## CULTURAL HERITAGE

In the realm of legends, Yao Ji, the Oriental Goddess and daughter of the Queen Mother of the West, crossed paths with a humble woodcutter in Sanqingshan. Their hearts instantly intertwined and they shared secret moments of love. However, their affair was discovered by the vengeful Queen Mother, who transformed the woodcutter into a massive python, forever bound to the mountain. Devastated by her lover's fate, Yao Ji returned to the mortal realm, transforming herself into the very mountain where their love had blossomed.

## HIGHLIGHTS

1) Don't miss the hiking routes on the *Hiking Tourism Road System*. The Geopark is considered to be the cradle of *Gan Opera* and *Madeng Drama*, both passed down over hundreds of years.

ABOUT THE PARK

Area:  $433\,km^2$ 

When to visit: All year round

Geopark since: 2012

(RIGHT) DUXIU PEAK IS A GRANITE COLUMN TOWER ON SANQING MOUNTAIN, SHANGRAO. (P264) TIANMEN PEAK CLUSTER. THE BEAUTY DERIVES FROM THE JUXTAPOSITION OF GRANITE FEATURES WITH THE MOUNTAIN'S VEGETATION, AND EVER-CHANGING METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS.

