

⇒ Talking about Pros and Cons in Chinese: 5 Native Speakers Share Their Thoughts on China's Most Popular Ride-hailing App

Pros

Speaker 1:

lì de huà, wǒ jué de jiù bǐ jiào fāng biàn ba.

利的话，我觉得就比较方便吧。

I think the advantage is that... it's quite convenient.

sī jī shī fù shì gè háng gè yè de rén.

司机师傅是各行各业的人。

The drivers come from all walks of life.

rán hòu ne, tā men de xìng gé ne, yě shì gè zhǒng gè yàng de.

然后呢，他们的性格呢，也是各种各样的。

And then, their personalities are also diverse.

wǒ jué de fēi cháng hǎo wán er, tè bié yǒu qù de yī jiàn shì er.

我觉得非常好玩儿，特别有趣的一件事情。

I think it's a really fun and interesting thing.

Speaker 2:

lì de huà, tā kě néng bù xiàng dī shì nèi yàng.

利的话，它可能不像的士那样。

The advantage is that it's not like (regular) taxis...

yīn wèi dī shì, tā zài zhōng guó de huà, dī shì yǒu jiāo bān qī.

因为的士，它在中国的话，的士有交班期。

Because, in China, taxis have periods where they get handed over to the next workshift.

nèi xiē dī shì huì jù zài.

那些的士会拒载。

Those taxis will refuse to take passengers.

rán hòu, dī shì xiāng duì lái shuō, bǐ dī dī chū xíng huì guì yī diǎn.

然后，的士相对来说，比滴滴出行会贵一点。

And... taxis are relatively expensive compared to Didi Chuxing.

suǒ yǐ shuō, rén men jué de yòu fāng biàn, rán hòu yòu biàn yí.

所以说，人们觉得又方便，然后又便宜。

So, people think it (Didi Chuxing) is both convenient and cheap.

kě néng huì xuǎn zé yòng zhè gè.

可能会选择用这个。

(So) They are likely to choose this.

Speaker 3:

o! zhè gè shí zài shì shí dà fā míng zhī yī, chāo jí hǎo yòng!

哦！这个实在是十大发明之一，超级好用！

Oh! This is really one of the top ten inventions, it's super useful!

yīn wèi zhēn de, wa!

因为真的，哇！

Because it's truly...Wow!

xià tiān bù xiǎng zǒu chū qù gōng jiāo chē zhàn zuò chē de shí hòu,

夏天不想走出去公交车站坐车的时候，

When I don't want to go to the bus stop and wait for the the bus in the summer,

yī gè dī dī qù dào nǐ jiā mén kǒu, tài shuǎng le!

一个滴滴去到你家门口，太爽了！

A "Didi" straight to your door... It's really amazing!

Speaker 4:

dī dī chū xíng lì de huà, yīng gāi jiù shì...

滴滴出行利的话，应该就是...

The advantage of Didi Chuxing is probably that...

nǐ kě yǐ suí shí tōng guò shǒu jī lái jìn xíng yī gè jiào chē.

你可以随时通过手机来进行一个叫车。

You can always get a car with your mobile phone.

nǐ jiù bù yòng zǒu dào gōng jiāo chē zhàn nài biān qù děng chē le.

你就不用走到公交车站那边去等车了。

You don't have to go to the bus stop and wait for the bus over there.

Speaker 5:

tā huì yǒu nài gè xíng zǒu de lù xiàn.

它会有那个行走的路线。

There's a route map in the Didi Chuxing app...

nǐ kě néng huì zhī dào nài gè sī jī yǒu méi yǒu rào lù.

你可能会知道那个司机有没有绕路。

You probably know if the driver takes the long route or not.

rán hòu... diū diào dōng xī de huà,

然后...丢掉东西的话，

And if you leave your stuff (in the car)...

yīn wèi dōu yǒu lián xì fāng shì , yě kě néng huì bǐ jiào róng yì zhǎo dào .

因为都有联系方式，也可能会比较容易找到。

Since we have a way to contact each other, it's probably also easier to find it.

Cons

Speaker 1:

bù hǎo de dì fāng jiù shì ,

不好的地方就是，

The bad thing is that...

qí shí tā de ān quán méi yǒu bèi wán quán de bǎo zhàng .

其实它的安全没有被完全地保障。

Actually, safety is not fully ensured.

rú guǒ shuō shì wǎn shàng , nǚ shēng dān dú zài wài miàn ,

如果说是晚上，女生单独在外面，

If, for example, a girl is out alone at night...

rán hòu ...bèi yī gè sī jī jiē dào , wàn yī nèi gè sī jī tú móu bù guǐ ,

然后...被一个司机接到，万一那个司机图谋不轨，

... and is picked up by a driver. What if the driver is up to something bad?

kě néng nèi gè nǚ shēng jiù zāo yāng le.

可能那个女生就遭殃了。

That girl will probably suffer.

Speaker 2:

shuō dào bì de huà, nà yīng gāi jiù shì yǒu yī xiē sī jī,

说到弊的话，那应该就是有一些司机，

When it comes to the disadvantage, it 's probably that... there are some drivers...

tā de fú wù tài dù bù shì hěn hǎo.

他/她的服务态度不是很好。

His/her service attitude is not so good.

kě néng huì yù dào yī xiē pí qì bǐ jiào bào zào de sī jī,

可能会遇到一些脾气比较暴躁的司机，

You may meet some quite hot-tempered drivers.

nǐ huì jué de... fú wù de gǎn shòu bù shì hěn hǎo.

你会觉得...服务的感受不是很好。

You'll feel... The service experience is not so good.

Speaker 3:

méi shén me tài duō de bì chù ba, hái hǎo.

没什么太多的弊端吧，还好。

There are no major disadvantages. It's alright.

jiù shì bǐ jiào biàn mǐn de yī zhǒng fā míng, wǒ jué de tǐng hǎo a!

就是比较便民的一种发明，我觉得挺好啊！

It's just a kind of invention that's quite convenient for people. I think it's very good!

wǒ jué de tǐng hǎo a! suǒ yǐ gěi dī dī de lǎo zǒng diǎn gè zàn!

所以给滴滴的老总点个赞！

So I give a thumbs up to the boss of Didi Chuxing.

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