Enlightenment of the Traditional Wedding Customs of the Bai People in Dali, China on Modern Marriage

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Abstract. Marriage is a civilized form of reproduction in human society and a highly economical product. Human beings have always regarded marriage as an epoch-making gift of life, and paid special attention to it. At a certain age, a man should marry and have children, and a woman should find someone to marry and only when her children get married and become a family, parents can settle their desire to raise their children, and they can partially unload their burdens and responsibilities and begin to enjoy family happiness.

As the 15th largest minority in China, The Bai People has its own national customs and is unique in art.

The traditional and ancient marriage ceremony of The Bai People makes the marriage of The Bai People more stable and long-lasting. The author made an investigation and research on the wedding customs of the Bai ethnic group in Dali, Yunnan in order to draw the strength of marriage from the traditional marriage customs and etiquette of The Bai People in Dali. It is found that the wedding customs of The Bai People are complicated, but at the same time, they are full of sense of ceremony, good wishes for married life and beautiful yearning for future life. The Bai People’s wedding customs and etiquette, which are full of ritual, can help both parties to deepen mutual understanding, have a sense of belonging and family, and thus consolidate their sense of responsibility.

The Bai people’s wedding customs are divided into three parts: before, during and after the wedding.

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1 Introduction

With the development of science and technology, civilization continues to enlightenment, many traditional Chinese culture in many anachronistic feudal bad habits were eliminated by the times, but in the changing times, fine traditions with national and traditional characteristics also slowly disappeared in the long history, and with it the spirit and meaning behind those cultures are also partly forgotten. Weddings can be described as a small microcosm of a culture, and all peoples around the world attach great importance to weddings. In most weddings in China today, the ceremony is too simple compared
to tradition and lacks a certain sense of ceremony, which makes many people lose their sense of respect for marriage, diluting the responsibilities and obligations of both parties, and many choose to escape in the face of conflicts. However, studies have found that the Bai people have a better sense of happiness in marriage than most other ethnic groups, and this has a lot to do with the strong ethnic characteristics of weddings, where the Bai people have abandoned traditional bad practices while retaining most of the traditional rituals. The wedding is solemn and artistic, divided into three parts: before the wedding, during the wedding, and after the wedding, and the three parts are intertwined and powerful. We believe that such a grand wedding can make the marriage parties have a deeper affection and firm responsibility for the family, which is a great inspiration for most modern marriages.

2 Etiquette and Customs Before the Wedding

2.1 Matchmaking

Matchmaking is also called making the match, that is, through matchmaking, both men and women can get along well with each other. The traditional concept of feudal ethical code is that “Men and women can’t hand-deliver goods to each other”, emphasizing that “there is no cloud or rain in the sky, and there is no matchmaker on the ground without getting married” and “parents’ orders and matchmakers’ words”. This “matchmaker” refers to the matchmaker. It is usually the man’s business to ask for a matchmaker. If the woman is interested in marriage, both sides can send people to visit each other. Matchmaker plays an important role in traditional marriage. In the old customs, men and women can only get married after being introduced by a matchmaker. The matchmaker’s willingness to make a match between men and women can be described as the beauty of adults. Bai people put special emphasis on gratitude and kindness, and the kindness to matchmakers is called “three generations never forget matchmakers”.

At present, young Bai men and women love each other freely, and they no longer emphasize “parents’ orders and matchmakers’ words” 1. However, “matchmaker’s words” still play an important role. Although men and women are free to fall in love, many problems from love to marriage must be communicated and coordinated by matchmakers.

2.2 Propose Marriage

Proposing Marriage is blind date, and the old ethical code restricts women seriously. Unmarried women usually don’t get out of the gate, and they don’t step out of the door, so they stay in the room. Even if you go out, you need to walk with your head down. If a girl walks with her head held high, she is considered ill-bred and criticized. You can’t just let people look at their looks or get along with the opposite sex.

The proposing marriage is made by the man (or by the woman when recruiting a son-in-law. Once you find out about a good girl or a beautiful young man. Or the man or the woman asks the matchmaker to make an appointment in it, and chooses an auspicious day. The matchmaker informs both men and women to go and see a girl or a young man,
which is called blind date. Either the man or the woman goes on a blind date, mainly depending on whether both men and women like it or not. When the young man arrives at the woman’s house (when he recruits a son-in-law, the girl can only hide in the room and peek through the door). Once she likes the young man, she makes an excuse to serve tea, pour water and give out the cigarette, and come out to see the appearance of the young man. If the girl doesn’t go out, moves things in the room, makes a loud noise, or coughs constantly, the woman’s parents will be insincere in preparing meals, just talk instead of cooking meals, and let the man leave. China is a nation with a high context culture. Such unpleasant things can’t be told clearly. It’s up to both men and women and matchmakers to fail in blind date by observing their feelings. If the woman or the man’s parents prepare meals warmly and entertain warmly, it indicates that the blind date is successful.

2.3 Divination

“Divination” is also called “collocation of eight characters”. Marriage is based on mutual agreement. Through mutual agreement, both men and women and the parties have initially reached a consensus that both parties are willing to marry happily. For the sake of their children’s life, especially for the future, parents of both sides make use of relatives and friends to make unannounced visits to each other’s “underground work” after blind date, focusing on understanding each other’s behavior, character and morality. At this time, the matchmaker’s “matchmaker’s words” play an important role. By their verbal persuasion, they impress the other parents, and make them show their birthdays and eight characters to lay the foundation for a happy marriage.

2.4 Visiting

Visiting is the only way to get married, and the destiny is appropriate. It is believed that the two men and women are born by destiny, and they can get married and move forward. This initiative was initiated by the suitor. If it is one-sided wishful thinking, with one’s own subjective will, objectively speaking, things are difficult to do, and even go to the opposite side. Therefore, it is often matched by the matchmaker, so that the expected results can be obtained. The matchmaker was entrusted by the relatives-seeking party to inform the other party, indicating that the two parties, dragon and rabbit entangled with each other were destined to be rich. It was the fate of a previous life, and they were born in a pair. By taking advantage of the popularity of the boat, the matchmaker tactfully resolved the other party’s concerns and dispelled his indecision, thus facilitating the two parties to reach a consensus on this marriage, accepting the betrothal gift and agreeing to keep the appointment and the number of people on time.

On the day of the visiting, the two sides sincerely invite some relatives and friends. After the guests are seated, the host presents three tea and cigarettes of The Bai People, which is a traditional hospitality custom and has been handed down from generation to generation. After that, the housewife of the host party led the afterlife to present gifts to the female guests sitting on the terrace, giving red envelopes to the guests and children. After all the formalities are finished, the host hands to both sides of the living room, and invites the guests to take a seat. The seats are arranged according to the orientation of the
host house, with the chairman in the middle and vice seats on both sides. The seats are
mainly held by the supreme people of both sides, and the guests in the seats frequently
raise their glasses and toast each other, wishing a happy marriage and a bright future.

2.5 Requisition

Requisition is an important procedure that a man must go through before marrying a
woman, that is, the traditional gift, also known as the bride price. The honorific party
first chooses the auspicious day of the zodiac, and asks the matchmaker to tell the other
party about the auspicious day. The specific time must be held under the consensus of
both parties, and the main content is the exchange of the books and betrothal gifts. The
man who marries his daughter-in-law sends it to the woman as a Qian book, and the
woman who marries her daughter-in-law sends it to the man as a Kun book. Nowadays,
it’s called Qian Kun’s invitation letter. In ancient times, it was the marriage certificate.
Without this etiquette, it is difficult to get married. After receiving the betrothal gifts,
either men and women are bound by ethics-you have given birthdates to others, marriage
is not a child’s play, and terminating marriage is not a casual matter. The bride price
should be listed in the list of items, and the man sends it to the woman for writing, and
the woman sends it to the man for writing. This is the bride price of two invitations. Gifts
of receiving the betrothal gifts need to be in pairs. Singular number is the most taboo,
and it is considered unlucky. The dowry also contains auspicious language, such as two
bottles of rice cake (rising step by step), two pieces of red fish (more than auspicious),
two pieces of cigarettes (happy marriage), eight boxes of brown sugar (make a fortune),
two bottles of white wine (lasting forever), two pieces of lotus root (white and flawless,
communicating with each other), four pomegranates (many children and grandchildren)
and two pieces of vermicelli (grow old together).

With the development of the times, in order to conform to the trend of the times,
dry ceremony and water ceremony appeared before marriage. However, the etiquette
and customs have remained unchanged for thousands of years. No matter what kind
of etiquette, money and things are given back with money eight or six to show that
they are reserved for the bride and the recruiter. (In the Bai people’s language, “six” is
homophonic with “fu” and “lu”, so Bai people like the number six).

3 Customs in Weddings

The wedding ceremony is the most important procedure in the marriage after the opening
of the red book, which usually takes four days to complete. On the first day, a colorful
shed is set up to create an atmosphere for the wedding celebration. The colorful shed
is usually built with pine branches on Cangshan Mountain, and then decorated with
colorful flowers, in order to show its happiness. Secondly, tables, chairs, and cooking
utensils are used to prepare the banquet. The chairs and tables used in tents used to
be brought by family relatives themselves. Nowadays, tables, chairs, benches, cooking
utensils, etc. are used for banquets, specially prepared by the village association for the
elderly or individual families, so that guests can rent them. The most lively is the two-day
wedding, namely, “having a bad meal” and “having a formal dinner”, and the fourth day
is the end of the wedding, namely, “having a fish breakfast”. On the day of “Eating”, the organizers will kill pigs early in the morning and prepare staple food for the wedding banquet. During the wedding ceremony, “having a meal” and having a formal dinner for two days, there are dozens of etiquette customs, which fully demonstrate the excellent etiquette customs of the Bai people for 5,000 years and the cultural heritage of the plateau. These wedding ceremonies and customs are the inheritance and development of traditional etiquette and customs, and they are also the eulogy of people’s happy life today.

3.1 Accompany the Bridegroom

“Accompanying the bridegroom” is a pivotal figure in the wedding and festive activities of the two men. It is the groom’s official’s guardian, and also known as a think tank for making suggestions. There is only one big wedding in life, and it is also an important milestone in life. The groom’s important duty is to be the groom’s official, and everything else depends on this couple to escort him. It is usually assumed by unmarried young people who know etiquette, are good at communication and have quick thinking reaction. Accompanying bridegroom should not only be able to turn unfavorable factors into favorable factors, but also ensure that etiquette is in place to greet the bride and get home smoothly and on time. It is the basic quality requirement of accompanying the bridegroom to resist by force. A wedding procession is huge. Those who hold the battle, beat gongs and drums and play the suona, blow and beat across villages and towns.

3.2 Continue the Delicacies “Vegetarian Dishes” Through the Ages

The “vegetarian dishes” in the wedding banquet are indispensable sacrifices for worship. Vegetarian vegetarian food “vegetarian food”, meat “crisp meat” on the big day (also known as the big meeting day), and hot and sour fish “on the successful end of the day” are the fixed dishes of wedding banquets, among which vegetarian food is a sacrifice offering and a vegetarian food that worships the gods and ancestors’ undead. Serve meat and vegetable crisp meat, cut it into pieces with lean meat, cut it with knife flowers, mix it with honey, a small amount of white wine and small flour, and fry it in an oil pan. The color turns into scarlet, which shows that people should be kind and need to be tempered in the world. Crisp meat, elbow skin (black skin) are placed on the mat surface to form two couples. The heaven and the earth are combined with yin and yang, and the circle is full. In the future, the population will be prosperous and the family business will be prosperous. The end of the Japanese hot and sour fish is delicious, and “fish” and “Yu” are homonyms, which means more than auspicious, happiness and well-being.

Three famous dishes, which occupy an important position in the wedding banquet of Bai people and have lasted for thousands of years, have remained unchanged since ancient times. No one raised any objection and no one dared to take the lead in changing them. Its inner essence, the most fundamental thing is to celebrate a happy life, pursue a happy life and live and work in peace and contentment.
3.3 Place the Bed and Put the Quilts Together

Placement of bed in the man’s house is carried out according to the selected date. Most of the time is in the evening or evening of vegetarian meal day. Please be kind to the old couple who are married and have children and daughters. Before you start, you need to give each of the two old people a bowl of poached eggs. In some places, poached eggs and noodles are cooked together, but no matter how they are matched, you must add brown sugar, which is called “Sweet and live forever” and will last forever. Around the bed, the old couple first used dry pine branches to drive out evil spirits, and then worshipped the male bed mother. At the foot of each of the four sides of the bed, they put a bag of pine nuts and sunflower seeds packed in red paper. On the evening of vegetarian meal, the groom invites his companion to sleep together, a custom called “pressing the bed”.

The bride’s family put the quilt together. The day before the wedding day, the bride menstruation or aunt joined the four corners of the quilt, sewed a bag of pine nuts and sunflower seeds wrapped in red paper, and sewed another package in the middle of the quilt. In addition to the pine nuts and sunflower seeds, two longan pieces were added, which were called early birth of your son and all the children were admitted.

3.4 Fragrance Cabinet

The procedure for the bride to send dowry and box her locker is held on the evening of vegetarian meal. Participants in the incense cabinet are the bride’s close relatives, mother, sister-in-law, sister and aunt, menstruation, etc. Each person needs to prepare a gift in advance, and put it in the incense cabinet together with the dowry. The incense cabinet is filled with bedding, clothes, shoes and socks, jujube, litchi, longan, peanuts, pine nuts, sunflower seeds, fried rice flowers, candy, etc. The pebbles in the heart of the river, wrapped in red paper, are pressed to the bottom of the cabinet, which means that you have an early birth, a good fortune, and a good marriage. Packed in rice, salt and tea to ward off evil spirits and avoid evil, and pray for peace. Other dowry that are not suitable for storage should be placed in a conspicuous place. The box is ready, the cabinet is locked, and the key is given to the bride for safekeeping. It can only be opened in the happy day. The two incense cabinets bear the deep friendship of the relatives of the maiden family, wishing her daughter a happy life, a husband and wife, a long life together, a beautiful unicorn, and a prosperous future for five generations.

3.5 Give Golden Flowers and Crown Ceremony

The newly-married man wears golden flower and the bride wears a crown. According to the traditional etiquette, it is done before the wedding ceremony. This is another procedure before getting married and getting on the sedan chair. Both men and women are held in their own homes. In ancient times, the man placed a five-litre bucket in front of the ancestral tablet in the middle of the living room, with a chair on it, so that the bridegroom could sit on the chair and face the ancestral tablet; Ask an elderly husband and wife to comb the groom’s hair three times in sequence. Then put on your wedding dress and hat, worship heaven and earth, and give thanks to your elders and parents.
Make three obeisances and nine knocks for the first time, and pray that after marriage, children and grandchildren will last forever. The bridegroom stands upright and kneels to wait for the bonus. This custom is that the uncle or uncle holds the bonus incense plate in his hand for worship (the bonus incense plate is placed under the ancestor’s spiritual position in advance). After the worship, the groom’s father will wear it for him personally. After wearing the golden flowers, the bridegroom kowtowed to thank his father, who threw his hands, which meant: From now on, you are an adult, so you can bear your responsibilities, enjoy my family happiness, and my family business will be supported by you. After the ceremony, the elders will send a bride price, which means that you should not forget the kindness of nurturing and starting a business to start a family, and help your predecessors’ flagpoles straight.

3.6  Courtesy of Sending Dinner

Traditionally, dinner is held on the afternoon of vegetarian meal, and it is sent to the married party by the man or the husband. This etiquette, also known as sending small gifts, is the last procedure before marriage. In ancient times, giving small gifts is taboo. Gifts should be in pairs, such as two sets of clothes, four pairs of shoes and socks, twenty-six pounds of fresh pork, two fans, two roots, two fresh fish, four bottles of white wine, two packs of salt, two cigarettes, and four hundred yuan in cash… The gift-givers are all the closest relatives of the family, aunt menstruation, aunt and sister-in-law, except one accompanying Lang. Today, with the development of society, bulk goods such as fresh meat, clothes, etc. are mostly converted into cash, and they can be purchased at the shops themselves. And the petty bourgeois continues to deliver goods. Be polite and orderly when you get married, and respect your dear ones. In addition to giving back the groom’s clothes, she also transfers round-trip cash.

3.7  The Wedding Ceremony

It’s commonly known as picking up a new wife, is after the opening ceremony on the wedding day. The opening table is decorated according to the orientation of the host’s house, with the middle facing the living room as the chief and the two sides as deputy seats. First, the groom’s official position is on the left, and the grandfather’s position is on the right (the father takes the position when the grandfather dies). Opposite is the groomsmen, on the left hand side is the old matchmaker couple, and on the right hand side is the boy and girl who pressed the sedan chair in red; The groom’s left and right deputy seats are for the wedding guests, the other seats are for the elderly in the village, and the rest are for the guests. The dishes are arranged in a standard way, with crispy meat and elbow skin in the center, also commonly known as two couples. This is the sum of the yin and yang of heaven and earth, and other dishes are arbitrarily placed around. After the meal, we leave the sedan chair, and the older generation of the clan worship the horse wine with incense trays in their hands, and salute the horses. If you meet the funeral procession on the way, it will be a good omen, and a salute will greet you with joy5. The welcoming team arrived at the bride’s house, and kept firing three salutes and rejoicing. After the wedding procession enters the door, the bridegroom sits in the living room, and is rewarded by the companion. On auspicious days, all deacons
invite the woman’s parents at the same time, and the elders of the family are in place, and the bridegroom pays homage to the ancestors of heaven and earth and rewards the parents for their kindness. After the ceremony, thank-you invitations were presented, the wedding guests were seated, and after three rounds of wine, the dishes were mixed, and the ceremony and music sang loudly. The bridegroom went into the boudoir with courtesy and decency, and the new bride boarded the sedan chair (now the sedan chair is replaced by a car). All ancient and modern times are forbidden to go back, and can’t go back according to the original road. The wedding procession got off the sedan chair and went home across Changqing Road, which was covered with branches and leaves of pines and cypresses. Near the gate, the family members who greeted the sedan chair were not busy welcoming the guests with incense. The wedding procession should be in stop for a minute at the gate, which was intended to rub off the pride of the bride when she was a girl, and make her tender and gentle, know how to honor her parents, unite and love her peers, care for the next generation, and make her husband and wife be obedient. A woman who works together to build a happy home. After welcoming the bride into the door, the bride and groom enter the living room and hold a meeting ceremony. According to the custom, first worship the ancestors of heaven and earth, then worship the high hall and never forget to raise their children. Secondly, the husband and wife worship each other and give them away to the bridal chamber. It is necessary to cross the red-hot charcoal brazier sprinkled with chili pepper noodles. Crossing the charcoal brazier is intended to drive away evil and usher in a red wedding day and all the best. After entering the bridal chamber, the bride sat beside the bed, quietly waiting for the hijab to be uncovered and handed in a cup ceremony. When the grandmothers come in, the bride’s hijab can be uncovered, revealing her true colors. Both husband and wife sit on the bench together, the groom’s right foot presses on the bride’s left foot, the bride’s left hand rests on the groom’s right shoulder, and the left and right hands cross each other to drink a toast. This is also called acacia wine, which is also called “sharing a room”. “Sharing a room and having a good time” is the most socially significant link in a wedding. It is an essential ceremony for every newlywed to get married. The wedding ceremony spread to later generations and developed into a wine feast. “Eating a wedding banquet” has become the abbreviation of folk wedding.

### 3.8 Banquet Ceremony

This banquet is held in the afternoon of the official banquet day, and it is a banquet for the bride and groom in accordance with the traditional etiquette and customs. Except for the groom, they are all old women, such as grandma, mother, aunt, aunt, etc. The dishes on the table are the same as those on the big wedding table. This banquet is specially arranged by the elders to hope that the newlyweds will have a happy husband and wife, all the best, have an early baby, grow old together, and work together to build a better tomorrow. At the same time, let the newcomers know that all the people sitting at the table are honorable people, people who have come through a bumpy life, people who have witnessed the whole process of their growth in infancy, and people who have made painstaking efforts for their adults. At the same time, the bride and groom are warned that in the future, when they get along with their elders, they should know how to be kind, take filial piety as the first priority, take virtue as the soul, be diligent as the foundation,
be kind and tolerant, and never forget the past. What is precious to be a man is to drink water, think about the source, set up the foundation, and be kind.

3.9 Active Bridal Chamber

It is an indispensable link in the traditional wedding etiquette to spend the night in the bridal chamber. Its common name is “Active Bride” or “Playful Woman”. This custom has some moral besides amusing. In the old legend, in the bridal chamber, foxes often do mischief, and a disturbance can drive out evil spirits and strengthen people’s yang. As the saying goes, “People are not haunted, but ghosts make trouble.” From the positive point of view, in the old customs, both men and women were bound by giving or receiving relatives, and only by the orders of their parents and the words of matchmakers set a lifelong event. On the wedding day, they entered the bridal chamber and uncovered the veil, only then could they see their true faces. For a moment, they felt strange, embarrassed and had nothing to say, and the bridal chamber looked deserted. A noisy bridal chamber can warm up a deserted bridal chamber, build a bridge for the bride and groom to communicate with each other, and promote the adjustment of newly married life. It is a matter of course to wish a lover well, and it is necessary to enhance his emotion. But it must be built on civilized etiquette, and only by activating the bridal chamber can it have fun and get good results.

4 Customs After the Wedding

4.1 Travel

On the first day after the wedding, traveling is another procedure of traditional etiquette. This day is the fish meal day again. In the morning, the new wife finished dressing up, put on the new wife’s clothes, opened the fragrant cupboard door for the first time, and took out the Chinese food from the fish meal day to buy fish money and presented it to her mother-in-law. “Yu” and “Yu” are homonyms, which means “Yu” is auspicious. After that, the older generation of old women accompanied them on a trip and sent XiShen away according to the established direction of the marriage ceremony book. Go to the temple to burn incense and worship Buddha, pray to the gods devoutly, bless and protect peace, and pray for the descendants and empress to give your son incense for generations, and go home to distribute candy fruits. According to legend, when a new wife sends out many sweets and fruits, her children and grandchildren will prosper and her family will prosper in the end.

In the morning, the bride’s family will send someone to see her daughter, bring a pot of cooked glutinous rice and a basket of cooked eggs to everyone, and each person will have a cup of sweetened glutinous rice and an egg. In fact, It is to wish the daughter to honor her elders in her husband’s family, live in harmony with her sisters-in-law, be United, happy, sweet and happy, and live a happy life. I also hope my daughter will take root in her husband’s family and settle down.
4.2 Reunion Dinner

On the afternoon of fish meal day, the man invites her parents, brothers and sisters, uncles and aunts to recognize relatives, and everyone gets together for a reunion dinner. According to the traditional etiquette and customs in ancient times, the new wife should cook for the reunion dinner, which is also called the kitchen trial, with her mother-in-law guiding her. As the saying goes, when a newcomer arrives, he can’t touch the cooker, and he doesn’t know where to place the tea with oil, salt, rice, sauce and vinegar. One side of the soil raises one side of the people, with different tastes, different lifestyles, and whose family to eat. It is necessary to teach from the beginning, which is the principle that “a mother teaches a daughter, but a mother teaches a daughter-in-law”.

4.3 Return to His Place of Origin

Commonly known as “going home” and “going back to the door”, the time is the day after the big day. Etiquette has been passed down from generation to generation, from beginning to end, without interruption. It is the traditional virtue of inheriting and carrying forward the source of drinking water. According to the custom, returning to the media must go early and return early. In the morning, the newlyweds prepared candy fruits, bait pieces of bread and other things, took a pair of children and both went back to the bride’s house. This is the first time that both of them have returned to the bride’s house. For the first time, they come to the door to perform half-etiquette and honor their parents-in-law. At the same time, they should give red envelopes to their nieces and nephews. How many times the gifts are given, half-etiquette is a natural etiquette. It’s also the first time that the bride's family welcomes her new son-in-law. She is not taken for granted. She gathers her elder brothers and sisters, and even her married daughter will go home to get together, making a big scene to welcome the newlyweds back and prepare a sumptuous feast. During the banquet, the new son-in-law gave a half-son ceremony, and raised his glass to bless the elders present here, such as the East China Sea and the South Mountain. I wish all my loved ones here a healthy family and all the best. I wish the next generation a healthy growth and a prosperous career in the future, which will add luster to the ancestors. Chinese elders raise their glasses to wish the newlyweds a long and happy life together.

5 Summary

Compared with the wedding ceremony of Han nationality, the wedding custom of Bai nationality has many characteristics, including a greater sense of ceremony, more tradition, more mystery and persistence. These traits not only represent the customs and culture of Bai People, but they also enhance the devotion of both parties in the wedding ceremony, thus making them feel a stronger sense of ceremony, family and belonging. These emotions consolidate both parties’ emotional foundation to some extent, and make them more accountable for this marriage. With the dawn of a new era, some bad habits from Bai’s wedding tradition, like uncivilized marriage and demanding bride price, have been gradually eradicated. However, as a wedding custom lasting 5,000 years, it still flows in the blood of generations of Bai People.
We firmly believe that even after a long history, the traditional Bai wedding still oozes wisdom, and has a lot of to teach modern marriage: as long as the husband and wife respect and love each other, understand and tolerate each other, and learn to respect and restrain each other, the husband and wife will be better able to solve problems and difficulties together, when they encounter them, rather than escape through divorce.

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