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Resumo de Yangtze

Weaving together history and natural history, and illustrated with 120 color photos and maps, Yangtze is an illuminating portrait of one of the world's great rivers. Flowing over 3,900 miles, the Yangtze is as vast, varied, and mysterious as China itself.

It rises in the highlands of Tibet, where glaciers create a network of icy channels that form what the Chinese call the Long River. From here, it snakes and cascades its way through some of the world's most spectacular scenery, into the precipitous mountains, narrow gorges, and lush lowlands of eastern China.

Yangtze follows the river on its journey through China; as it does so, it explores the teeming human activity along the river's banks, its flora and fauna, and its role in some of the turning points in Chinese history.

The book also examines the changes and challenges affecting the Yangtze today, including the controversial Three Gorges Dam. Beautiful and informative, Yangtze is a superb portrayal of the river and its long and absorbing history.

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