

## Caring Design, Cozy Compartment

The XRL train body is in a metallic silver tone, richly decorated with white and red waves. The sharp orange arc on the side of the first car is symbol of a Chinese dragon and denotes the Chinese tradition. Seats inside the train compartments are in different colours, with the use of soft lighting to create a pleasant travel environment. Hand luggage racks are installed above the seats. A rack for bulky luggage is also available in each compartment for the convenience of passengers.



First Class compartment



Second Class compartment



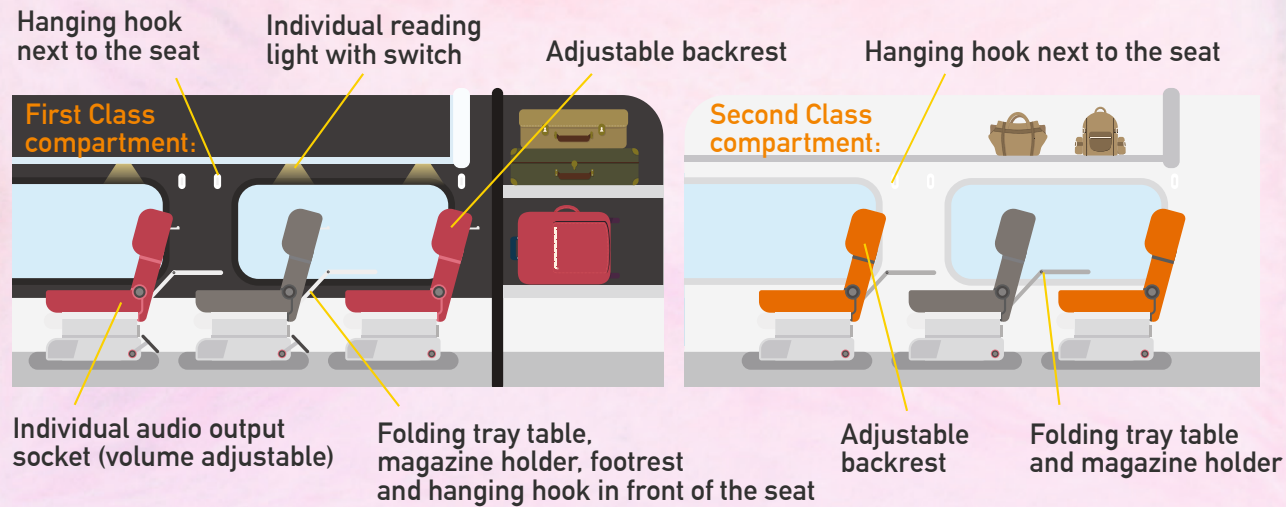
Multi-standard power sockets

The Hong Kong Section of the  
Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link

# Better connections Unleash endless potential

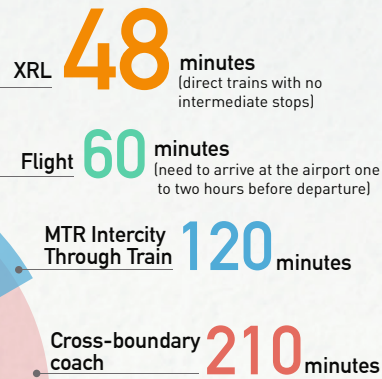


To make the journey more comfortable,  
the First Class and Second Class compartments come with different features:



## Comparison between various transport means

(excluding time for customs/immigration clearance)



## Higher Speed, Greater Efficiency

The Hong Kong Section of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link (XRL) will connect Hong Kong with the national high-speed rail network which is over 20 000km long. It will be a reliable and efficient alternative to short- and medium-haul flights, and significantly reduce the journey time and cost between Hong Kong and Mainland cities. Business, travelling or visiting relatives will be a breeze.

Travelling time between Hong Kong and Guangzhou



## Better Planning, Greener Living

Situated in the centre of a bustling metropolis and right next to MTR Kowloon Station and Austin Station, the West Kowloon Station (WKS) of the XRL is well served by a comprehensive transport network. With innovative green construction planning, 6 hectares of green open space will be provided at the WKS and create an "urban oasis" for the public.



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hectares of public space and green walking zone

The WKS, adjacent to the West Kowloon Cultural District (WKCD), will attract more Mainland and overseas performers and visitors to the WKCD's arts and cultural activities, and the WKCD will, in turn, generate higher passenger traffic for the XRL. These two projects will complement each other.

The XRL can effectively reduce emission of gas and pollutants and improve energy management efficiency, conducive to Hong Kong's sustainable development.



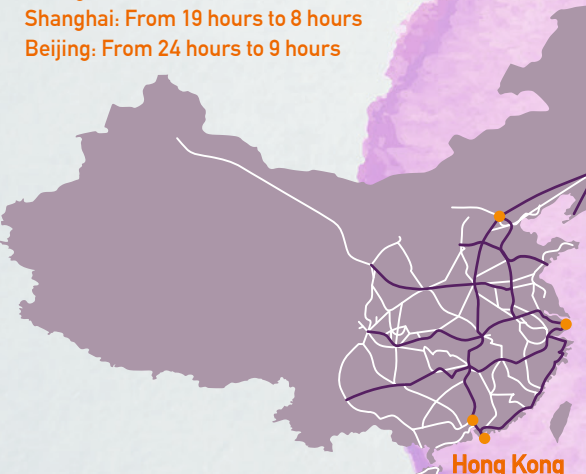
## Carbon emission

Only 15% of that by plane.  
Only 25% of that by car/coach

## Moving Ahead, Following World Trend

Reducing the rail journey time to Mainland cities by more than half

Guangzhou: From 2 hours to 48 minutes  
Shanghai: From 19 hours to 8 hours  
Beijing: From 24 hours to 9 hours



The XRL will strengthen the connectivity between Hong Kong and Mainland cities, especially the Pearl River Delta (PRD) region, and facilitate cultural, educational and commercial exchanges. It will also facilitate Hong Kong-Mainland co-operation and development in various sectors such as finance, trade and professional services, and open up more opportunities for business activities.

The XRL will also enhance the city's tourism industry, attracting tourists to travel to and from Hong Kong by rail. The development of high-speed rail is becoming an international trend. The XRL symbolises Hong Kong's transport infrastructure, like other advanced transport systems in the world, moving ahead with the times.

## Strategic Role, New Opportunities

Hong Kong is a place where east meets west. It serves international markets as a gateway to China, and acts as a springboard for China to the international arena. The XRL will connect Hong Kong speedily to Mainland cities and provinces, reducing travelling time between Hong Kong and the PRD region in particular. It will foster closer ties between Hong Kong and the Mainland, thereby enhancing development for mutual benefits.

The XRL will bolster our strategic position as the regional transport hub, and create new opportunities for the medium- and long-term development of Hong Kong.

