

Wednesday the 9'th december 2008

The last hole day of our trip. We woke up about at 8 o'clock to pack our stuff. Another day where we woke up so early. At 9 o'clock we had our breakfast which was included at the tour. It was one of the best breakfasts we had. Toast, eggs (not for me but for Anna) and fruits came on a plate. After the breakfast we packed our laguge and checked out. The bus to the terrakota museum was already waiting for us. Our first stop was the sister hostel where we picked up some other people. There was no place left in the bus. It was an international group of Australians-Koreans, Poland, Brazile, English, France, Chinese and us two (Rusia and German). The tour was in English language.

Our first stop was a alt village which they dig out (ausgraben). There we could see some constructions how the build their buildings a few hundert years ago. We also could see some craves (Gräber). The people in their looked very small (klein). To this time they must been very small. It was quiet interesting. Anna found in the shop their a mouse. Her family collects mice. Then we went to a company which produce terrakotta worriers as souvenirs. From a small worrier to a real one. They showed us how they produce them and told us a few things about the status of the worriers. In the shop I bought one worrier so I'm sure that it is a real one. In front of the factory was a wooden worrier without a hat. There you could put your hat on it. Of course everybody made a picture of it with himself.

It was already a few minutes after 12 o'clock so we went to a restaurant for lunch. We went to a tourism restaurant and had there lunch which was not the best one. I had even better lunch then this one. But to feel not hungry it was OK and the price was also not that expansive (25 RMB each including one drink). While we were talking we figure out that some of the group are civil engeneer (Bauingenieur). We passed the mausoleum of the kaiser who build up the terrakotta armee. Very close to the mausoleum was the terrakotta armee museum. As that moment we went out sellers wanted to sell their things. Like this we never saw it before. Our guide told us not to speak to them because then they wouldn't stopp to follow you. In a souvenir shop was the person who found 1974 the terrakotta armee. He was a farmer before and is now a reach man. While he is sitting there to shake people the hand and write his name into books from tourists he earns money. At the first entrance we showed our tickets at the first time. Then we had to walk to the next entrance where we had to show again our card. There was also a security check like at the airport. But I think this thing didn't work. I had so many matal at my body and it didn't make any noise. We went through the different pits (Ausstellungshallen). The first one was very big and there have been a lot of worriers. The second pit we saw was a little bit smaler. It was quiet interesting to see that figures but not that special for me. As a digger (Archäologe) it must be much more interesting. Another pit was closed because they had to repair the roof. That's China! This building must be about 20 years old and they have to repair it already.

Our tour in the museum was over and we wanted to go out a short cut (Abkürzung). But they didn't let us pass the door. We discussed very long without any successe. So we had to walk back the whole way. At the exit the sellers already waiting for tourists. It was no fun any more. Even when we sit in the bus they knocked at the window and wanted to sell their stuff. Then we drove back to the hostel.

Anna and me went a supermarkt. We saw yesterday only a sign. Till we found it we had to walk a very long distance. For our journey in the train we bought a lot of things. With the bus we went to the hostel to store our stuff we bought. Then we went to the muslim quarter (Muslime Viertel) to eat some Dumplings (kleine Maultaschen) after a long walk we finally found some. It was already time (20:00) to go to the railway station. To the railway station we took a taxi which was with the huge mountain of luggage more comfortable. At the railway station there was a huge crowd of people. To get it we had to wait for it. And inside there have been so many people on two floors we never saw before. We didn't had to wait that long for our train. Before we went through the ticket check we wait very long that we didn't have that crowd of people around us. Even in front of our wagon we wait a little bit till we went inside. Inside everybody looked at us as normal. Our train left the station about at 21:30 o'clock. Not very long after we left the station we went into our beds.



picture 1: Terrakotta Armee in pit 1