Title	Symbol	Description
National flag	★ **	The national flag of the People's Republic of China was designed by Zeng Liansong. It has a red field charged with five golden stars in the canton. The color red represents the Communist Revolution, the four smaller stars represents the four social classes in Chinese society, and the largest star represents Chinese unity under the leadership of the Communist Party of China. One corner of each of the four smaller stars points towards the center of the bigger star, representing the principle that unity should go around the center.
National emblem	* * * *	The National Emblem of China includes Tianamen Gate, where Mao declared the foundation of People's Republic of China, in a red circle. Above the Gate are five stars; the largest represents the CPC, while the four smaller stars represent the four social classes. The emblem's outer border contains sheaves of wheat and rice, representing Chinese agricultural workers. At bottom center is a cog-wheel, representing Chinese industrial workers. The red ribbon represents the unification of the Chinese people.
National anthem	"March of the Volunteers"	The national anthem of China is the "March of the Volunteers". Its lyrics were composed by poet and playwright Tian Han and its music was composed by Nie Er.
Founder of the nation	Mao Zedong	Mao Zedong (1893-1976) established the PRC on October 1, 1949, which remains a national holiday. His portrait is displayed on the entrance of Tiananmen Square.
	Qin Shi-huang, the Yellow Emperor	Qin Shi-huang (literally, "First Emperor of Qin") (259 BC - 210 BC) was the founder of the Qin dynasty and then, after the Qin conquered the other Warring States and unified all of China, the first emperor of a unified China. He is widely considered to be the founder of China as a country.
National currency	Renminbi	The renminbi is the official currency of the People's Republic of China. The yuan is its basic unit. The ISO code for renminbi is CHY.
National animal	Giant panda	The national animal of China is the giant panda (Ailuropoda melanolueca), a bear native to south-central China.
	Chinese dragon	The Chinese dragon is a legendary creature appearing in Chinese mythology and folklore. The dragon has many animal-like forms, including those resembling turtles and fish, but is usually depicted as a snake with four legs.
National bird	Red-crowned crane	The red-crowned crane or Manchurian crane (Grus japonensis) is a large East Asian crane and among the rarest cranes in the world. It is found in Siberia (eastern Russia), northeastern China, and the Mongol Daguur Strictly Protected Area in northeastern Mongolia.
	Golden pheasant (unofficial)	The golden pheasant (Chrysolophus pictus) is a game bird of the family Phasianidae. Although it is native to western China, feral populations have been established in the United Kingdom, Canada, the United States, Mexico, Colombia, Peru, Bolivia, Chile, Argentina, Uruguay, the Falkland Islands, Germany, Belgium, the Netherlands, France, Ireland, Australia and New Zealand.
National fruit	Fuzzy kiwifruit	The fuzzy kiwifruit (Actinidia deliciosa) is the national fruit of China. It has fuzzy, dull brown skin and tangy, bright green flesh.
	Jujube	The jujube (Ziziphus zizyphus) is the second national fruit of China. It is an oval drupe 1.5-3 centimeters deep; it resembles a date and has a single hard stone like an olive.
National tree	Ginkgo	Ginkgo (Ginkgo biloba) is the only living species in the division Ginkgophyta, all others being extinct. Six ginkgo trees survived the atomic bombing of Hiroshima.
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