



According to legend the Dragon had nine sons, and each had a strong personality. There is no general agreement as to what the Dragon's sons are called. However, to most people, they are:

Haoxian

A reckless and adventurous dragon whose image can be found decorating the eaves of palaces.

Yazi

Valiant and bellicose; his image is seen on sword-hilts and knife hilts.

Chiwen

Chiwen likes to gaze into the distance and his appearance is often carved on pinnacles.

Baxia

Baxia is a good swimmer and his image decorates many bridge piers and archways.

Pulao

Pulao is fond of roaring and his figure is carved on bells.

Bixi

Bixi is an excellent pack-animal whose image appears on panniers.

Qiuniu

Qiuniu loves music and his figure is a common decoration on the bridge of stringed musical instruments.

Suanmi

Suanmi is fond of smoke and fire; his likeness can be seen on the legs of incense-burners.

Jiaotu

Jiaotu is as tight-lipped as a mussel or a snail. His image is carved on doors.





























