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A painted anthropoid coffin from Saqqara in Egypt is unveiled at Shanghai Museum this week. The exhibition “Pinnacle of the Pyramid: Ancient Egyptian Civilization” opens on July 18 and will feature 788 artifacts, with over 95 percent on display in Asia for the first time. The exhibition will run through August 2025. — Xinhua

Full steam ahead for 8-hour scenic railway loop

Yangtze River Delta regional high-speed railway loop



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THE much-anticipated G8388 high-speed train departed from Shanghai Railway Station last Saturday, marking the launch of a new eight-hour scenic loop through the Yangtze River Delta.

This route offers travelers a comprehensive tour of the region’s most iconic sights, culminating in a timely return to Shanghai for dinner.

The G8388 train’s journey

spans more than 1,200 kilometers, starting from Shanghai Railway Station and making stops at 19 locations before arriving back at Shanghai Hongqiao Railway Station.

Lu Yingping, deputy director of Huangshan District’s administration of culture, tourism and sports, highlighted that this route would significantly enhance cultural and tourism exchanges, facilitating the flow of green agricultural products

to metropolitan markets and integrating Huangshan more deeply into the development of the Yangtze River Delta.

Zhou Xiaobing, deputy chief engineer of the China Railway Shanghai Design Institute, emphasized that this route improves the overall efficiency and effectiveness of the rail network by connecting main lines with branch lines, thus optimizing passenger flow and transport efficiency.

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