

# Why Tu Cam Thanh has 9,999 rooms but does not have a toilet?

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The Forbidden City or the Palace of the Palace is the palace of both dynasties from the Ming Dynasty to the end of Qing China. The Forbidden City was built during the reign of King Minh Thanh of Chu De, today it becomes a famous historical monument of China.

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Discover the facts about China's Forbidden City, there will definitely be lots of interesting things!



A corner of the Forbidden City.

## Why did the Forbidden City have 9,999 rooms without turning it into 10,000?

According to the concept of the ancient Chinese king, only the emperor's emperor - the supreme king of the sky, the owner of the heavenly family could own and use 10,000 rooms.

Once upon a time, the Chinese emperor was always regarded as a celestial, heavenly and lower-ranked emperor, so he could not use 10,000 rooms. Therefore, the Forbidden City was built with 9,999 rooms.



### **Why does the Forbidden City have no street lights?**

The Forbidden City is a large complex with large and small houses next to each other but absolutely no street lamps for 300 years.

The reason is that in the Minh Hy Tong Chu dynasty's succession (1621), eunuch Wei Trung Hien acquired power in the court, doing many things in the dark, so he excused himself to avoid the standard to remove all both street lights in the Forbidden City.

Since then, Tu Cam Thanh has no street lights during the Ming dynasty, until the Qing Dynasty (because he wanted to imitate Minh's house) and until later.



### **When building the Forbidden City architects have "forgotten" not to build toilets?**

Visitors to the Forbidden City easily find that all public toilets in this large architectural complex are newly built. Ancient architects designed no toilets in this population.

In the past, kings, queens, thousands of women, eunuchs . in the forbidden palace all dealt with 'demand' by using sanitary pots and barrels. They are designed with covers and straw or ash ash inside. After the "settlement"

is complete, the waste will be dumped into the tank and taken away immediately.

Of course, the items of the 'owners' are more sophisticatedly designed, while the items of the women and the eunuchs are only made of raw porcelain materials.

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