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RAPUNZEL TOWN

45' (GER, FRE, ENG subs)

In the south of China, about 700 km northwest of Hong Kong, lie the famous rice terraces created by indigenous minorities, such as the Yao, Miao and Dong. They still try to live in harmony with nature and save their old customs and traditions into the 21st century.

In the Rapunzeltown Huangluo it is the Yao women who, with spectacular hair lengths of up to two and a half metres, have succeeded in inspiring tourists for their simple village life. With the help of a state tourism promotion programme, a huge leap in development is now to take place. The centuries-old customs are adapted for tourists and are intended to catapult the region economically forward. Folklore as asset - curse or blessing for the Chinese minorities?

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