Cult of Kuan-yin (观音信仰) has been very popular in China. Many studies on the various aspects of the cult of Kuan-yin have emerged over the decades. However, not many studies are done on the pilgrimage to the Mount Putuo, pilgrimage center of Kuan-yin. Records have shown that from the Sung dynasty, pilgrims started to head for Mount Putuo for their religious practice. However, the processes of these events are rarely recorded. This is likewise for the later dynasties.

Besides offering an overview of the Cult of Kuan-yin in China, this paper aims to provide an insight to what happens when pilgrims make their way to Mount Putuo.