# MACAU TOURISTS TO GUILIN MARKET RESEARCH

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#### **RESEARCH PROBLEM**

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One of the highest income per capita in the world with 0 public debt level.

Strong spending power
-11% of the income in foreign spending (6.3billion RMB)
-58% in Mainland China

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The falling growth rate of inbound tourists

**GUILIN** 

40% (45 to 65 years old) inbound tourists









#### **Research Question**

Research objective:

Exploring new market for the development of a sustainable rural tourism

Research questions:

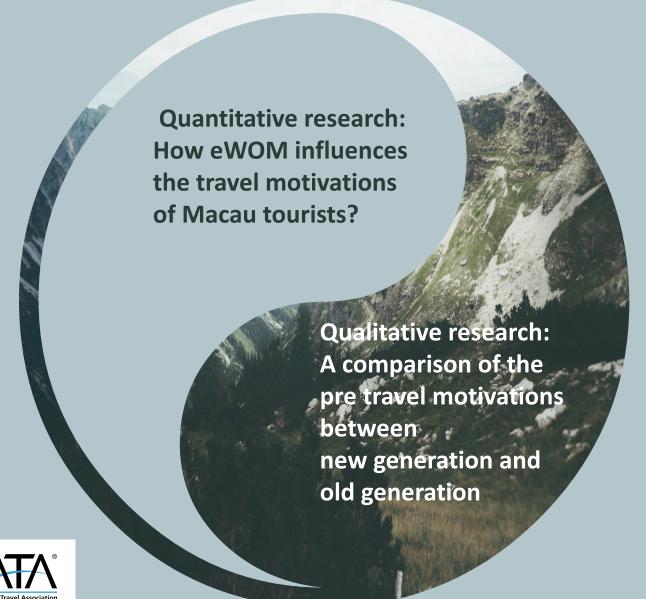
How to attract Macau tourists from Gen Y and Gen Z (new generation)?

How to retain Macau tourists from the middle to old age group (old generation)?





#### Research Objectives

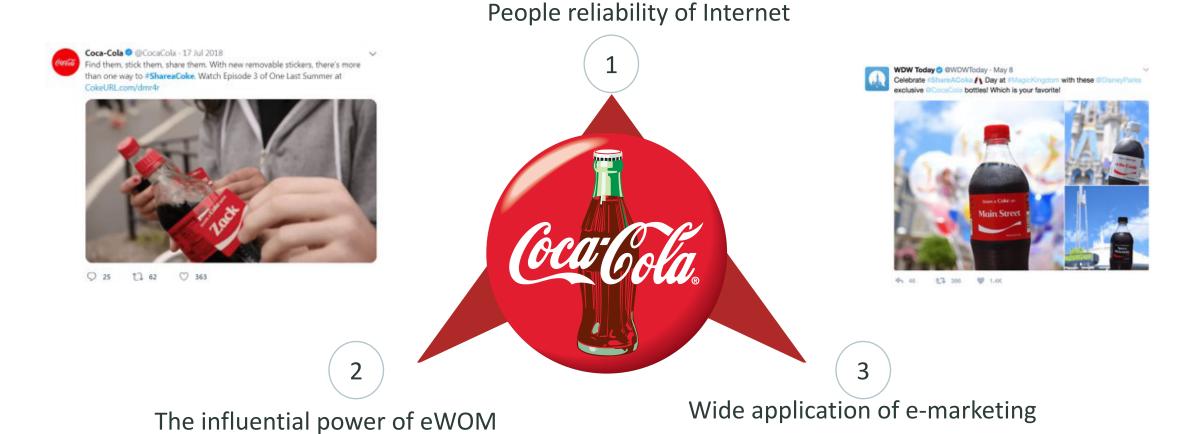








### Why eWOM – Example of #Shareacoke













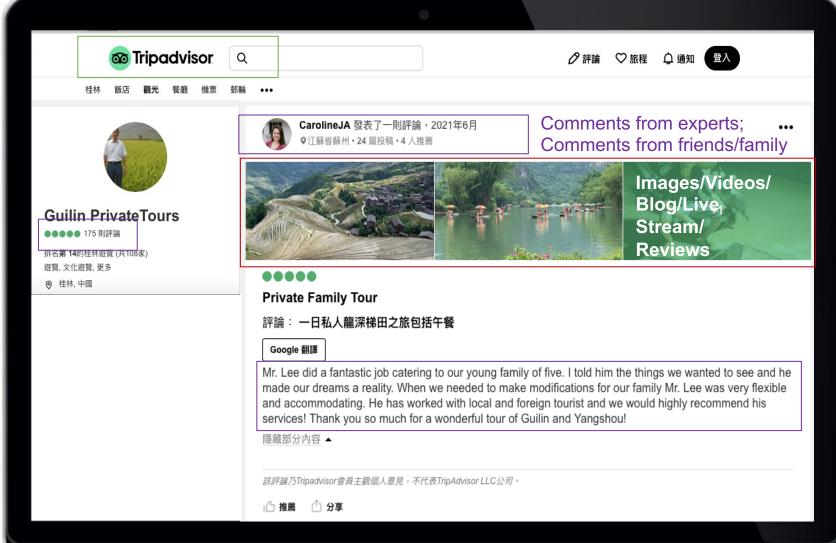


#### Warm up exercise

Review platforms/ Destination official website/ Social networking sites/
Communication app/ Video sharing site

Review Ratings

Reviews that are more or less similar to your own perception



## Methodology (quantitative & qualitative)

Methods of data collection	Quantitative research Surveys	Qualitative research In-depth interviews	
Targeted group	Macau residents who has never been to Guilin	Macau residents who has never been to Guilin	
Total respondents	322 valid samples	29 interviewees	
Structure	55% of the respondents came from young generation (age 15-34)	<ul><li>14 new generation (born after</li><li>1980)</li><li>15 old generation (born before</li><li>1980)</li></ul>	
Analysis method	SPSS – T-test / Regression / Correlation	Coding	







### **Respondents' travel information**

Highlight		Questionnaire
Travel frequency	70%	1-3 times
Length of stay	62%	3-4 days
Travel budget	42%	2,000-4,000 MOP



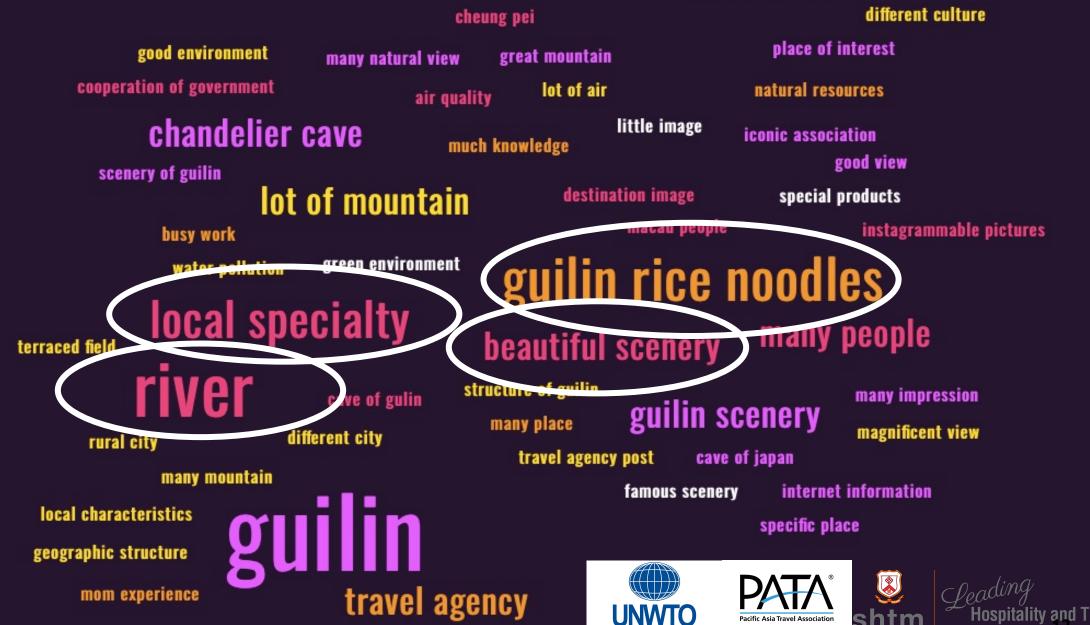






### Destination image (New generation)

#### tourist attractions

















New generation characteristics

Do not have much knowledge about Guilin

Adventurous, local experience, cost-effectiveness, photos



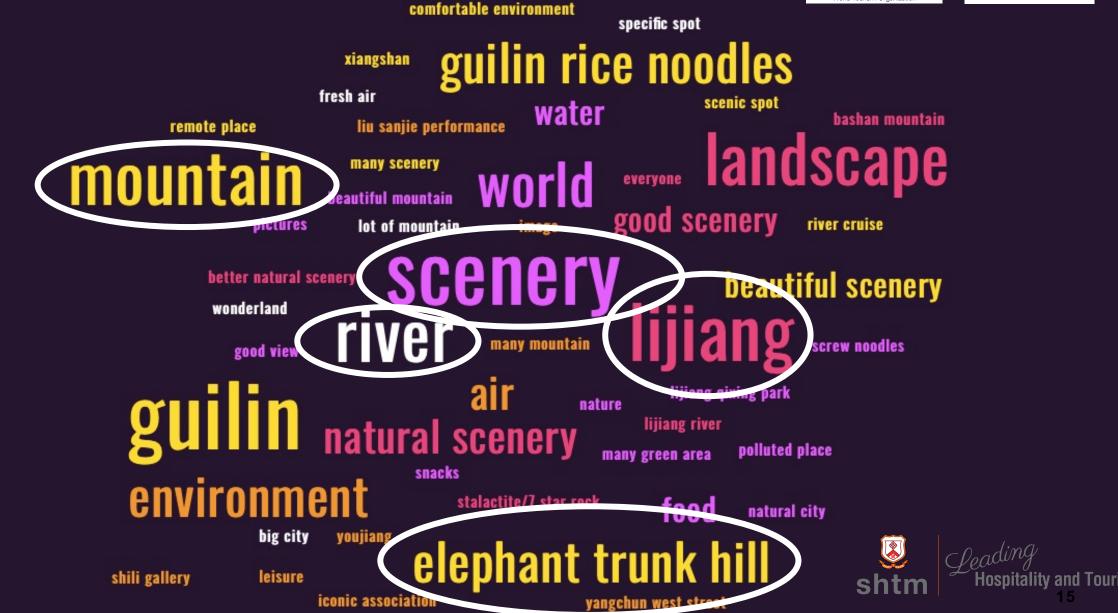


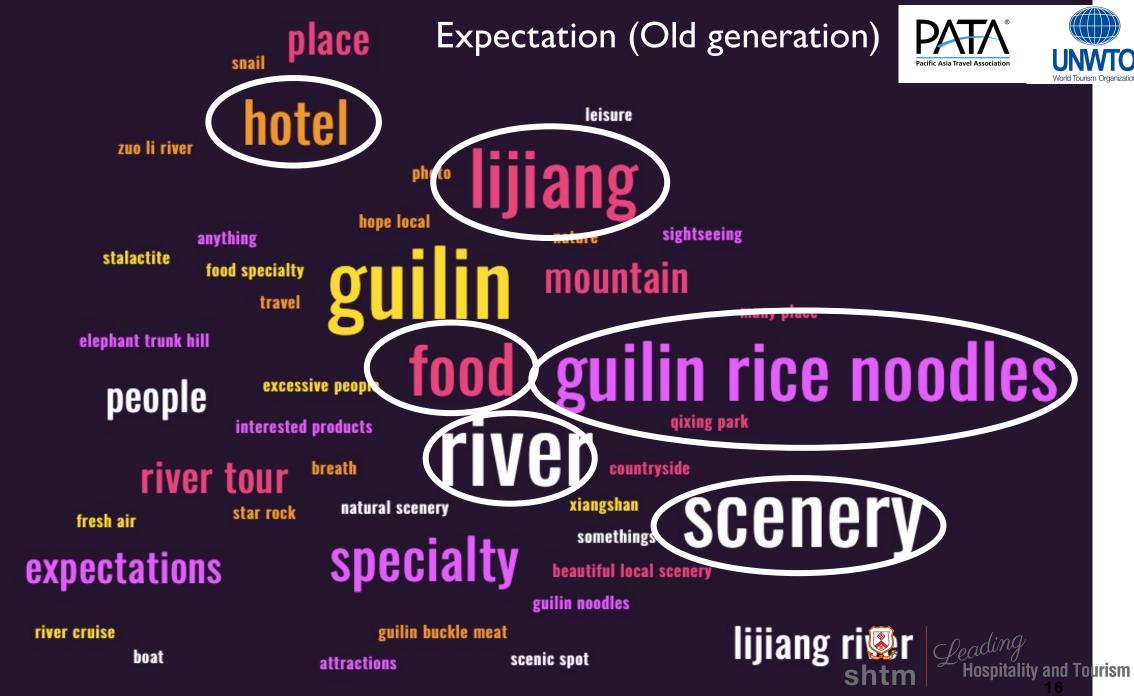


### Destination image (Old generation)











## Old generation characteristics

Food, scenery, activities in nature, accommodations







## Recommendations

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1. Branding & Promotion

2. Cultural and tourism integration

3. Sanitary and safe tourism environment













#### Create strong iconic tourism products

Build solid image focusing on experiential tourism that triggers tourists' emotions.

- 1. Disclosed the interesting side of Guilin to tourists.
- 2. Local experience for youngsters
- 3. Develop a resort area in nature
- In-depth sightseeing tours
- Food and heritage itinerary

# Branding







# Promotion

Official destination videos – experiential tourism, resorts in nature

Tripadvisor, Ctrip, Mafengwo: Expert opinions and website reviews to promote the cost-effectiveness of Guilin tourism. (higher credibility)

Social media with an unopened relationship chain such as WeChat, Line: family, friends, classmates and colleagues. Users has higher credibility in the content about natural scenery.

(Travel KOL) to promote Guilin's activities for youngsters. For examples, rock climbing, rafting, cycling and mountain biking.

# Cultural and tourism integration



Combine the cultural customs and traditional festivals into tourism activities.



Create "Instagrammable" spots







# Sanitary and safe tourism environment

- As per the findings, intimate relationship between Good value of money and hygiene & cleanliness.
- Maintain high standard of cleanliness in public washrooms















Establish a cleaning standard for shops and hotels





Praise shops and hotels that meet hygiene standard



Vaccinated pins for staff



Promote the campaign and pins to tourists











# Suggestions for "i遊桂林" app

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Tourists access for nucleic acid test

Remind tourists nearby festivals and events

Show forecasted visitors flowrate

Update on time pandemic announcements of Guilin and near regions, and the place tourists come from.

Pre-travel: inform tourists pandemic regulation in Guilin. Red/yellow area





