of nature into the remarkable Sanqingshan peak forest. These majestic granite formations create a breathtaking landscape. Among them, the remarkable *Oriental*

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