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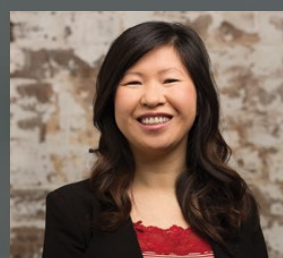
WELCOME TO CHINA

It's a pleasure to introduce you to this special anniversary edition of our China brochure. 2019 marks Wendy Wu Tours' 25th anniversary of providing extraordinary tour experiences to holiday-makers all over the globe. Since 1994, we have been pioneering travel to new destinations all over Asia and are now recognised as the leading touring specialist in the region.

Our extensive range of China tours will show you the very best this remarkable country has to offer. After years of perfecting the art of touring around China, we understand the best ways to see the iconic sights and experience the local culture. Our award-winning guides can't wait to showcase their homeland to you.

This year we've introduced two new tours dedicated to solo travellers, packed full of shared experiences and moments to treasure.

Let Wendy Wu Tours show you the real China. We look forward to welcoming you on tour very soon!



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Wendy Wu – Founder Wendy Wu Tours

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DISCOVER CHINA & BEYOND WITH WENDY WU TOURS

From the historic capital of Beijing, to the otherworldly landscapes of Zhangjiajie, and one of the greatest wonders of the world, the Great Wall, China is as diverse as it is unique, boasting over 50 unique cultures, across 23 provinces. Unmatched, and truly unforgettable.

WENDY'S TOP 8 CHINA & BEYOND SIGHTS

1 BEIJING

Capital city, imperial treasure trove and home to the Forbidden City, the Temple of Heaven and the Great Wall of China, Beijing is featured on the majority of our itineraries.



2 XIAN

Xian is best known for those enigmatic Terracotta Warriors and its UNESCO-listed ancient city wall. With an illustrious past, it is included on most itineraries.



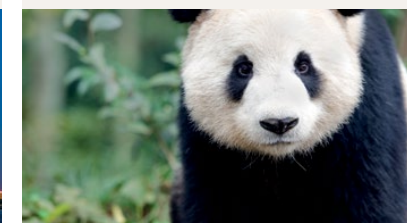
3 SHANGHAI

Once known as 'Paris of the East', Shanghai is China's great metropolis where east and west collide on streets lined with futuristic skyscrapers and 10th Century temples. Shanghai is included on most itineraries.



4 CHENGDU

The gateway to Sichuan province and home to the famous chilli-pepper, Chengdu is also home to the cuddly Giant Pandas. Chengdu appears on a number of tours.



5 YANGTZE RIVER

China's vital waterway brings together a plethora of unmissable sights including the Three Gorges Dam. A Yangtze River Cruise is included on a number of our tours.



6 GUILIN

Cruise through the breathtaking landscapes of the Li River from Guilin to vibrant Yangshuo. Both Guilin and Yangshuo are featured on a number of tours.



7 LIJIANG

Located amongst Yunnan's most dramatic landscapes, you can explore Lijiang on our *Yunnan & Sichuan* (page 34), *Classic China* (page 40), and *China Encounters* (page 44).



8 LHASA

Tibet's magical capital, a city on the roof of the world, spiritual Lhasa features on *China & Tibet Discovery* (page 28), *Himalayan Adventure* (page 68) and *Tibetan Wonders* tours (page 76).



THE WENDY WU TOURS DIFFERENCE



RENOWNED EXPERTISE

We are proud to be recognised as Australia's leading specialist tour operator to Asia, a reputation we've been building since 1994. All of our team have travelled extensively throughout the region and are fonts of knowledge on all things Asia.



SO MANY INCLUSIONS, EXCEPTIONAL VALUE

We aim to include as much as possible so you can relax. Your accommodation, touring, transport, all or most meals, expert guides and visa service when required for Australian passport holders – we include it all.



COMPREHENSIVE RANGE OF TOURS

Whether you're looking for a Classic escorted tour experience, a Deluxe journey, a Private tour or something more off the beaten track, we've got a group tour or Tailor-Made Holiday for you – as inclusive or bespoke as you like.



EXTRAORDINARY EXPERIENCES

From the ultimate bucket-list sights to rarely visited places and authentic cultural experiences, we'll help you make memories you'll treasure forever.



LOCAL FLAVOURS

Our tours will give you a genuine taste of the regions you'll visit by introducing you to local specialties and delicacies at meal time.



HIGHLY EXPERIENCED GUIDES

Through their local expertise, dedication and passion, our guides will make sure you don't miss a thing – and have lots of fun doing it.



SAFE AND RELIABLE

We are ATAS-accredited members of the Australian Federation of Travel Agents and have a wide network of local agents working for us nationally, so you benefit from local knowledge combined with Australian understanding and support.



TIPPING MADE EASY

Local tipping is customary in Asia. We can handle the tipping so you don't have to. We have a simple tipping system on our group tours where guests contribute to a kitty, paid to the National Escort who then distributes it. This avoids the need for you to consider individual tipping situations daily throughout your trip. We can suggest appropriate amounts for Private Tours and Tailor-Made Holidays.

25 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE

In 1994, a passionate travel agent named Wendy designed and led her very first tour to China. Since then, Wendy Wu Tours has gone from strength to strength, opening offices not only in Sydney but also in London, Auckland, Shanghai and Xian, expanding Wendy's range of tours into Southeast Asia, Japan, India and surrounding lands, and now into Central and South America.

In 2019, we celebrate 25 years of exciting holidays and countless memories made.



FROM A SINGLE TOUR TO SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

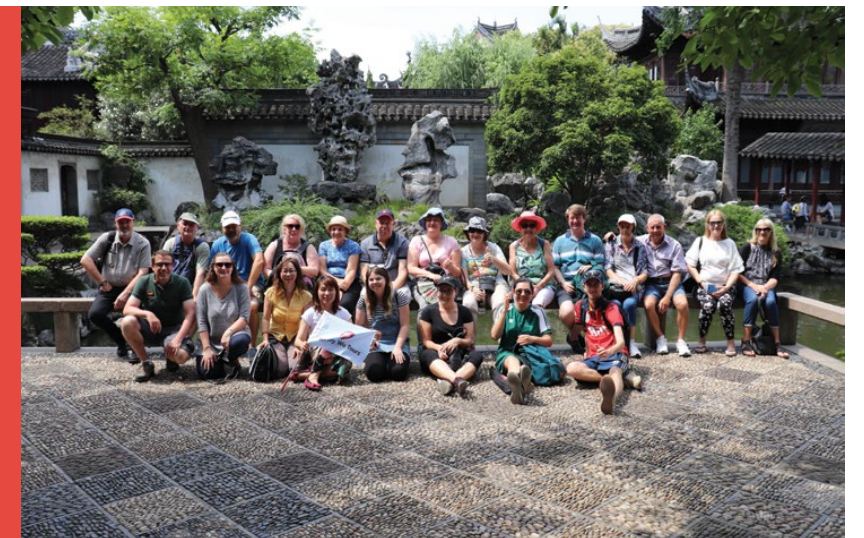
Wendy's very first tour, taking in the essential sights and experiences of China, formed the backbone for today's popular, fully inclusive Classic Tours. Yet as Wendy Wu Tours has evolved, now welcoming more than 10,000 Australians to Asia and beyond every year, so has our range of tour styles.

From the more active, experiential Immerse Yourself tours to the decadent Deluxe Collection, we can now fulfil all kinds of holiday dreams. Add to that our Tailor-Made Holidays – bespoke itineraries, Private Tours, short add-on stays and stopovers – and the possibilities are endless. In 2019, we are proud to add our Solo Tours, for guests looking for the comfort of group touring yet their own space in a private room, and with no single supplement to pay. No wonder so many of our loyal guests return again and again.

TRAILBLAZING TOURING

PUSHING THE BOUNDARIES

Not only do we take our travellers to each destination's must-see sights, but our team work tirelessly to develop innovative programs to take you to new, amazing and even previously unreachable places to push the boundaries of touring even further. Simply put, we do the hard work so you don't have to.



OFF THE BEATEN TRACK

Wendy Wu Tours took the first group from the Western world to Lhasa in Tibet, via the most scenic overland route through China. We were the first to take our travellers along the original Silk Road route, and now make in-roads into touring Borneo and Central Asia. Many of our itineraries include 'insider' destinations, too, so even tried-and-true travel spots can feel new.



IN GOOD HANDS

Each of our group tours is led by a dedicated guide, known as your National Escort, chosen for their knowledge, personality and a sense of fun that will immediately make you feel at ease. Relax and enjoy your holiday – your guide is all set to navigate you through the wonders and eccentricities of the local way of life.

ALL OF OUR NATIONAL ESCORTS:

- ✓ Have at least five years guiding experience
- ✓ Are fluent in English
- ✓ Are born and raised locally
- ✓ Go through rigorous and ongoing training programmes
- ✓ Are at your service 24 hours a day

CHOOSE A TOUR THAT'S RIGHT FOR YOU



PHYSICAL RATING

Each of our tours features a physical rating to help you select the right holiday for you. All tours require the ability to walk around sights unaided, while more active tours may involve longer walks, cycling and other physical activities. Tours at altitude will have a higher physical rating.



LEVEL 1

A reasonable level of fitness is required but it's more about spending time on your feet than covering large distances. You'll be getting on and off coaches and cruises, walking around the sights and climbing some steps.



LEVEL 3

You need to be comfortable walking for 2-3 hours and covering longer distances. Other activities such as cycling will be at a gentle pace and will involve straightforward terrain.



LEVEL 5

You'll need to be fit and adventurous to participate in these tours; on some days you will be active for most of the day. The terrain may be more challenging and the activities more physically demanding.

TOUR PACE

On many of our tours you're going to be busy! We want to ensure you don't miss a single thing. Packing your overseas adventure full of extraordinary experiences can mean some early starts and late finishes; however our Tailor-Made Holidays service offers endless possibilities for those who'd like a slower pace.

CHINA & BEYOND YOUR WAY

CLASSIC

On our Classic tours we take care of everything, leaving you to sit back and enjoy the experience to the full. The tours are fully inclusive with all meals and a comprehensive touring programme.

- ✓ For this year's fabulous range of Classic group tours taking in the best of China's sights, head to page 14.

SOLO

Designed exclusively for guests travelling solo, these tours provide a ready-made group of like-minded travellers to enjoy your holiday with. Our expert guide will look after you all the way, so you're fully involved discovering the sights and experiencing cultural activities. A room of your own is guaranteed with no single supplement to pay.

- ✓ Find out about our brand new *Charming China* and *Captivating China* Solo tours from page 48.

IMMERSE YOURSELF

Our suite of Immerse Yourself tours are designed to give you the best of both worlds: the comfort that comes from our expertise and support, with accommodation, tickets, transport and your National Escort all included, yet a little flexibility to seek out your own adventures too.

Our **Go Beyond** Immerse Yourself tours venture off the beaten track to explore fascinating destinations away from the tourist trail. You're able to discover the local culture in depth and see sights rarely witnessed by other travellers. These tours take you away from the comforts of home but will reward you with the experiences of a lifetime.

Our **Flexible** Immerse Yourself tours are just how it sounds: offering extra space in the itinerary to do your own thing, right alongside the convenience and

security that come from touring the main sights as a group.

Our **Active** Immerse Yourself tours are perfect for travellers who can't wait to jump on a bike, pull on the hiking boots and tour on a slightly more physical level – with all equipment organised for you, of course.

- ✓ If you're looking to Immerse Yourself, see our extensive range of itineraries, from page 54.

DELUXE COLLECTION

In this land of sumptuous palaces and decadent heritage hotels, China is an ideal destination for our Deluxe Collection of tours, where we pull out all the stops to bring you a whole new level of comfort and service.

- ✓ For a Deluxe Collection trip of a lifetime, find our *Exquisite China* and *Legends of China* tours, from page 90.

TAILOR-MADE HOLIDAYS

For the ultimate in bespoke touring, one of our expert consultants will design a tour to meet your exact requirements. Select your choice of destinations, accommodation, touring and experiences to create the perfect holiday for you.

• PRIVATE TOURS

Why not use our Tailor-Made Holidays service to make one of our itineraries uniquely yours? A Private Tour follows a pre-defined itinerary but with the benefit of your own personal guide. Most of our group tours can operate on a private basis; call our travel consultants to get started.

• SHORT STAYS & STOPOVERS

Make the most of our expertise by extending your trip, from the mystical mountains of Tibet to the bright lights and action of Hong Kong, either stopping over on the way to your holiday, or as you're heading home.

ACCOMMODATION STYLES

Travelling with us, you can be safe in the knowledge that your accommodation has been hand picked to best suit your tour and the locations you'll visit. Our Classic and Solo group tours feature comfortable, locally rated 3-star to 4-star properties, ranging from smart business hotels to family-run guesthouses. On Immerse Yourself tours, you may find yourself in more characterful or rustic accommodation, fitting perfectly with these tours' adventurous spirit. Our Deluxe Collection tours enjoy high-quality accommodation while, on a Tailor-Made Holiday, any style of accommodation is available; simply choose your perfect stay.

CULTURAL ENCOUNTERS, EVERY STEP OF THE WAY

To make sure you truly immerse yourself in your chosen destination we pack every single one of our tours with authentic cultural experiences. Here are just a few examples of what you can look forward to while travelling through China.

TAI CHI

Many locals begin their days with an invigorating session of Tai Chi, and you can join them or learn some basic steps from a Tai Chi master. Experience this on *Classic China* (page 40) and *A China Adventure* (page 62)



HUTONGS TOUR

Explore Beijing's atmospheric hutongs by rickshaw, venturing down the old alleyways to reach one of the traditional houses, where you will be welcomed by a family into their home. Get a glimpse of life in the Hutongs on *Wonders of China* (page 30) and *Enchanting China* (page 66)



HIKE ON THE GREAT WALL

Explore a quieter section of this iconic edifice with a hike along the spectacular Jinshanling section, acquainting yourself with its fascinating history as you follow its snaking path across the hills. Wander here on *China Explorer* (page 58) and *China Trailblazer* (page 70).



ERA SHOW

The ERA show tells the story of China from humble beginnings to world power, with breathtaking special effects and incredible martial arts in one acrobatic extravaganza! Be amazed on *Grand Tour of China* (page 46).



WEIBAOSHAN MEDITATION

Find inner peace on the mystical slopes of sacred Weibaoshan where, at Qinxia Temple, a Taoist priest will introduce you to traditional meditative practices. Relax on *Yunnan Adventure* (page 64).



CALLIGRAPHY CLASS

A long practiced art, calligraphy is an essential part of China's heritage and, with a lesson in the basic techniques of this stylised writing, is the perfect way to connect with the local culture. Try it yourself on *Exquisite China* (page 94).



MATCHMAKER'S CORNER

Found in People's Parks across the country, Matchmaker's Corner is the place where parents search for love for their children – it's fascinatingly unique! See love bloom on *In Pursuit of Pandas* (page 18) and *Sichuan Explorer* (page 60).





FULLY INCLUSIVE CLASSIC TOURS

Featuring iconic sights and quintessential cultural encounters, each of our all-inclusive Classic Tours is designed to give you a true taste of this fascinating country, so prepare for a once-in-a-lifetime holiday!

WHY CHOOSE A CLASSIC TOUR?

If you're looking forward to a holiday where you can truly relax, let us take care of every little detail for you. Our Classic itineraries ensure you see the best of everything, in comfort and style.

ALL OUR CLASSIC TOURS INCLUDE

- International flights & taxes
- Comprehensive touring
- Expert National Escorts & Local Guides
- All accommodation
- All meals
- All transportation
- Specialist advice from our travel consultants
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



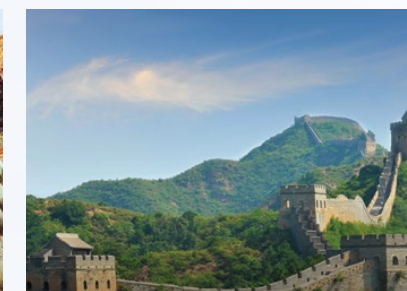
EVERYTHING IS INCLUDED

From meals to transport, cultural experiences to entrance fees, your holiday is seamless.



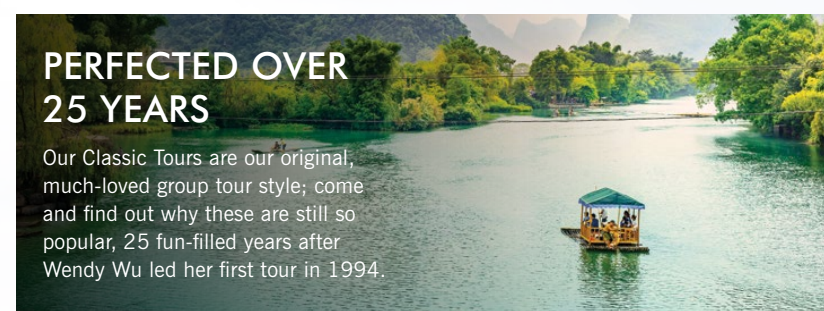
SEAMLESS TOURING

Full transfer arrangements between hotels, sights and transportation make these our easiest, most carefree tours.



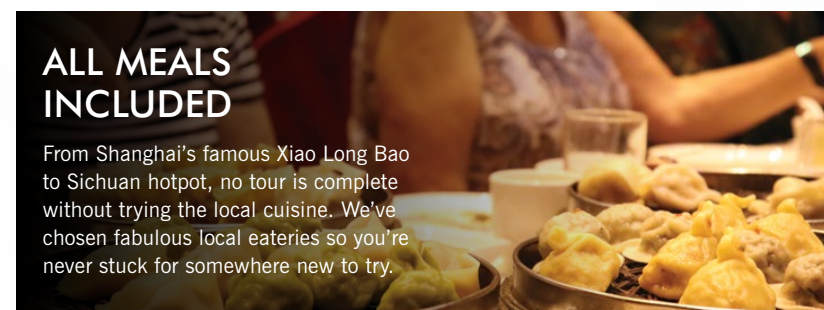
SEE THE HIGHLIGHTS

We take you straight to the top sights in every destination, so you won't miss a thing. Bring your camera!



PERFECTED OVER 25 YEARS

Our Classic Tours are our original, much-loved group tour style; come and find out why these are still so popular, 25 fun-filled years after Wendy Wu led her first tour in 1994.



ALL MEALS INCLUDED

From Shanghai's famous Xiao Long Bao to Sichuan hotpot, no tour is complete without trying the local cuisine. We've chosen fabulous local eateries so you're never stuck for somewhere new to try.



EXPERTLY GUIDED

Our team of helpful, efficient National Escorts and knowledgeable Local Guides can't wait to show you the country they love.

CLASSIC TOURS	DAYS	PAGE	GREAT WALL	WARRIORS	PANDAS	YANGTZE	SHANGHAI	GUILIN	YUNNAN
In Pursuit of Pandas	9 days	18	•	•	•				
A China Experience	10 days	20	•	•			•		
Glories of China	14 days	22	•	•			•	•	
Majestic Yangtze	14 days	24	•	•	•	•	•		
China Splendour	14 days	26	•	•	•		•		
China & Tibet Discovery	16 days	28	•	•	•	•	•		
Wonders of China	16 days	30	•	•	•	•	•	•	
Cities of the Orient	16 days	32	•	•	•	•	•		
Yunnan & Sichuan	17 days	34			•				•
Ancient China	18 days	36	•	•			•		
China Delights	18 days	38	•	•	•		•	•	
Classic China	21 days	40	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Magnificent China	22 days	42	•	•	•	•	•	•	
China Encounters	23 days	44	•	•	•	•			•
Grand Tour of China	26 days	46	•	•	•	•	•	•	•

IN PURSUIT OF PANDAS

- 9 DAYS FROM
- PER PERSON \$3,280
- FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH
- ALL MEALS
- PHYSICAL RATING 2

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Feast on Peking duck
- ✓ Explore the Summer Palace
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Travel on the bullet train
- ✓ Watch Giant Pandas play

PRICE INCLUDES

- 7 breakfasts, 6 lunches & 7 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in quality hotels
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders

PRICE GUIDE

- 9 days fully inclusive twin share from \$3,280 per person departing Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- For departures from other cities, please contact reservations for pricing and details
- Single Supplement from \$445 ask about our "Willing to Share" option
- Land only (Beijing to Chengdu): 8 days from \$1,830 per person twin share
- Available for travellers 8 years and older

EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



HONG KONG DISNEYLAND 4 DAYS FROM \$790pp

Enter a magical kingdom and explore seven lands – Adventureland, Grizzly Gulch, Mystic Point, Toy Story Land, Fantasyland, Tomorrowland and Main Street, USA – filled with excitement and Disney characters.

See page 118.
Price based on twin share.
Additional flight costs apply.



See the Giant Pandas in Dujiangyan

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO BEIJING

Fly to Beijing, China's historical capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: IMPERIAL BEIJING

Begin in Beijing's symbolic heart with a stroll across Tiananmen Square, flanked by imposing government buildings and the mausoleum of Chairman Mao. At the head of the square the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City is a monument to dynasties past. Entering through the Gate of Supreme Harmony, you will find a complex of a thousand rooms and many imperial treasures. Later, soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape, where you can watch, or participate in a dance class and mingle with the locals. This evening, sit down to a traditional dinner of Peking duck.

DAY 3: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Stretching thousands of miles from the Yellow Sea to the Gobi Desert, over all sorts of dramatic landscapes, it is one of the world's most impressive feats of engineering. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the wall itself and the magnificent scenery that it crosses. Drive back to Beijing and enjoy a relaxed afternoon in the idyllic gardens of the Summer Palace as you wander through traditional landscapes and admire exquisite architecture. A Chinese acrobatic show rounds off the day.

DAY 4: XIAN CITY WALLS

Fly to Xian. An illustrious and age-old city, Xian is one of the four great ancient capitals of China. It is also the capital of Shaanxi province and the starting point of the fabled Silk Road with a history spanning 3,100 years. Take a leisurely stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th Century city walls that enclose Xian's old town. Tonight, enjoy a delicious feast of traditional Shui Jiao dumplings and a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

DAY 5: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery by local farmers in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first Emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-like warriors and horses who stand in their original formations at the exact location they were excavated. Visit the workshop of the craftsmen who recreate Terracotta Warriors in the style of their ancient counterparts. Watch the skilled production process and buy a souvenir warrior (or two!) to take home. Later, take a bullet train to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan Province.

DAY 6: DUJIANGYAN PANDA BASE

This morning visit one of the world's finest panda conservation centres where you will gain a real insight into the hard work that goes into caring for and boosting the population of this endangered species. Later, enjoy the atmosphere of Jinli Street – a lively street lined with antique shops and restaurants before sampling a delicious Sichuanese meal.



Stroll Xian's UNESCO listed city wall



Admire the Temple of Heaven in Beijing

DAY 7: GIANT PANDAS

A visit to Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre allows you to see and learn about China's celebrated bears. See them up close in surroundings that mirror their natural habitat as they chomp through piles of bamboo. A look around the informative museum gives an overview of the Reserve's breeding programme. Visit The People's Park and enjoy a hot beverage in a traditional teahouse before visiting Matchmaker's Corner where parents search for worthy suitors for their children.

DAYS 8-9: FLY CHENGDU TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.



Enter the Forbidden City in Beijing

IN PURSUIT OF PANDAS

CLASSIC

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

It gives you a chance to discover the imperial treasures of historical Beijing, then journey through atmospheric Xian with its Terracotta Warriors to reach the charming city of Chengdu, where you will see the captivating Giant Pandas.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES

04 Mar - 12 Mar	\$3,280	12 Aug - 20 Aug	\$3,380
18 Mar - 26 Mar	\$3,980	02 Sep - 10 Sep	\$3,680
08 Apr - 16 Apr	\$3,980	09 Sep - 17 Sep	\$3,680
22 Apr - 30 Apr	\$3,980	23 Sep - 01 Oct #	\$4,180
06 May - 14 May	\$3,980	07 Oct - 15 Oct #	\$4,180
13 May - 21 May	\$3,980	21 Oct - 29 Oct	\$3,980
20 May - 28 May	\$3,980	18 Nov - 26 Nov	\$3,280
03 Jun - 11 Jun	\$3,980	24 Dec - 03 Jan ^	\$4,480
15 Jul - 23 Jul	\$3,980		

2020 DATES

03 Feb - 11 Feb	\$3,480	13 Jul - 21 Jul	\$4,180
02 Mar - 10 Mar	\$3,480	10 Aug - 18 Aug	\$3,580
16 Mar - 24 Mar	\$4,180	31 Aug - 08 Sep	\$3,880
06 Apr - 14 Apr	\$4,180	07 Sep - 15 Sep	\$3,880
20 Apr - 28 Apr	\$4,180	21 Sep - 29 Sep	\$4,380
04 May - 12 May	\$4,180	05 Oct - 13 Oct #	\$4,380
11 May - 19 May	\$4,180	19 Oct - 27 Oct	\$4,180
18 May - 26 May	\$4,180	16 Nov - 24 Nov	\$3,480
01 Jun - 09 Jun	\$4,180	24 Dec - 03 Jan ^	\$4,680

Important note

Above prices include airline fuel surcharges and taxes. Correct as at 12-Sep-18 and subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart/and or arrive on Day 2 or require extra nights pre or post tour accommodation or stopovers at additional cost. # Departure coincides with Golden Week celebrations and sightseeing may be affected. ^ Christmas Departure.

Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB 320 (AU\$65) is paid locally in China.



Gaze at the Terracotta Warriors near Xian

A CHINA EXPERIENCE

- 10 DAYS FROM
- PER PERSON \$3,380
- FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH
- ALL MEALS
- PHYSICAL RATING

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Admire Shanghai's bright lights
- ✓ Find the past in Zhujiajiao
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Rickshaw ride in the Hutongs
- ✓ Explore the Summer Palace

PRICE INCLUDES

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- Single Supplement from \$480 ask about our "Willing to Share" option
- Land only (Shanghai to Beijing): 9 days from \$2,130 per person twin share

+ EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



PURE YANGTZE 5 DAYS FROM \$690pp

Relax over four nights cruising on the Yangtze. Explore the Three Gorges – Qutang, Wu and Xiling. Visit the colossal dam and enjoy daily shore excursions.

See page 106.
Price based on twin share.
Additional flight costs apply.



Explore the sleepy water town of Zhujiajiao

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO SHANGHAI

Fly to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Shanghai is China's great metropolis, where east and west collide on streets lined with futuristic skyscrapers and 10th Century temples. Today's explorations include the traditional Yu Garden, the Silk Factory and a stop in the old town. Also admire the magnificent colonial architecture with a stroll along the Bund. This evening view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise. Tonight, enjoy traditional Shanghainese cuisine.

DAY 3: ZHUJIAJIAO WATER TOWN

Visit Zhujiajiao, one of Shanghai's sleepy water towns, built on an old canal system once used to transport goods all over imperial China. The town's narrow alleyways exude old-world charm, whilst the waterways are lined with ancient buildings and crossed by stone bridges. Return to Shanghai to enjoy the fine arts and antiquities of the Shanghai Museum. Also, explore People's Square.

DAY 4: LITTLE WILD GOOSE PAGODA

Fly to Xian, the ancient former capital. This afternoon take a visit to the fascinating Little Wild Goose Pagoda and spend time walking through the atmospheric alleys of the Muslim Quarter, which are lined with Islamic food stalls. Here you will gain an insight into the city's fascinating culture and significance as the start of the Silk Road.

DAY 5: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first Emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors and horses who stand in their original formations at the exact location they were excavated. Also visit the workshop of the craftsmen who recreate Terracotta Warriors in the style of their ancient counterparts. Later, stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th Century ancient city walls that enclose Xian's old town. Tonight, feast on traditional Shui Jiao dumplings before a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

DAY 6: FLY TO BEIJING

Fly to Beijing, China's historical capital city. Enjoy a rickshaw ride through the traditional Hutongs. The narrow alleys offer an authentic glimpse of old Beijing before the emergence of high-rise building and modern commerce. Meet a local family and learn first-hand about living in the Hutongs.

DAY 7: IMPERIAL BEIJING

Head to Beijing's symbolic heart and stroll across Tiananmen Square into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. Entering through the Gate of Supreme Harmony you will find a complex full of imperial riches. Later, soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape. Here, mingle with the locals and watch or participate as they spend their afternoon practising Tai Chi, dancing and playing cards. See a Chinese acrobatic show this evening.



Visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda



Explore People's Square in Beijing

DAY 8: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the sheer magnificence of the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that it crosses. You will have an opportunity to visit the Jade Factory, where you will be able to buy a small handcrafted piece. Jade is revered throughout China, it is said to bring fortune and prosperity to those who wear it.



Walk on the Great Wall near Beijing

Spend the afternoon strolling through the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace as you see the traditional Chinese gardens and exquisite architecture. Today's sightseeing is the perfect way to build up your appetite for Beijing's most recognised delicacy – Peking duck.

DAYS 9-10: FLY BEIJING TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to the Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

A CHINA EXPERIENCE

CLASSIC

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

It offers a glimpse of China's glorious past, fascinating present and bright future. Visit the contrasting cities of Xian, Beijing and Shanghai. The pace is full on, but well worth it.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES

03 Mar - 12 Mar	\$3,380	14 Jul - 23 Jul	\$4,080
17 Mar - 26 Mar	\$3,880	28 Jul - 06 Aug	\$4,080
24 Mar - 02 Apr	\$3,880	11 Aug - 20 Aug	\$4,080
31 Mar - 09 Apr	\$3,880	25 Aug - 03 Sep	\$3,880
07 Apr - 16 Apr	\$4,280	01 Sep - 10 Sep	\$3,880
14 Apr - 23 Apr	\$4,280	08 Sep - 17 Sep	\$3,880
28 Apr - 07 May #	\$4,280	15 Sep - 24 Sep	\$4,080
05 May - 14 May	\$4,280	22 Sep - 01 Oct #	\$4,080
12 May - 21 May	\$4,280	06 Oct - 15 Oct #	\$4,080
19 May - 28 May	\$4,280	13 Oct - 22 Oct	\$4,080
26 May - 04 Jun	\$4,280	20 Oct - 29 Oct	\$3,880
02 Jun - 11 Jun	\$4,080	17 Nov - 26 Nov	\$3,880
23 Jun - 02 Jul	\$4,080	24 Nov - 03 Dec	\$3,380

2020 DATES

02 Feb - 11 Feb	\$3,580	12 Jul - 21 Jul	\$4,280
01 Mar - 10 Mar	\$3,580	26 Jul - 04 Aug	\$4,280
15 Mar - 24 Mar	\$4,080	09 Aug - 18 Aug	\$4,280
22 Mar - 31 Mar	\$4,080	23 Aug - 01 Sep	\$4,080
29 Mar - 07 Apr	\$4,080	30 Aug - 08 Sep	\$4,080
05 Apr - 14 Apr	\$4,480	06 Sep - 15 Sep	\$4,080
12 Apr - 21 Apr	\$4,480	13 Sep - 22 Sep	\$4,280
26 Apr - 05 May #	\$4,480	20 Sep - 29 Sep	\$4,280
03 May - 12 May #	\$4,480	04 Oct - 13 Oct #	\$4,280
10 May - 19 May	\$4,480	11 Oct - 20 Oct	\$4,280
17 May - 26 May	\$4,480	18 Oct - 27 Oct	\$4,080
24 May - 02 Jun	\$4,480	15 Nov - 24 Nov	\$4,080
31 May - 09 Jun	\$4,280	22 Nov - 01 Dec	\$3,580
21 Jun - 30 Jun	\$4,280		

Important note

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BESTSELLER

GLORIES OF CHINA

14 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$4,380

FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

ALL MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Feast on Peking duck
- ✓ Explore the Summer Palace
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Travel on the bullet train
- ✓ Cruise the Li River

PRICE INCLUDES

- 12 breakfasts, 11 lunches & 12 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in quality hotels
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders

PRICE GUIDE

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- Single Supplement from \$610 ask about our "Willing to Share" option
- Land only (Shanghai to Beijing): 13 days from \$3,080 per person twin share

EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



BEYOND THE GREAT WALL

2 DAYS FROM \$695pp

Explore one of the less-visited and untouched parts of the Great Wall as you hike along the Jinshanling section of the wall.

See page 108.

Price based on twin share. Additional flight costs apply.



See cormorant fishermen on the Li River

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO SHANGHAI

Fly to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: HUANGPU RIVER CRUISE

Shanghai is China's great metropolis, where east and west collide on streets lined with futuristic skyscrapers and 10th Century temples. Start with a visit to the peaceful Yu Garden, pass through the old town and visit the Silk Factory. View the city at night from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise. This evening, enjoy a meal of Shanghaiese cuisine.

DAY 3: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Travel to Zhujiajiao, one of Shanghai's sleepy water towns and explore this charming place. Return to Shanghai to see the antiquities of the Shanghai Museum before admiring magnificent architecture with a stroll along the Bund.

DAY 4: SEVEN STAR PARK

Fly to the scenic city of Guilin. Enjoy a stroll through the Seven Star Park and explore the spectacular formations of Seven Star Cave.

DAY 5: LI RIVER CRUISE

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to the charming town of Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view to take your breath away as jagged karst peaks loom over rural scenes of lush greenery, grazing buffalo and local fishermen.

DAY 6: YANGSHUO

Yangshuo sits in an exquisite rural location, surrounded by landscapes of emerald-green paddy fields and dramatic limestone karsts. Start the day with a relaxing and invigorating session of Tai Chi, taking a class with a master to learn this ancient martial art. Spend the rest of the morning exploring the countryside and enjoy the afternoon at leisure. There are many optional activities available including cycling, rafting and walking (at your own expense).

DAY 7: CORMORANT FISHERMEN

Return to Guilin. En route, stop on the banks of the Li River for a photo opportunity with a cormorant fisherman. Stroll around Ronghu Lake and admire the Sun and Moon pagodas – two towering examples of traditional Chinese Buddhist architecture. Visit the South China Pearl Factory which covers the fascinating 1,700 year old history of pearling and see the many displays and demonstrations on offer.

DAY 8: TANG DYNASTY DANCING

Fly to Xian and visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda before feasting on traditional Shui Jiao dumplings and watching a lively performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

DAY 9: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first Emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors, followed by a visit to the workshop of the craftsmen who recreate Terracotta Warriors. Later, stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th Century city walls that enclose Xian's old town.



See the Terracotta Warriors near Xian



Discover the Forbidden City in Beijing

DAY 10: BULLET TRAIN TO BEIJING

Board the bullet train to Beijing, the capital of China. Enjoy a fascinating rickshaw ride through the warren-like hutongs and visit a local family to gain a deeper insight into Chinese culture and local customs.

DAY 11: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate the sheer magnificence of the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that surrounds it. In the afternoon, enjoy the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace. End the day watching a Chinese acrobatic show.

DAY 12: FORBIDDEN CITY

Soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape, where you can watch, or participate in a dance class and mingle with the locals. Head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square, and stroll into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. Entering through the Gate of Supreme Harmony, you will find a complex full of imperial riches. This evening, savour Beijing's best-known delicacy – Peking duck.

DAYS 13-14: FLY BEIJING TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.



Walk on the Great Wall near Beijing

GLORIES OF CHINA

CLASSIC

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

On this journey you'll discover the extraordinary landscapes of the Li River and Guilin as well as enjoying the highlights of China, including the urban splendour of Shanghai, Beijing and Xian on this popular tour.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES

24 Feb - 09 Mar	\$4,380	01 Sep - 14 Sep	\$4,880
10 Mar - 23 Mar	\$4,380	06 Sep - 19 Sep	\$4,880
24 Mar - 06 Apr	\$4,880	08 Sep - 21 Sep	\$4,880
31 Mar - 13 Apr	\$4,880	13 Sep - 26 Sep	\$4,880
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11 Aug - 24 Aug	\$4,880	27 Oct - 09 Nov	\$4,380
25 Aug - 07 Sep	\$4,880	17 Nov - 30 Nov	\$4,380

2020 DATES

23 Feb - 07 Mar	\$4,680	30 Aug - 12 Sep	\$5,180
08 Mar - 21 Mar	\$4,680	04 Sep - 17 Sep	\$5,180
22 Mar - 04 Apr	\$5,180	06 Sep - 19 Sep	\$5,180
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BESTSELLER

MAJESTIC YANGTZE

14 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$4,580

FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

ALL MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Admire Shanghai's bright lights
- ✓ Four nights on the Yangtze
- ✓ Watch Giant Pandas play
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Discover ancient Ciqikou

PRICE INCLUDES

- 12 breakfasts, 11 lunches & 12 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in quality hotels
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders

PRICE GUIDE

- 14 days fully inclusive twin share from \$4,580 per person departing Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
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- Single Supplement from \$950 ask about our "Willing to Share" option
- Land only (Shanghai to Beijing): 13 days from \$3,370 per person twin share

EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



ZHANGJIAJIE SCENIC WONDER 5 DAYS FROM \$1,310pp

A stunning location that is famous worldwide for its unique natural scenery, sandstone pillars, and for being the inspiration for scenery in the movie Avatar.

See page 111.

Price based on twin share.
Additional flight costs apply.



Enjoy side trips on the Yangtze River

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO SHANGHAI

Fly to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Shanghai is China's great metropolis, where east and west collide on streets lined with futuristic skyscrapers and 10th Century temples. Today's explorations include the classical Yu Garden, a stop in the old town and learning about the age-old silk production process at the Silk Factory. Later admire the magnificent colonial architecture with a stroll along the Bund and view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise. The skyscrapers and glimmering lights are a sight to behold, Shanghai is unlike any other city in the world. Tonight, sample some traditional Shanghainese cuisine.

DAY 3: MODERN PUDONG

Take the morning to see the sights of the ultramodern Pudong area of the city with its sci-fi skyscrapers. Later, fly to Wuhan and continue by coach to Yichang where you will board the Yangtze River Cruise vessel.

DAYS 4-6: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

A man-made marvel, the Three Gorges Dam showcases a massive feat of engineering. But as you cruise upstream nature takes over, revealing some of the world's most dramatic scenery including the Three Gorges themselves. Over the next three days, take a side trip to the attractive Shennong or Goddess Steam and enjoy a shore excursion to Shibaozhai or Fengdu.

DAY 7: HISTORICAL CIQIKOU

Disembarking the cruise vessel in Chongqing, explore old Ciqikou, a district known for its porcelain production during the Ming and Qing dynasties. Ciqikou's narrow streets are perfect for a morning stroll to admire the historical, traditional architecture. Transfer to Chengdu and enjoy a delicious Sichuanese meal for dinner.

DAY 8: GIANT PANDAS

Begin this morning with a visit to Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre, which allows you to see and learn about China's celebrated bears up close in surroundings that mirror their natural habitat. A look around the informative museum gives an overview of the reserve's breeding programme. Later, take a bullet train to the former imperial capital of Xian. This evening a delicious feast of traditional Shui Jiao dumplings and a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing awaits.

DAY 9 TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first Emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors and horses. Also visit the workshop of the craftsmen who recreate Terracotta Warriors in the style of their ancient counterparts. Watch the skilled production process and buy a souvenir warrior to take home. Later, take a leisurely stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th Century city walls that enclose Xian's old town.



Shanghai at dusk



Walk on the Great Wall near Beijing

DAY 10: LITTLE WILD GOOSE PAGODA

Today, visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda and walk through the lively atmospheric alleys of the Muslim Quarter which are lined with Islamic food stalls. Later, fly to Beijing, China's capital city.

DAY 11: IMPERIAL BEIJING

Head to Tiananmen Square, Beijing's symbolic heart, and into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. Entering through the Gate of Supreme Harmony, you will find a complex full of imperial riches. Also soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven and end the day watching a Chinese acrobatic show.

DAY 12: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the sheer magnificence of the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that it crosses. In the afternoon, visit the Jade Factory then enjoy the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace as you wander through traditional Chinese gardens and view the exquisite architecture. This evening, savour Beijing's best-known delicacy – Peking duck.

DAYS 13-14: FLY BEIJING TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.



See the excavation site of the Terracotta Army in Xian

MAJESTIC YANGTZE

CLASSIC

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

This is one of our most popular tours covering China's enthralling cities of Shanghai, Xian, Beijing and the unforgettable Giant Pandas of Chengdu. But the highlight is relaxing 4 night cruise on the majestic Yangtze River.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
08 Mar - 21 Mar	\$4,880	20 Aug - 02 Sep	\$4,880
19 Mar - 01 Apr	\$4,880	27 Aug - 09 Sep	\$4,880
26 Mar - 08 Apr	\$4,880	29 Aug - 11 Sep	\$4,580
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17 Mar - 30 Mar	\$5,180	18 Aug - 31 Aug	\$5,180
24 Mar - 06 Apr	\$5,180	25 Aug - 07 Sep	\$5,180
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CHINA SPLENDOUR

14 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$4,480

FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

ALL MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING 4

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Explore Wulong National Park
- ✓ Watch Giant Pandas play
- ✓ Admire the Leshan Buddha
- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Discover modern Shanghai



See the Grand Buddha of Leshan

PRICE INCLUDES

- 12 breakfasts, 11 lunches & 12 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in quality hotels
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders

PRICE GUIDE

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- Single Supplement from \$870 ask about our "Willing to Share" option
- Land only (Shanghai to Chengdu): 13 days from \$3,280 per person twin share

EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



TIBETAN SHORT STAY 6 DAYS FROM \$2,270pp

The mysterious Buddhist kingdom of Tibet, locked away high in the Himalaya, offers magnificent monasteries and stunning views.

See page 112.
Price based on twin share.
Additional flight costs apply.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO SHANGHAI

Fly to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: DISCOVER SHANGHAI

Shanghai is China's great metropolis, where east and west collide on streets lined with futuristic skyscrapers and 10th Century temples. Visit the Yu Garden, stop in the old town and admire the magnificent colonial architecture with a stroll along the Bund. Later, learn about the age-old silk production process at the Silk Factory, from the cultivation of silkworms up to creating the final piece. This evening, view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise and enjoy a delicious meal of traditional Shanghaiese cuisine.

DAY 3: TEMPLE OF HEAVEN

Fly to Beijing, China's fascinating capital. Soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape. Here, mingle with the locals and watch or participate as they practise Tai Chi, dance or play cards. Later this evening, savour Beijing's best-known delicacy – Peking duck.

DAY 4: IMPERIAL BEIJING

This morning, head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square and into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City where you will find a complex full of imperial treasures. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure. An evening of Chinese acrobatics rounds off the day.

DAY 5: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. There is no better way to appreciate both the sheer magnificence of the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that surrounds it than by taking a fascinating walk along it. Also visit the Jade Factory, then relax in the idyllic gardens of the Summer Palace as you explore traditional Chinese landscapes and view exquisite architecture.

DAY 6: ANCIENT XIAN

Fly to Xian, the historic former capital and take a stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th Century city wall. Tonight, feast on traditional Shui Jiao dumplings before a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

DAY 7: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first Emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-like warriors and horses. Visit the workshop of the craftsmen who recreate them in the style of their ancient counterparts. Also visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda and soak up the atmosphere in the narrow alleyways of the Muslim Quarter.

DAY 8: WULONG

Fly to Chongqing and transfer to Wulong – an area of stunning natural scenery with towering limestone karsts, deep gorges, caves and natural bridges. Its remote location has ensured that the park is relatively un-spoilt. It comes as no surprise that Wulong is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.



See Giant Pandas play in Chengdu



Explore the streets of Chengdu

DAY 9: THREE BRIDGES NATIONAL PARK & LONGSHUIXIA

Today, visit Three Bridges National Park, a rare geological wonder consisting of three natural karst bridges: Tianlong Bridge, Qinglong Bridge and Heilong Bridge. Continue to Longshuixia Fissure, a narrow fault line that has been carved out by the river.

DAY 10: CHENGDU

Return by road to Chongqing and take the bullet train to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan Province.

DAY 11: GIANT PANDAS

Visit Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre where you can get up close to China's celebrated bears, as they chomp through piles of bamboo, in surroundings that mirror

their natural habitat. Continue to the People's Park and spend time in Matchmaker's Corner. Tonight, dine on delicious Sichuanese cuisine.

DAY 12: LESHAN GRAND BUDDHA

Take a day trip to Leshan to see the 71-metre high UNESCO listed Grand Buddha. Completed in the year 803, it is said that the Buddha's presence has calmed the turbulent waters of the river. View the Buddha from above before taking a short boat trip, which will give you an even better perspective from below.

DAYS 13-14: FLY CHENGDU TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.



Uncover the beauty of Wulong



Visit Little Wild Goose Pagoda

CLASSIC

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

This exciting itinerary combines the cities of Beijing, Shanghai and ancient Xian, with the beauty of Wulong National Park, a magnificent and undiscovered example of China's nature. A good level of fitness is required in Wulong National Park.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
09 May - 22 May	\$4,980	10 Oct - 23 Oct	\$4,980
12 Sep - 25 Sep	\$4,480		
2020 DATES			
07 May - 20 May	\$5,280	08 Oct - 21 Oct	\$5,280
10 Sep - 23 Sep	\$4,780		

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CHINA & TIBET DISCOVERY

16 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$5,880

FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

ALL MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING 2

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Wander the Barkhor
- ✓ Explore the Potala Palace
- ✓ Watch Giant Pandas play
- ✓ Three nights on the Yangtze



Explore Lhasa, the heart and soul of Tibet

PRICE INCLUDES

- 14 breakfasts, 13 lunches & 14 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in quality hotels
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
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PRICE GUIDE

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- Single Supplement from \$1,150 ask about our "Willing to Share" option
- Land only (Beijing to Shanghai): 15 days from \$4,710 per person twin share

EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



GARDENS BY THE BAY 4 DAYS FROM \$565pp

This multi-award winning destination spans 101 hectares along Singapore's magnificent waterfront. From the stunning Flower Dome to the mysterious Cloud Forest, this is your ticket to Avatar's fantasy world Pandora.

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Price based on twin share.
Additional flight costs apply.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO BEIJING

Fly to Beijing, China's historical capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: IMPERIAL BEIJING

Head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square and stroll into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. Entering through the Gate of Supreme Harmony, you will find a complex full of imperial riches. Later, soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape. Here, mingle with the locals and watch or participate as they practise Tai Chi, dance or play cards. Sit down to a traditional dinner of Peking duck. A Chinese acrobatic show rounds off the day.

DAY 3: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that it crosses. Visit the Jade Factory then spend the afternoon enjoying the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace, wandering through traditional Chinese gardens and seeing the exquisite architecture.

DAY 4: TANG DYNASTY DANCING

Fly to Xian, the ancient former capital. Explore the narrow and winding streets of the Muslim Quarter, which are lined with Islamic food stalls. Here, you will gain an insight into the city's fascinating culture and significance as the start of the Silk Road. In the evening, feast on traditional Shui Jiao dumplings and enjoy a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

DAY 5: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first Emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors and horses. Also visit the Xian Art Ceramics and Lacquer Workshop to see where the warriors are intricately recreated in style of their ancient counterparts. Later, stroll along the beautifully preserved 14th Century ancient city walls that enclose Xian's old town.

DAY 6: MYSTICAL LHASA

Fly to the city of Lhasa, the heart and soul of Tibet. This afternoon is at leisure to help acclimatise to the altitude.

DAY 7: JOKHANG TEMPLE AND THE BARKHOR

Lhasa is a modern, fast-growing city, but among the narrow, old, atmospheric streets you will feel a million miles from the modern world. Wander around the Barkhor to see traditionally dressed locals, stalls of religious trinkets and prostrating pilgrims. Inside the Jokhang Temple, the sacred centre of Tibetan Buddhism, the devotion is palpable as queues of people worship in the flickering light of yak butter candles. There will also be a visit to Sera Monastery, a renowned seat of Buddhist learning.

DAY 8: POTALA PALACE

The Potala Palace is an architectural wonder towering over the city from its seat on Marpo Ri (Red Mountain). The Potala, the former winter palace of the Dalai Lama, houses thousands of rooms filled with old treasures from intricate shrines to beautiful frescoes.



Visit sacred Jokhang Temple



Admire the impressive Potala Palace in Lhasa

This afternoon, explore Norbulingka, the former summer residence of the Dalai Lama, set in parkland just outside the city. Also visit a local Tibetan arts and crafts shop. Enjoy a traditional Tibetan dinner and dance performance in the evening.

DAY 9: JINLI STREET

Fly to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan Province. After a tour of Jinli Street, there will be a delicious Sichuanese meal to savour.

DAY 10: GIANT PANDAS

Begin today with a visit to Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre to see and learn about China's celebrated icons up close in surroundings that mirror their natural habitat. Watch them play and chomp on bamboo before travelling to Chongqing to board your Yangtze River cruise ship.

DAYS 11-12: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

Over the next two days prepare for one breathtaking panorama after another as you marvel at the spectacular scenery of the Three Gorges. Take a side trip to the attractive Goddess or Shennong Stream and enjoy a shore excursion to Shibaozhai or Fengdu.

DAY 13: THREE GORGES DAM

The Three Gorges Dam is a massive feat of engineering that saw the century-old dreams of Chinese luminaries come to fruition. Created to harness the power of the Yangtze, it is difficult to not be awestruck as you stand on the viewing platform. Disembark your cruise vessel and transfer to Wuhan to board your flight to the exuberant and cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'.

DAY 14: DISCOVER SHANGHAI

Shanghai is China's great metropolis, where east and west collide on streets lined with futuristic skyscrapers and 10th Century temples. Sightseeing today includes a visit to the traditional Yu Garden, the Silk Factory and a stop in the old town. Also admire the magnificent colonial architecture with a stroll along the historical waterfront, the Bund. This evening, view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise followed by a delicious Shanghaiese meal.

DAYS 15-16: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.



See Tibetan monks in Lhasa

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You'll journey to the roof of the world to the incredible city of Lhasa whilst enjoying the very best cultural, historical and natural treasures that China has to offer – from the Great Wall and Terracotta Army to the Yangtze River.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
13 Apr - 28 Apr	\$6,680	31 Aug - 15 Sep	\$5,880
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2020 DATES			
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23 May - 07 Jun	\$6,780	10 Oct - 25 Oct	\$6,980

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See the adorable Giant Pandas in Chengdu

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

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- ✓ Watch Giant Pandas play
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- ✓ Cruise on the Li River
- ✓ Four nights on the Yangtze
- ✓ Admire Shanghai's bright lights

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- 14 breakfasts, 13 lunches & 14 dinners
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BEYOND THE GREAT WALL 2 DAYS FROM \$695pp

Explore one of the less-visited and untouched parts of the Great Wall as you hike along the Jinshanling section of the wall.

See page 108.

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Additional flight costs apply.



See the cormorant fishermen in Guilin

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO BEIJING

Fly to Beijing, China's historical capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: IMPERIAL BEIJING

This morning, head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square, and stroll into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. Entering through the Gate of Supreme Harmony, you will find a complex full of imperial riches. Take a rickshaw ride through the narrow alleys of the warren-like hutongs and learn more about living in this traditional area. Later, soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape, where you can mingle with the locals and watch or participate as they practise Tai Chi, dance or play cards. This evening, sit down to a traditional dinner of Peking duck.

DAY 3: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that it crosses. You will then have an opportunity to visit the Jade Factory, where you will be able to buy a small handcrafted piece. Jade is revered throughout China, it is said to bring fortune and prosperity to those who wear it. Enjoy the afternoon strolling through the idyllic gardens of the Summer Palace and admire the traditional Chinese landscapes and exquisite architecture.

DAY 4: TANG DYNASTY DANCING

Fly to Xian, the ancient former capital. Take a walking tour of the narrow and winding streets of the lively Muslim Quarter and gain an insight into the city's fascinating culture and significance as the start of the Silk Road. In the evening, enjoy a dumpling feast and Tang Dynasty dancing show.

DAY 5: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first Emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors and horses. Also visit the workshop to see where the warriors are intricately recreated in the style of their ancient counterparts and stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th Century city walls that enclose Xian's old town.

DAY 6: BOARD YOUR CRUISE

Fly to Wuhan and transfer to Yichang to board your Yangtze River Cruise vessel.

DAYS 7-9: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

A man-made marvel, the Three Gorges Dam showcases this massive feat of engineering. But as you cruise upstream nature takes over, revealing some of the world's most dramatic scenery. Over the next three days prepare for one breathtaking panorama after another, take a side trip to the attractive Shennong or Goddess Stream and enjoy a shore excursion to Shibaozhai or Fengdu.

DAY 10: CHONGQING PANDA HOUSE

Disembark from the cruise vessel and visit the Panda House at Chongqing Zoo. Later, fly to Guilin.



Gaze at the Terracotta Warriors

DAY 11: LI RIVER CRUISE

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to the charming town of Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view to take your breath away as jagged karst peaks loom over rural scenes of lush greenery, grazing buffalo and local fishermen.

DAY 12: YANGSHUO

Yangshuo sits in an exquisite rural location, surrounded by landscapes of emerald-green paddy fields and dramatic limestone karsts. Spend the morning exploring the countryside before returning to Guilin by road. Explore the impressive Reed Flute Cave and visit the South China Pearl Factory before stopping for a photo opportunity on the banks of the Li River to meet a cormorant fisherman.



Cruise along the beautiful Li River

DAY 13: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Take a walk around the picturesque Ronghu Lake and admire the Sun & Moon pagodas and then fly to the exuberant and cosmopolitan city of Shanghai. This evening, view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise.

DAY 14: DISCOVER SHANGHAI

Visit the charming Yu Gardens, the old town, Silk Factory and take a stroll along the Bund. This evening, enjoy some tasty traditional Shanghaiese cuisine followed by the ERA acrobatic show.

DAYS 15-16: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

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YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

This hugely popular tour journeys through some of China's most iconic sights from Beijing's Great Wall, Xian's warriors, and picturesque Guilin to the mighty Yangtze River. Expect a busy but fun-filled tour.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES

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20 May - 04 Jun	\$6,580	21 Oct - 05 Nov	\$6,180
27 May - 11 Jun	\$6,080	28 Oct - 12 Nov	\$6,180
10 Jun - 25 Jun	\$6,080	04 Nov - 19 Nov	\$5,280
24 Jun - 09 Jul	\$6,080	11 Nov - 26 Nov	\$5,280
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2020 DATES

03 Mar - 18 Mar	\$5,580	20 Jul - 04 Aug	\$6,380
10 Mar - 25 Mar	\$5,580	03 Aug - 18 Aug	\$5,580
16 Mar - 31 Mar	\$5,980	17 Aug - 01 Sep	\$5,580
23 Mar - 07 Apr	\$5,980	24 Aug - 08 Sep	\$5,580
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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

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- ✓ Feel Hong Kong's vibrancy
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TASTE OF MACAO 3 DAYS FROM \$420pp

Located 60km south-west of Hong Kong, Macau has long been a place of shipping and trade. With baroque-style churches, traditional Chinese buildings, gardens and temples, there is much more to Macau than just glitzy casinos.

See page 119.
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Admire Hong Kong's renowned jaw-dropping skyline

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DAY 3: THE GREAT WALL

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DAY 4: TEMPLE OF HEAVEN

Begin today soaking up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape. Here, mingle with the locals and perhaps even join them as they start their day by practising Tai Chi, dancing and playing cards. Transfer to the airport and fly to the ancient city of Xian. This evening, enjoy a delicious feast of traditional Shui Jiao dumplings before a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

DAY 5: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first Emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors and horses who stand in their original formations at the exact location they were excavated. Also visit the workshop of the craftsmen who recreate the Terracotta Warriors in style of their ancient counterparts and buy a souvenir to take home! Later, stroll along the beautifully preserved 14th Century ancient city walls that enclose Xian's old town.

DAY 6: BULLET TRAIN TO CHENGDU

Enjoy a relaxed morning with time to walk through the atmospheric alleys of the Muslim Quarter which are lined with food stalls. Here, you will gain an insight into the city's fascinating culture and significance as the start of the Silk Road. Later, take a bullet train to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan Province.

DAY 7: GIANT PANDAS

A visit this morning to Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre allows you to see and learn about China's celebrated bears up close in surroundings that mirror their natural habitat. Later, stroll through People's Park to see Matchmaker's Corner, where parents search for suitors for their children.

DAY 8: OLD CIQIKOU

Drive from Chengdu to Chongqing and spend some time wandering the picturesque old alleyways of Ciqikou. Later, board your Yangtze cruise vessel and set sail for the next four days on the Yangtze River.



Stroll along the Bund in Shanghai



Explore the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City in Beijing

DAYS 9-11: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

Cruise down the Yangtze through some of China's most dramatic scenery. Over the next three days prepare for one breathtaking panorama after another. Take a side trip to the attractive Goddess or Shennong Stream and enjoy a shore excursion to Shibaozhai or Fengdu. A man-made marvel, you will also see the Three Gorges Dam which showcases a simply massive feat of engineering. Disembark and travel to Wuhan for your flight to the exuberant and cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'.

DAY 12: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Shanghai is China's great metropolis, where east and west collide on streets lined with futuristic skyscrapers and 10th Century temples. Begin today with a visit to Yu Garden and the old town before admiring the magnificent colonial architecture with a stroll along the Bund. Learn about the age-old silk production process at the Silk Factory. This evening, view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise and enjoy a delicious meal of traditional Shanghaiese cuisine.

DAY 13: FLY TO HONG KONG.

No other city in Asia encapsulates the concept of east-meets-west quite like Hong Kong. Known for its spectacular harbour and jaw dropping skyline, Hong Kong is a city that never sleeps! Embark on an island tour, starting with a delicious dim sum lunch. Visit Stanley Market and Aberdeen fishing village, where you take to the water and enjoy a sampan ride.

DAY 14: LANTAU ISLAND

Spend the day at Lantau Island. Start by taking a ride on the cable car which offers stunning views of the island's breathtaking coastline to Ngong Ping Plateau, where the Giant Buddha sits majestically close to the Po Lin Monastery. After touring the Giant Buddha Exhibition Hall and the Po Lin Monastery, a vegetarian meal is served. Enjoy a farewell dinner atop Victoria Peak.

DAYS 15-16: FLY TO AUSTRALIA

Today is at leisure until your flight home. With over 260 outlying islands, choose to tour the New Territories, explore Kowloon or take a short hike on Lamma Island. Transfer to the airport for your flight to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.



Visit Lantau Island

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On this trip you'll embark on a comprehensive journey through the great cities of China – Beijing, Xian, Chengdu, Shanghai and Hong Kong. Also included is a three night cruise on the mighty Yangtze river. This is a tour not to be missed!

PRICES & DEPARTURES

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Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB 660 (AU\$135) is paid locally in China and approximately HKD 280 (AU\$49) is paid locally in Hong Kong.

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ALL MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Glimpse the past in Lijiang
- ✓ Admire Tiger Leaping Gorge
- ✓ Find peace at Mt Emei
- ✓ Explore Wulong National Park
- ✓ Watch Giant Pandas play
- ✓ Discover delightful Dali



Spend time in Wulong National Park

PRICE INCLUDES

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EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



GUILIN, YANGSHUO & LONGJI SHORT STAY 5 DAYS FROM \$750pp

The Li River flows languidly through a landscape of karst towers and tranquil rural scenes. Both the city of Guilin and town of Yangshuo nestle amongst this glorious scenery whilst the iconic Longji rice terraces are just a short trip away.

See page 111.
Price based on twin share.
Additional flight costs apply.

ITINERARY

DAY 1-2: FLY AUSTRALIA TO KUNMING

Fly overnight to the relaxed city of Kunming. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: STONE FOREST

Spend the morning meandering through the formations of the UNESCO listed Stone Forest, where towering limestone pillars stand treelike in a fascinating illusion of woodland. Return to Kunming and in the evening, sample the local delicacy, Across the Bridge Noodles.

DAY 4: DISCOVER DALI

Travel to Dali, a charming town that offers a peek at the China of times-gone-by. Begin your tour by exploring the fascinating old quarter and lively market to soak up the local atmosphere. Next, visit the age-old Three Pagodas and later this evening, take a stroll down Foreigners' Street.

DAY 5: ERHAI CRUISE

Spend the morning cruising the mirror-like waters of Erhai Lake and admire the spectacular scenery provided by the Cang Mountains. The rest of the afternoon is at leisure to further explore the area.

DAY 6: TRAVEL TO LIJIANG

This morning, explore Xizhou Village and browse its lively local market. Drive to Lijiang, set in the foothills of the Jade Dragon Snow Mountain. Visit the Black Dragon Pool, where there are wonderful views of the mountains, before mingling with traditionally dressed Naxi women in the bustling markets.

DAY 7: JADE DRAGON SNOW MOUNTAIN

A magnificent mountain, the Jade Dragon Snow Mountain comprises several peaks, the tallest of which soars 5,500 metres. Taking a cable car, explore one of the beautiful high meadows and enjoy the amazing vistas. On the way back to Lijiang, visit Baisha Old Town to view the fascinating frescoes painted during the Ming Dynasty followed by a visit to the Embroidery School.

DAY 8: TIGER LEAPING GORGE

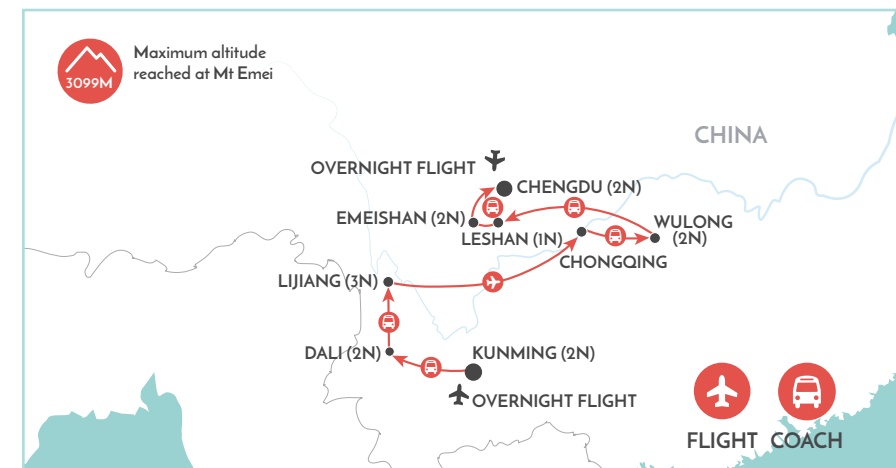
Journey to the 3,000 metre deep Tiger Leaping Gorge. With its backdrop of snow-capped mountains, it is one of China's most extraordinary sights with spectacular and breathtaking views. Return to Lijiang and explore the old quarter; the quintessential Chinese 'old town' and wander the jumble of cobbled streets, traditional wooden buildings and rustic stone bridges.

DAY 9: WULONG

Fly to Chongqing and transfer to Wulong – an area of stunning natural scenery with towering limestone karsts, deep gorges, caves and natural bridges. Its remote location has ensured that the park is relatively un-spoilt. It comes as no surprise that Wulong is a UNESCO World Heritage site.

DAY 10: THREE BRIDGES NATIONAL PARK & LONGSHUIXIA

Today, visit Three Bridges National Park, a rare geological wonder consisting of three natural karst bridges: Tianlong Bridge, Qinglong Bridge and Heilong Bridge. Continue to Longshuixia Fissure, a narrow fault line that has been carved out by the river.



Stunning Erhai Lake in Dali



Explore the charming town of Dali

DAY 11: LESHAN

Drive to Leshan and enjoy the rest of the day at leisure.

DAY 12: GRAND BUDDHA

Take a day trip to see the 71-metre high UNESCO listed Grand Buddha. Completed in the year 803, it is said that the Buddha's presence has calmed the turbulent waters of the river. View the Buddha from above before taking a short boat trip, which will give you an even better perspective from below. Continue to Emeishan.

DAY 13: EXPLORE MOUNT EMEI

Mount Emei is the cradle of the Buddhist religion in China with the first temple built on its peak in the 1st Century. Admire the striking and diverse natural beauty of the mountain and spend the day soaking up the ambience and exploring.



Admire beautiful and sacred Mt Emei

DAY 14: CHENGDU

Travel to Chengdu and take a walk through the famous snack street – Jinli!

DAY 15 GIANT PANDAS

Visit Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre to see and learn about China's celebrated icons. See them up close in surroundings that mirror their natural habitat as they chomp through piles of bamboo. Later, stroll through People's Park, visit a traditional teahouse and see Matchmaker's Corner where parents search for worthy suitors for their children. This evening, dine on mouthwatering Sichuanese cuisine.

DAYS 16-17: FLY CHENGDU TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

CLASSIC

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

As two of the most fascinating, diverse and colourful provinces in China, Yunnan and Sichuan are incredibly diverse and unique in their own way. A good level of fitness is required in Wulong National Park.

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18 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$4,780

FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

ALL MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Marvel at the Hanging Temple
- ✓ Feel at peace in Wutaishan
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Witness Shaolin Kung Fu
- ✓ Stroll Pingyao's ancient streets

PRICE INCLUDES

- 16 breakfasts, 15 lunches & 16 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in quality hotels
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders

PRICE GUIDE

- 18 days fully inclusive twin share from \$4,780 per person departing Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- For departures from other cities, please contact reservations for pricing and details
- Single Supplement from \$980 ask about our "Willing to Share" option
- Land only (Beijing to Shanghai): 17 days from \$3,570 per person twin share

EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



HONG KONG IN FOCUS 4 DAYS FROM \$810pp

Hong Kong offers visitors a dynamic mix of the east and west, with over 150 years of colonial history and ageless Chinese traditions.

See page 118.

Price based on twin share. Additional flight costs apply.



Explore the Longmen Grottoes in Luoyang

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO BEIJING

Arrive in Beijing, China's fascinating capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: IMPERIAL BEIJING

This morning, head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square and stroll into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City where you will find a complex full of imperial treasures. Take a rickshaw ride through the narrow alleys of the warren-like hutongs and learn more about living in this traditional area. In the evening, sit down to enjoy the local delicacy, Peking duck.

DAY 3: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the sheer magnificence of the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that surrounds it. Visit the Jade Factory, where you will be able to buy a small handcrafted piece. Jade is revered throughout China, it is said to bring fortune and prosperity to those who wear it. Spend the afternoon at the idyllic Summer Palace, wandering through traditional Chinese gardens and seeing the exquisite architecture.

DAY 4: TEMPLE OF HEAVEN

Soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape and mingle with the locals as they practice Tai Chi, dance or play cards. Later, browse your way through Panjiayuan, Beijing's most extensive arts, crafts and antiques market.

DAY 5: HISTORICAL DATONG

Travel by train to Datong, watching the rural splendour of China pass by your window. Datong is known for its abundant historical relics and natural beauty. Arrive in time for a local dinner in this fascinating city.

DAY 6: THE HANGING TEMPLE

Today, you will explore some of China's UNESCO Heritage sites of religious significance. Grottoes carved from sandstone cliffs in the 5th and 6th Centuries, Yungang Caves are replete with intricate Buddhist imagery. Also visit the 1,400 year old, gravity-defying Hanging Temple that seemingly floats 50 metres up the face of Jinxia Gorge. Travel on to Wutaishan.

DAY 7: WUTAISHAN

One of China's four sacred Buddhist mountains, Wutaishan (Five Terraced Mountain) is a place of scenic magnificence. In Wutaishan's shadow, an alpine valley shelters many important monasteries, temples and sculptures, some dating back over 1,000 years. Here, visit the Bodhisattva Summit Temple and also visit Xiantong Buddhist Temple. Continue to Taiyuan, the capital and largest city in Shanxi Province and visit the Twin Pagoda Temple, constructed during the Ming Dynasty.

DAY 8: TAIYUAN AND PINGYAO

Enjoy the beauty and tranquillity of Jinci Temple before travelling to the old town of Pingyao. Pingyao is a living museum and home to China's best preserved ancient city walls. Here, take part in a traditional Chinese paper cutting experience, dating back to the 6th Century.



Hanging Temple in Datong



See a Kung Fu demonstration in Shaolin



Visit Shaolin Temple

DAY 9: PINGYAO

The characterful old town of Pingyao is considered the best ancient walled town in the country. Stroll along the cobbled streets to view the old city walls and the Rishengchang Financial House Museum. There will also be time to see the Yamen, a former government building from the Qing Dynasty, before taking the bullet train to the former imperial capital of Xian.

DAY 10: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first Emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of these lifesize warriors and visit the Xian Art Ceramics and Lacquer Workshop. Later, take a stroll on the beautifully preserved ancient city walls that enclose Xian's old town. This evening, enjoy a delicious feast of Shui Jiao dumplings and a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

DAY 11: DISCOVER XIAN

Admire the relics at the Xian Museum before visiting the Little Wild Goose Pagoda and watching a calligraphy demonstration. There will also be time to explore the atmospheric alleys of the Muslim Quarter.

DAY 12: LUOYANG

Board a bullet train from Xian to Luoyang, a city that was the capital for more than 13 dynasties. This afternoon, visit the Longmen Grottoes which houses tens of thousands of age-old statues and sculptures depicting Buddha and his disciples carved from the limestone cliffs of Xiangshan and Longmenshan.

DAY 13: SHAOLIN TEMPLE

Travel to Dengfeng and visit the famous Shaolin Temple, best known for its association with martial arts, and walk through the Pagoda Forest, a collection of 228 pagodas of various styles built from the Tang through to the Qing dynasties. Later, witness a Kung Fu demonstration by the famous Shaolin Monks. Continue to Zhengzhou.

DAY 14: HUANGPU RIVER CRUISE

Fly to the exuberant and cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. In the evening, view the city from the Huangpu River on a scenic cruise.

DAY 15: COSMOPOLITAN SHANGHAI

Shanghai is China's great metropolis, east and west colliding on streets lined with skyscrapers and old temples. Visit the classical Yu Garden and stop in the old town before admiring the colonial architecture on the Bund. This evening, take your seats to see the fascinating ERA acrobatic show.

DAY 16: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Wander through the Xintiandi area to admire the 1920s architectural style, view the artefacts at the Shanghai Museum and explore the Silk Factory. Taste delicious, traditional Shanghaiese cuisine for dinner.

DAYS 17-18: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

ANCIENT CHINA

CLASSIC

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

You'll travel through thousands of years of diverse history, China is one of the world's oldest civilizations. Encounter millennia old culture, traditions and religion with visits to some of China's greatest and most intriguing sights.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
02 Apr - 19 Apr	\$5,180	03 Sep - 20 Sep	\$4,780
23 Apr - 10 May #	\$5,180	17 Sep - 04 Oct #	\$4,780
07 May - 24 May	\$4,780	08 Oct - 25 Oct	\$5,180
2020 DATES			
07 Apr - 24 Apr	\$5,480	01 Sep - 18 Sep	\$5,080
21 Apr - 08 May #	\$5,480	15 Sep - 02 Oct #	\$5,080
05 May - 22 May	\$5,080	06 Oct - 23 Oct #	\$5,480

Important note

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Departure coincides with Golden Week celebrations and sightseeing may be affected.

Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB 710 (AU\$145) is paid locally in China.



Try Chinese paper cutting in Pingyao

CHINA DELIGHTS

- 18 DAYS FROM
- PER PERSON \$4,880
- FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH
- ALL MEALS
- PHYSICAL RATING

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Cruise Hangzhou's West Lake
- ✓ Discover old gardens in Suzhou
- ✓ Cruise on the Li River
- ✓ Watch Giant Pandas play
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall



Visit a tea plantation in Hangzhou

PRICE INCLUDES

- 16 breakfasts, 15 lunches & 16 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in quality hotels
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders

PRICE GUIDE

- 18 days fully inclusive twin share from \$4,880 per person departing Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
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- Single Supplement from \$840 ask about our "Willing to Share" option
- Land only (Shanghai to Beijing): 17 days from \$3,680 per person twin share

EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



PURE YANGTZE 5 DAYS FROM \$690pp

Relax over four nights cruising on the Yangtze. Explore the Three Gorges – Qutang, Wu and Xiling. Visit the colossal dam and enjoy daily shore excursions.

See page 106.
Price based on twin share.
Additional flight costs apply.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO SHANGHAI

Fly to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Shanghai is China's great metropolis, where east and west collide on streets lined with futuristic skyscrapers and 10th Century temples. Sightseeing today begins with a visit to the classical Yu Garden and stop in the old town before admiring the colonial architecture with a stroll along the Bund. Round off the day with a delicious meal of traditional Shanghaiese cuisine.

DAY 3: EVEN MORE SHANGHAI

Explore ultra-modern Pudong followed by a visit to the Silk Factory and the Shanghai Museum to see the fine arts and antiquities on offer. This evening, view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise.

DAY 4: HISTORIC SUZHOU

Suzhou's centre has managed to retain a sense of quaint charm even as the city has grown up around it. Renowned for its traditional gardens, visit the Humble Administrator's Garden, typical of the Chinese appreciation of balance and harmony. Later, cruise on the thousand-year-old Grand Canal.

DAY 5: WUZHEN

Travel to the water town of Wuzhen. A charming place of old-world timber buildings, cobbled streets and narrow waterways, it is an easy place to while away the day. Later, continue to the garden city of Hangzhou.

DAY 6: HISTORIC HANGZHOU

A restful morning is spent wandering around the Temple of Inspired Seclusion, one of China's most renowned Buddhist temples. Later, enjoy a cruise on Hangzhou's West Lake, admiring the gardens, pagodas and old bridges on its shores.

DAY 7: LUSH TEA PLANTATIONS

Browse the bustling local markets and visit the plantations of Meijiawu to learn the tea-making process, from bush to brew. Enjoy a cup of organic green tea and decide which of the locally produced teas you might like to purchase. Later, fly to the beautiful city of Guilin and enjoy the rest of the day at leisure.

DAY 8: LI RIVER CRUISE

Begin today with a relaxing cruise along the Li River to the charming town of Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view to take your breath away as jagged karst peaks loom over rural scenes of lush greenery and grazing buffalo. Wander through the cobbled streets and visit the local market, then stop on the banks of the Li River for a photo opportunity with a cormorant fisherman.

DAY 9: YANGSHUO

Yangshuo sits in an exquisite rural location, surrounded by landscapes of emerald-green paddy fields and dramatic limestone karsts. Start the day with a relaxing and invigorating session of Tai Chi, taking a class with a master to learn this ancient martial art. Spend the rest of the morning exploring the countryside and enjoy some time at leisure. Later, travel through the countryside as you return by road to Guilin.



Cruise on Suzhou's Grand Canal

DAY 10: CHENGDU

Visit Reed Flute Cave to admire the colourful stalagmites and stalactites. Continue to the Pearl Factory, then fly to Chengdu, the capital of Sichuan Province.

DAY 11: GRAND BUDDHA OF LESHAN

Travel to Leshan to visit the UNESCO listed Grand Buddha which, at 71 metres, is the world's largest stone-carved Buddhist monument. Get a bird's eye view of the Buddha from the adjacent park, then a short boat trip will give excellent views from the river. Return to Chengdu and in the evening, sample a delicious Sichuanese meal.

DAY 12: GIANT PANDAS

Visit Chengdu's famous Giant Panda reserve to see and learn about China's celebrated bears up close in surroundings that mirror their natural habitat. Later, take the bullet train to Xian, the ancient former capital.

DAY 13: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first Emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors and horses. Also visit the workshop of the craftsmen to see where the warriors are intricately recreated in style of their ancient counterparts. Later, take a leisurely stroll along the beautifully preserved 14th Century city walls that enclose Xian's old town. This evening, sit down to a delicious feast of traditional Shui Jiao dumplings followed by a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

DAY 14: BEIJING

Visit the fascinating Little Wild Goose Pagoda. Later, fly to Beijing, the capital of China.

DAY 15: IMPERIAL BEIJING

Spend the morning soaking up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape. Here, mingle with the locals and watch or participate as they practise Tai Chi, dance or play cards. Next, head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square and stroll into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. Entering through the Gate of Supreme Harmony, you will find a complex full of imperial riches. A Chinese acrobatic show rounds off the day.

DAY 16: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the sheer magnificence of the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that surrounds it. Visit the Jade factory before spending the afternoon enjoying the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace, wandering through traditional Chinese gardens and seeing the exquisite architecture. In the evening, enjoy a traditional dinner of Peking duck.

DAYS 17-18: FLY BEIJING TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

CHINA DELIGHTS

CLASSIC

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

It allows you to journey through the classical gardens of Suzhou and explore the lakes, temples and tea plantations of Hangzhou on a tour that also encompasses China's myriad delights – the Great Wall, Warriors, Pandas and Shanghai.



Explore rural Yangshuo

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
09 Apr - 26 Apr	\$5,480	17 Sep - 04 Oct #	\$5,580
07 May - 24 May	\$5,480	08 Oct - 25 Oct	\$5,580
21 May - 07 Jun	\$5,480	22 Oct - 08 Nov	\$5,280
06 Aug - 23 Aug	\$5,280	19 Nov - 06 Dec	\$4,880
03 Sep - 20 Sep	\$5,280		
2020 DATES			
07 Apr - 24 Apr	\$5,780	15 Sep - 02 Oct #	\$5,880
05 May - 22 May	\$5,780	06 Oct - 23 Oct #	\$5,880
19 May - 05 Jun	\$5,780	20 Oct - 06 Nov	\$5,580
04 Aug - 21 Aug	\$5,580	17 Nov - 04 Dec	\$5,180
01 Sep - 18 Sep	\$5,580		

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Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB 740 (AU\$151) is paid locally in China.

CLASSIC CHINA

21 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$6,480

FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

ALL MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Explore friendly Yangshuo
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Three nights on the Yangtze
- ✓ Discover the past in Lijiang
- ✓ Explore Tiger Leaping Gorge



Explore beautifully preserved Lijiang

PRICE INCLUDES

- 19 breakfasts, 18 lunches & 19 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in quality hotels
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders

PRICE GUIDE

- 21 days fully inclusive twin share from \$6,480 per person departing Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- For departures from other cities, please contact reservations for pricing and details
- Single Supplement from \$1,380 ask about our "Willing to Share" option
- Land only (Beijing to Shanghai): 20 days from \$5,280 per person twin share.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO BEIJING

Fly to Beijing, China's historical capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: IMPERIAL BEIJING

This morning, head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square and stroll into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. Entering through the Gate of Supreme Harmony, you will find a complex full of imperial riches. Later, soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape. Here, mingle with the locals and watch or participate as they practise Tai Chi, dance or play cards. In the evening, enjoy a traditional Peking duck dinner followed by a Chinese acrobatic show.

DAY 3: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that it crosses. Visit the Jade Factory then spend the afternoon in the idyllic gardens of the Summer Palace as you wander through traditional Chinese landscapes and see the exquisite architecture.

DAY 4: FLY TO XIAN

Fly to the ancient city of Xian and visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda. In the evening, enjoy a delicious feast of traditional Shui Jiao dumplings followed by a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

DAY 5: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first Emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors and horses. Also visit the workshop to see where the warriors are intricately recreated in style of their ancient counterparts. After lunch, stroll along the beautifully preserved 14th Century city walls that enclose Xian's old town.

DAY 6: FLY TO GUILIN

Fly to Guilin and visit the Reed Flute Cave to see the colourful stalagmites and stalactites.

DAY 7: LI RIVER CRUISE

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to charming Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view to take your breath away as jagged karst peaks loom over rural scenes of lush greenery, grazing buffalo and local fishermen. This afternoon you can spend some time browsing Yangshuo's vibrant markets.

DAY 8: YANGSHUO

Begin with a relaxing and invigorating session of Tai Chi, taking a class with a master to learn this ancient martial art. Explore the countryside and stop on the banks of the Li River for a photo opportunity with a cormorant fisherman. Enjoy time at leisure or choose one of the many optional activities available including cycling or bamboo rafting (at your own expense).

DAY 9: TRAVEL TO KUNMING

Drive back to Guilin and visit the Pearl Factory before flying to Kunming, capital of Yunnan Province. This evening, dine on a local dish, Across the Bridge Noodles.



Shanghai Bund at night



Magnificent Forbidden City in Beijing



Walk in the Stone Forest in Kunming

DAY 10: THE STONE FOREST

Meander through the formations of the UNESCO-listed Stone Forest, where towering limestone pillars stand treelike in a fascinating illusion of woodland.

DAY 11: EXPLORE LIJIANG

Fly to Lijiang, set in the foothills of Jade Dragon Snow Mountain. Discover the old quarter; the quintessential Chinese 'old town' and wander the jumble of cobbled streets, traditional wooden buildings and rustic stone bridges. Continue to the Black Dragon Pool Park, where there are wonderful views of Jade Dragon Snow Mountain.

DAY 12: TIGER LEAPING GORGE

Journey to the 3,000 metres deep Tiger Leaping Gorge. With its backdrop of snow-capped mountains, it is one of China's most extraordinary sights. Later, return to Lijiang.

DAY 13: JADE DRAGON SNOW MOUNTAIN

A magnificent mountain, the Jade Dragon Snow Mountain comprises several peaks, the tallest of which soars 5,500 metres. Taking a cable car, explore one of the gorgeous high meadows and enjoy the amazing vistas. On the way back to Lijiang, visit Baisha Old Town to view the fascinating frescoes painted during the early Ming Dynasty and also visit Baisha Village, a settlement of the Naxi minority people.

DAY 14: FLY TO CHENGDU

Fly to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan Province. Tonight, dine on some fantastic local cuisine.

DAY 15: GIANT PANDAS

A visit to Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre allows you to see and learn about China's celebrated bears up close in surroundings that mirror their natural habitat. Take a stroll through People's Park to see Matchmaker's Corner, where parents search for suitable partners for their children. Later, transfer to Chongqing and board your Yangtze cruise vessel.

DAYS 16-18: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

As you cruise downstream, nature takes over, revealing some of the world's most dramatic scenery. Over the next three days prepare for one breathtaking panorama after another. Enjoy various side trips and shore excursions as well as the Three Gorges Dam which showcases a simply massive feat of engineering. Disembark and transfer to Wuhan for your flight to Shanghai.

DAY 19: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Shanghai is China's great metropolis, where east and west collide on streets lined with futuristic skyscrapers and 10th Century temples. Visit the Yu Garden, old town, the Silk Factory and stroll along the Bund. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure or take an optional trip on the super-fast Maglev train or ascend Jin Mao Tower (at your own expense). This evening, view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise and enjoy a delicious meal of traditional Shanghaiese cuisine.

DAYS 20-21: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
08 Apr - 28 Apr	\$6,980	09 Sep - 29 Sep	\$6,980
29 Apr - 19 May #	\$6,980	16 Sep - 06 Oct #	\$6,980
06 May - 26 May	\$6,980	23 Sep - 13 Oct #	\$6,980
13 May - 02 Jun	\$6,980	07 Oct - 27 Oct #	\$6,480
02 Sep - 22 Sep	\$6,980	14 Oct - 03 Nov	\$6,480

2020 DATES			
06 Apr - 26 Apr	\$7,380	14 Sep - 04 Oct #	\$7,380
27 Apr - 17 May #	\$7,380	21 Sep - 11 Oct #	\$7,380
04 May - 24 May	\$7,380	05 Oct - 25 Oct #	\$7,380
11 May - 31 May	\$7,380	12 Oct - 01 Nov	\$6,880
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+ EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



ZHANGJIAJIE SCENIC WONDER 5 DAYS FROM \$1,310pp

A stunning location that is famous worldwide for its unique natural scenery, sandstone pillars, and for being the inspiration for scenery in the movie Avatar.

See page 111.

Price based on twin share.
Additional flight costs apply.

BESTSELLER

MAGNIFICENT CHINA

22 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$5,980

FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

ALL MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Watch Giant Pandas play
- ✓ Cruise on the Li River
- ✓ Four nights on the Yangtze
- ✓ Stroll old gardens in Suzhou



Discover imperial riches in the Forbidden City of Beijing

PRICE INCLUDES

- 20 breakfasts, 19 lunches & 20 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in quality hotels
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders

PRICE GUIDE

- 22 days fully inclusive twin share from \$5,980 per person departing Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- For departures from other cities, please contact reservations for pricing and details
- Single Supplement from \$1,420 ask about our "Willing to Share" option
- Land only (Beijing to Shanghai): 21 days from \$4,680 per person twin share.

EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



DISCOVER YUNNAN 10 DAYS FROM \$3,080pp

Yunnan Province is home to the most ethnic minority groups in China where you will see vast and stunning landscapes and intriguing cultural attractions.

See page 112.

Price based on twin share. Additional flight costs apply.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO BEIJING

Fly to Beijing, China's historical capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: IMPERIAL BEIJING

This morning, head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square and stroll into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City to discover a complex full of imperial riches. Take a rickshaw ride through the narrow alleys of the warren-like hutongs and learn more about living in this traditional area. This evening, sit down to a traditional dinner of Peking duck.

DAY 3: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the sheer magnificence of the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that surrounds it. Spend the afternoon at the idyllic Summer Palace, wandering through traditional Chinese gardens and seeing the exquisite architecture.

DAY 4: TEMPLE OF HEAVEN

Spend the morning soaking up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape and mingle with the locals as they practise Tai Chi, dance or play cards.

DAY 5: TANG DYNASTY DANCING

Fly to Xian, the ancient former capital and visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda. Tonight, feast on traditional Shui Jiao dumplings and a Tang Dynasty dance show.

DAY 6: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

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DAY 7: BOARD YOUR CRUISE

Fly to Wuhan and transfer to Yichang to board your Yangtze River Cruise vessel, where you will stay for the next four nights.

DAYS 8-10: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

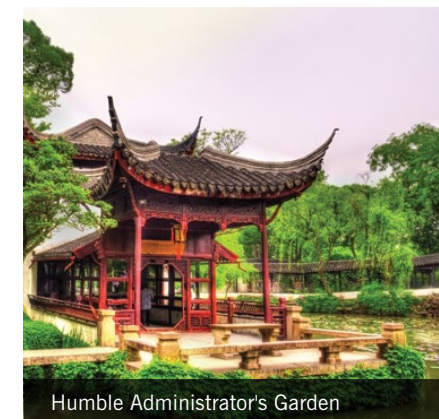
The Three Gorges Dam showcases a massive feat of engineering but as we cruise upstream nature takes over, revealing some of the world's most dramatic scenery including the Three Gorges themselves. Over the next few days prepare for one breathtaking panorama after another. Enjoy a side trip to the attractive Shennong or Goddess Stream and a shore excursion to Shibaozhai or Fengdu.

DAY 11: OLD CIQIKOU

Disembark in Chongqing and explore old Ciqikou, whose narrow streets are perfect for a stroll to admire the traditional architecture. Transfer by road to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan Province.



Spend time in Shanghai's Xintiandi area



Humble Administrator's Garden

DAY 12: GIANT PANDAS

Visit Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre to see and learn about China's celebrated bears up close in surroundings that mirror their natural habitat. A look around the informative museum gives an overview of the Reserve's breeding programme. Also stroll through the vibrant People's Park with a stop at Matchmaker's Corner, where parents search for worthy suitors for their children, ending with a visit to a traditional tea house. Tonight, dine on delicious Sichuanese food.

DAY 13: GUILIN

Fly to the beautiful city of Guilin and discover the colourful stalagmites and stalactites of Reed Flute Cave.

DAY 14: LI RIVER CRUISE

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to the charming town of Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view to take your breath away as jagged karst peaks loom over rural scenes of lush greenery, grazing buffalo and local fishermen.

DAY 15: YANGSHUO

Yangshuo sits in an exquisite rural location, surrounded by landscapes of emerald-green paddy fields and dramatic limestone karsts. Spend the morning exploring the countryside and stop on the banks of the Li River for a photo opportunity with a cormorant fisherman. This afternoon is at leisure where you can choose from the many optional activities available including cycling, bamboo rafting and hiking (at your own expense).

DAY 16: DISCOVER GUILIN

Travel back to Guilin and enjoy a walk around Ronghu Lake and admire the Sun and Moon pagodas – two towering examples of traditional Chinese-Buddhist architecture. Continue to the South China Pearl Factory to see the fascinating 1,700-year history of pearling in the South China Sea with displays and demonstrations.

DAY 17: FLY TO SHANGHAI

Fly to the exuberant and cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. Later, spend some time in the city's Xintiandi area, a vibrant entertainment district made up of traditional 19th Century Shikumen architecture.

DAY 18: HISTORIC SUZHOU

Travel to Suzhou, renowned for its gardens – visit one of its finest, the Humble Administrator's Garden. Cruise the Grand Canal before returning to Shanghai for a dinner of Shanghaiese cuisine.

DAYS 19-20: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Shanghai is China's great metropolis, where east and west collide. Visit the Shanghai Museum, People's Square and admire the architecture on the Bund. Later, view the city from the Huangpu River on a cruise. The next day visit the Silk Factory, the classical Yu Garden and stop in the Old Town before exploring futuristic Pudong. Tonight, enjoy the ERA acrobatic show.

DAYS 21-22: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

MAGNIFICENT CHINA

CLASSIC

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

From the Great Wall and Warriors, to cruising on the mighty Yangtze and the breathtaking Li River, this tour encompasses China's most magnificent sights as well as spending a little extra time in China's most exciting cities.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
04 Mar - 25 Mar	\$5,980	03 Aug - 24 Aug	\$6,680
16 Mar - 06 Apr	\$5,980	24 Aug - 14 Sep	\$6,680
23 Mar - 13 Apr	\$6,680	31 Aug - 21 Sep	\$6,680
30 Mar - 20 Apr	\$6,680	02 Sep - 23 Sep	\$6,680
06 Apr - 27 Apr	\$7,180	07 Sep - 28 Sep	\$6,680
13 Apr - 04 May #	\$7,180	14 Sep - 05 Oct #	\$7,180
27 Apr - 18 May #	\$7,180	21 Sep - 12 Oct #	\$7,180
04 May - 25 May	\$7,180	05 Oct - 26 Oct #	\$7,180
11 May - 01 Jun	\$7,180	07 Oct - 28 Oct #	\$7,180
18 May - 08 Jun	\$7,180	12 Oct - 02 Nov	\$6,880
25 May - 15 Jun	\$7,180	19 Oct - 09 Nov	\$6,880
01 Jun - 22 Jun	\$6,680	26 Oct - 16 Nov	\$5,980
15 Jun - 06 Jul	\$6,680	02 Nov - 23 Nov	\$5,980
06 Jul - 27 Jul	\$6,680		
2020 DATES			
02 Mar - 23 Mar	\$6,380	01 Aug - 22 Aug	\$7,080
14 Mar - 04 Apr	\$6,380	22 Aug - 12 Sep	\$7,080
21 Mar - 11 Apr	\$7,080	29 Aug - 19 Sep	\$7,080
28 Mar - 18 Apr	\$7,080	31 Aug - 21 Sep	\$7,080
04 Apr - 25 Apr	\$7,580	05 Sep - 26 Sep	\$7,080
11 Apr - 02 May #	\$7,580	12 Sep - 03 Oct #	\$7,580
25 Apr - 16 May #	\$7,580	19 Sep - 10 Oct #	\$7,580
02 May - 23 May #	\$7,580	03 Oct - 24 Oct #	\$7,580
09 May - 30 May	\$7,580	05 Oct - 26 Oct #	\$7,580
16 May - 06 Jun	\$7,580	10 Oct - 31 Oct	\$7,280
23 May - 13 Jun	\$7,580	17 Oct - 07 Nov	\$7,280
30 May - 20 Jun	\$7,080	24 Oct - 14 Nov	\$6,380
13 Jun - 04 Jul	\$7,080	31 Oct - 21 Nov	\$6,380

Important note

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Departure coincides with Golden Week celebrations and sightseeing may be affected.

Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB 930 (AU\$190) is paid locally in China.

CHINA ENCOUNTERS

23 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$6,680

FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM
SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE,
ADELAIDE OR PERTH

ALL MEALS


PHYSICAL RATING

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS


- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Watch Giant Pandas play
- ✓ Admire Chengde's architecture
- ✓ Discover Tiger Leaping Gorge
- ✓ Explore Tibetan Zhongdian

Explore the impressive 3000-metre-deep Tiger Leaping Gorge

PER PERSON **\$6,680**

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PHYSICAL RATING

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Watch Giant Pandas play
- ✓ Admire Chengde's architecture
- ✓ Discover Tiger Leaping Gorge
- ✓ Explore Tibetan Zhongdian

- 21 breakfasts, 20 lunches & 21 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in quality hotels
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders

- 23 days fully inclusive twin share from \$6,680 per person departing Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- For departures from other cities, please contact reservations for pricing and details
- Single Supplement from \$1,510 ask about our "Willing to Share" option
- Land only (Beijing to Kunming): 22 days from \$5,370 per person twin share.



The mysterious Buddhist kingdom of Tibet, locked away high in the Himalaya, offers magnificent monasteries and stunning views.

See page 112.
Price based on twin share.
Additional flight costs apply.

Explore the impressive 3000-metre-deep Tiger Leaping Gorge

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO BEIJING
Fly to Beijing, China's historical capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

This morning, head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square and stroll into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City where you will find a complex full of imperial riches. Later, soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape. Here, mingle with the locals and watch or participate as they practise Tai Chi, dance or play cards. This evening, sit down to a traditional dinner of Peking duck and enjoy an acrobatics show.

In the morning, enjoy the idyllic gardens of the Summer Palace before visiting the Jade Factory, then travel to Chengde by road.

The summer retreat of Manchu emperors, Chengde is home to a wealth of imperial architecture. Visit the magnificent Mountain Resort and sacred temples, including Puning and Putuo.

Make the return journey back to Beijing. This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight - the Jinshanling section of the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the sheer magnificence of the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that surrounds it.

Take a bullet train to Xian and enjoy some time at leisure. Tonight, feast on traditional Shui Jiao dumplings followed by a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first Emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors and horses. Visit the Xian Art Ceramics and Lacquer Workshop to see where the warriors are intricately recreated. Later this afternoon, take a stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th Century city walls that enclose Xian's old town. Explore the narrow and winding streets of the atmospheric Muslim Quarter, which are lined with Islamic food stalls. Here, you will gain an insight into the city's fascinating culture.

Take the bullet train to Wuhan and transfer to Yichang to board your Yangtze River Cruise vessel, home for the next four nights.

A man-made marvel, the Three Gorges Dam showcases this massive feat of engineering. But as you cruise upstream nature takes over, revealing some of the world's most dramatic scenery including the Three Gorges themselves. Over the next three days, prepare for one breathtaking panorama after another. Take a side trip to the attractive Goddess or Shennong stream and enjoy shore excursions to Shibaozhai or Fengdu.



Visit Chengde Mountain Resort



Discover Zhongdian, also known as Shangri-La

Disembark in Chongqing and explore Ciqikou, whose narrow streets are perfect for a stroll to admire the traditional architecture. Continue by road to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan Province.

Visit Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre to see and learn about China's celebrated bears up close in surroundings that mirror their natural habitat. Stroll through the bustling People's Park to Matchmaker's Corner, where parents search for worthy suitors for their children.

Fly to the monastery town of Zhongdian, also known as Shangri-La. This afternoon is at leisure to acclimatise to the altitude.

Spend the morning exploring the spectacular Songzanlin Monastery. Afterwards, make your way to a rural Tibetan-style village where you will learn about the villagers' way of life and taste home-cooked dishes. End the day with a tour of the old town and Dafo Temple.

Journey to the 3,000-metre-deep Tiger Leaping Gorge. With its backdrop of snow-capped mountains, it is one of China's most extraordinary sights. The whole area is spectacular – prepare for breathtaking views. Travel to Lijiang and discover the old quarter; the quintessential Chinese 'old town' and wander the jumble of cobbled streets, traditional wooden buildings and rustic stone bridges.

A magnificent mountain, the Jade Dragon Snow Mountain comprises several peaks, the tallest of which soars 5,500 metres. Taking a cable car, explore one of the stunning high meadows and enjoy the amazing vistas. Visit Baisha Old Town to view the fascinating frescoes painted during the early Ming Dynasty and take a tour of the Embroidery School.

This morning, visit Black Dragon Pool Park where there are wonderful views of Jade Dragon Snow Mountain. Later, travel to Dali and explore the lively Foreigners' Street.

The area surrounding Dali is extremely scenic. Explore the village of Xizhou to browse its local market. See the Yan family home and watch a tie-dying demonstration. Wander through Dali's Ancient Quarter and relax with a cruise on Erhai Lake. The next day, visit the Three Pagodas and travel by road to Kunming. This evening, dine on the local dish, Across the Bridge Noodles.

Explore the magnificent formations of the picturesque Stone Forest, where towering limestone pillars stand treelike in a fascinating illusion of woodland, before taking your seats to see the impressive 'Dynamic Yunnan' show.

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

CLASSIC

Embark on an epic cross-country journey, encountering China's most magnificent sights; from the imperial Mountain Resort of Chengde past the iconic Wall and enigmatic Warriors, to the stunning vistas of Yunnan Province.

2019 DATES			
06 Apr - 28 Apr	\$7,080	07 Sep - 29 Sep	\$6,680
04 May - 26 May	\$6,680	12 Oct - 03 Nov	\$7,080
2020 DATES			
04 Apr - 26 Apr	\$7,480	05 Sep - 27 Sep	\$7,080
02 May - 24 May #	\$7,080	10 Oct - 01 Nov	\$7,480

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Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB 1.090 (AU\$222) is paid locally in China.



Traditional Shui Jiao dumplings

GRAND TOUR OF CHINA

26 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$6,680

FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

ALL MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Watch Giant Pandas play
- ✓ Cruise on the Li River
- ✓ Four nights on the Yangtze
- ✓ Discover old China in Dali
- ✓ Stroll elegant gardens in Suzhou



Explore the Temple of Heaven in Beijing

PRICE INCLUDES

- 24 breakfasts, 23 lunches & 24 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in quality hotels
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders

PRICE GUIDE

- 26 days fully inclusive twin share from \$6,680 per person departing Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- For departures from other cities, please contact reservations for pricing and details
- Single Supplement from \$1,550 ask about our "Willing to Share" option
- Land only (Beijing to Shanghai): 25 days from \$5,710 per person twin share.

EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



HONG KONG IN FOCUS 4 DAYS FROM \$810pp

Hong Kong offers visitors a dynamic mix of the east and west, with over 150 years of colonial history and ageless Chinese traditions.

See page 118.

Price based on twin share. Additional flight costs apply.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA O BEIJING

Fly to Beijing, China's historical capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAYS 2-3: BEIJING & THE GREAT WALL

Visit Tiananmen Square and discover the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City before exploring Beijing's old hutongs where you can meet a local family and visit their home. This evening, eat traditional Peking duck. The next day, spend the morning taking a walk on the Great Wall and in the afternoon, enjoy a stroll through the idyllic gardens of the Summer Palace.

DAY 4: TEMPLE OF HEAVEN

In the morning, soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape and wander through the park, where you can mingle with the locals and watch or participate in Tai Chi or play cards. Later, take a bullet train to Xian.

DAYS 5-6: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

Visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda before wandering around the narrow alleys of the Muslim Quarter. Tonight, feast on traditional Shui Jiao dumplings before a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing. The next day, view the enigmatic ranks of warriors that make up the Terracotta Army of Emperor Qin Shi Huang. Later, stroll on Xian's beautifully preserved 14th Century city walls.

DAY 7: BOARD YOUR CRUISE

Fly to Wuhan and transfer to Yichang to board your Yangtze River cruise vessel.

DAYS 8-10: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

The Three Gorges Dam may be an impressive feat of engineering but as you cruise upstream nature takes over, revealing some of the world's most dramatic scenery including the Three Gorges themselves. Over the next three days prepare for one breathtaking panorama after another. Take a side trip to the attractive Goddess or Shennong Stream and enjoy a range of shore excursions.

DAY 11: OLD CIQIKOU

Disembark in Chongqing then explore old Ciqikou, whose narrow streets are perfect for a stroll to admire the traditional architecture. Transfer to Chengdu where tonight you will be served a traditional Sichuanese dinner.

DAY 12: GIANT PANDAS

Visit Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre to see and learn about these celebrated bears up close in surroundings that mirror their natural habitat. Later, fly to the pleasant city of Kunming.

DAY 13: STONE FOREST

Explore the fascinating limestone formations of the picturesque Stone Forest and tuck in to local delicacy, Across the Bridge Noodles, for dinner tonight.

DAYS 14-15: ENCHANTING DALI

Dali offers a peek of the China of times-gone-by. Over the next two days, visit the Three Pagodas, explore the Ancient Quarter, see the Yan Family House and travel to Xizhou village to browse around the local market. There will also be a cruise on Erhai Lake.



See the Terracotta Army in Xian

DAY 16: GUILIN

Transfer back to Kunming and fly to Guilin.

DAY 17: LI RIVER

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to charming Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view to take your breath away as jagged karst peaks loom over rural scenes of lush greenery and grazing buffalo.

DAY 18: YANGSHUO COUNTRYSIDE

Begin with a relaxing and invigorating session of Tai Chi, taking a class with a master to learn this ancient martial art. Explore the countryside and stop on the banks of the Li River for a photo opportunity with a cormorant fisherman. Enjoy time at leisure or choose one of the many optional activities available including cycling or bamboo rafting (at your own expense).

DAY 19: GUILIN

Return to Guilin and visit the Pearl Factory and Reed Flute Cave. Also stroll around Ronghu Lake and admire the Sun and Moon pagodas – two towering examples of traditional Chinese-Buddhist architecture.

DAYS 20-21: DISCOVER HANGZHOU

Fly to Hangzhou and visit the Temple of Inspired Seclusion. The next day, enjoy a cruise on West Lake and visit Xihutiandi before continuing to Suzhou.

DAY 22: SUZHOU

Suzhou's centre has managed to retain a sense of quaint charm. Renowned for its elegant gardens, visit one of the finest, the Humble Administrator's Garden – typical of the Chinese appreciation of balance and harmony. Also cruise on the Grand Canal.



Cruise West Lake in Hangzhou

DAY 23: SHANGHAI

Travel to the exuberant and cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. Visit Matchmaker's Corner, where parents search for worthy suitors for their children, the Shanghai Museum and People's Square. Later, enjoy a view of the glittering city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise. This evening, dine on a delicious meal of Shanghaiese cuisine.

DAY 24: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Shanghai is China's great metropolis, where east and west collide on streets lined with futuristic skyscrapers and 10th Century temples. Visit the Yu Garden, the old town, the Silk Factory and stroll along the Bund. End the evening with the ERA acrobatic show.

DAYS 25-26: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.



Explore charming Suzhou

GRAND TOUR OF CHINA

CLASSIC

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

This wide-ranging tour has China's top destinations covered. Whether you are looking for history, character and culture, the modern and marvellous, or a straight-up combination of the two, then this is the itinerary for you.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
15 Mar - 09 Apr	\$6,880	09 Aug - 03 Sep	\$6,880
29 Mar - 23 Apr	\$7,180	23 Aug - 17 Sep	\$6,880
05 Apr - 30 Apr	\$7,180	06 Sep - 01 Oct #	\$6,880
12 Apr - 07 May #	\$7,180	13 Sep - 08 Oct #	\$8,080
26 Apr - 21 May #	\$8,080	20 Sep - 15 Oct #	\$8,080
03 May - 28 May #	\$8,080	27 Sep - 22 Oct #	\$8,080
10 May - 04 Jun	\$8,080	11 Oct - 05 Nov	\$7,680
24 May - 18 Jun	\$7,680	18 Oct - 12 Nov	\$7,680
14 Jun - 09 Jul	\$7,680	25 Oct - 19 Nov	\$6,880
12 Jul - 06 Aug	\$7,680		

2020 DATES			
13 Mar - 07 Apr	\$7,280	07 Aug - 01 Sep	\$7,280
27 Mar - 21 Apr	\$7,580	21 Aug - 15 Sep	\$7,280
03 Apr - 28 Apr	\$7,580	04 Sep - 29 Sep	\$7,280
10 Apr - 05 May #	\$7,580	11 Sep - 06 Oct #	\$8,480
24 Apr - 19 May #	\$8,480	18 Sep - 13 Oct #	\$8,480
01 May - 26 May #	\$8,480	25 Sep - 20 Oct #	\$8,480
08 May - 02 Jun	\$8,480	09 Oct - 03 Nov	\$8,080
22 May - 16 Jun	\$8,080	16 Oct - 10 Nov	\$8,080
12 Jun - 07 Jul	\$8,080	23 Oct - 17 Nov	\$7,280
10 Jul - 04 Aug	\$8,080		

Important note

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Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB 1,140 (AU\$233) is paid locally in China.

WHY CHOOSE A SOLO TOUR?

When you're travelling without a companion, our new Solo tours are the perfect choice. In fact, up to 65% of our travellers join us 'solo', so we have plenty of experience in making your holiday unforgettable, bringing together a like-minded group of people to share the ultimate, inclusive tour experience.

ALL OUR SOLO TOURS INCLUDE

- International flights & taxes
- Expert National Escorts & Local Guides
- All accommodation in your own private room, with no single supplement due
- All or most meals
- All transportation
- Specialist advice from our travel consultants
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders

NOT WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING FOR?

Most tours have a 'willing to share' option. Ask your travel consultant for more information

TRAVEL WITH LIKE-MINDED PEOPLE

We take care to match you up with a group of other solo travellers who want to see the same sights and have the same experiences as you. You'll never be short of someone to take your photo, or swap stories at the end of the day.

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Our newest tour style, Solo tours give you the sense of support that comes from being a part of a group; yet you also have the comfort of your own guaranteed private room, and with no extra supplement to pay.

EXPERTLY GUIDED

Our experienced National Escorts create the perfect inclusive atmosphere for each group to discover India together, complete with group dinners, cultural experiences and fun activities to make the most of your holiday.

BE WHO YOU WANT TO BE

Going solo gives you the room to discover yourself. Start conversations with the locals, learn something new. Be a photographer, or an explorer. With all the travel arrangements taken care of, you're free to just be you.

SOLO TOURS	DAYS	PAGE	GREAT WALL	WARRIORS	PANDAS	YANGTZE	SHANGHAI	GUILIN
Charming China NEW	14 days	50	•	•			•	•
Captivating China NEW	14 days	52	•	•	•	•	•	



CHARMING CHINA

14 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$4,980

INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

MOST MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Discover the Forbidden City
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Explore friendly Yangshuo
- ✓ Cruise the tranquil Li River
- ✓ Admire Shanghai's bright lights



Admire the beautiful Guilin scenery

PRICE INCLUDES

- 12 breakfasts, 8 lunches & 5 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in quality hotels
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders

PRICE GUIDE

- 14 days inclusive from \$4,980 per person departing Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- For departures from other cities, please contact reservations for pricing and details
- Single room for sole use included
- Land only (Beijing to Shanghai): 13 days from \$3,780 per person.
- No single supplement payable on this tour

EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



BEYOND THE GREAT WALL 2 DAYS FROM \$1,340pp

Explore one of the less-visited and untouched parts of the Great Wall as you hike along the Jinshanling section of the wall.

See page 108.

Price based on sole traveller. Additional flight costs apply.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO BEIJING

Fly to China's historical capital, Beijing. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: THE GREAT WALL

Meet the group in the hotel lobby and together begin your first day of exploring China! We start with the iconic Great Wall, where we will take a walk on this incredible structure to truly appreciate its sheer magnificence and the dramatic scenery that surrounds it. This afternoon, stroll through the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace, discovering traditional Chinese gardens and exquisite architecture. Tonight, the group will dine on a local delicacy Peking Duck. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: FORBIDDEN CITY

Begin the day soaking up the harmonious ambience of the glorious Temple of Heaven, where we can mingle with the locals and watch or participate as they practise Tai Chi, dance or play cards. Together, we will take a ride through a traditional hutong neighbourhood on rickshaws, popping in to visit a family at home, to learn about living in the hutongs. We then head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square, before entering the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City to explore this complex full of imperial riches. (B,L)

DAY 4: BULLET TRAIN TO XIAN

Board the bullet train to the ancient city of Xian. On arrival, we will check into the hotel and freshen up before heading out for a traditional Shui Jiao dumpling dinner and a lively Tang Dynasty dance show. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. We spend the morning admiring the enigmatic ranks of warriors and horses, before stopping by the workshop of the craftsmen who recreate Terracotta Warriors in the style of their ancient counterparts. Later, the group will stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th Century city walls that enclose Xian's old town. (B,L)

DAY 6: TRAVEL TO GUILIN

Fly to the city of Guilin. Stroll around Ronghu Lake and see the Sun and Moon pagodas – two towering examples of traditional Chinese-Buddhist architecture. We will also take a walk down Guilin's pedestrian street that is lined with shops and restaurants. (B,L)

DAY 7: LI RIVER CRUISE

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River. Around every river bend is a view to take our breath away, as jagged karst peaks loom over rural scenes of lush greenery, grazing buffalo and local fishermen. Arriving in the charming town of Yangshuo, we will have a look around the local markets and stroll along West Street together to get our bearings. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: EXPLORE YANGSHUO

The day begins with a shared Tai Chi experience before heading out into Yangshuo's breathtaking surroundings, exploring the landscapes of emerald-green paddy fields and dramatic limestone karsts. The afternoon is at leisure to relax or enjoy one of the many optional activities available, such as cycling, walking or bamboo rafting (at your own expense). (B)



Stroll Xian's ancient UNESCO listed City Wall

DAY 9: CORMORANT FISHERMEN

We head back to Guilin by road, stopping en route on the banks of the Li River for a photo opportunity with a cormorant fisherman. Also visit the South China Pearl Factory which covers the fascinating 1,700 year old history of pearling and see the many displays and demonstrations on offer. (B,L)

DAY 10: FLY TO SHANGHAI

Take a short flight to the exuberant and cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. This evening, we will get an alternative view of Shanghai with a panoramic cruise on the Huangpu River that flows through the heart of the city. (B,D)

DAY 11: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

This morning, the group will visit the peaceful Yu Garden, pass through the charming old town and visit the Silk Factory.



Watch the ERA show in Shanghai

After lunch together, the afternoon is at leisure to relax or further explore this bustling city. This evening, we will all head to Shanghai Circus World to see the spectacular ERA Show, a mesmerising display of martial arts and acrobatics. (B,L)

DAY 12: SHANGHAI AT LEISURE

Today is a free day to spend in Shanghai as you wish. Choose to further explore this city with your new-found friends or choose from optional tours (at your own expense) including a ride on the super speedy Maglev train or ascend Jin Mao Tower. This evening, the group will meet for a final dinner together, where we can reflect on the adventure we've shared. (B,D)

DAYS 13-14: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B)

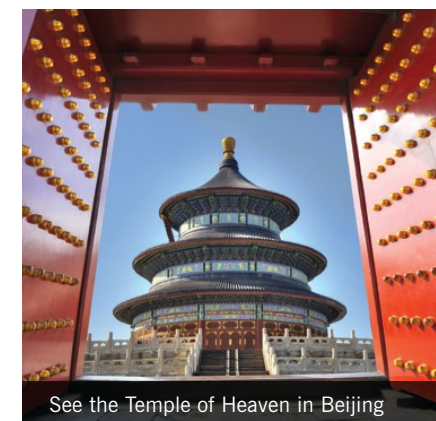


View of the downtown Shanghai Skyline

SOLO

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

You can experience the history of imperial Beijing to the bright lights of modern Shanghai, enjoy the very best China has to offer with time at leisure to further explore this fascinating country with your new-found friends.



See the Temple of Heaven in Beijing

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
05 May - 18 May	\$4,980	06 Oct - 19 Oct #	\$4,980
08 Sep - 21 Sep	\$4,980	22 Dec - 04 Jan	\$5,600
2020 DATES			
03 May - 16 May #	\$5,280	11 Oct - 24 Oct	\$5,280
06 Sep - 19 Sep	\$5,280	24 Dec - 06 Jan	\$5,900

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NEW

CAPTIVATING CHINA

14 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$5,530

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MOST MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Discover the Forbidden City
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Cruise the Yangtze River
- ✓ See Shanghai's bright lights

PRICE INCLUDES

- 12 breakfasts, 10 lunches & 7 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in quality hotels
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders

PRICE GUIDE

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- Single room for sole use included
- Land only (Beijing to Shanghai): 13 days from \$4,480 per person.
- No single supplement payable on this tour

EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



DISCOVER YUNNAN 10 DAYS FROM \$4,550pp

Yunnan Province is home to the most ethnic minority groups in China where you will see vast and stunning landscapes and intriguing cultural attractions.

See page 112.

Price based on sole traveller. Additional flight costs apply.



See the adorable pandas in Chengdu

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO BEIJING

Fly overnight to China's historical capital, Beijing. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: FORBIDDEN CITY

Meet the group in the hotel lobby and together begin your first day of exploring China! We start in Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square, before entering the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City to explore this complex full of imperial riches. Together, we will then take a ride through a traditional hutong neighbourhood on rickshaws, popping in to visit a family at home for lunch and to learn about life in the hutongs. This afternoon, soak up the harmonious ambience of the glorious Temple of Heaven, where we can mingle with the locals and watch or participate as they practise Tai Chi, dance or play cards. Tonight, the group will dine on a local delicacy Peking Duck. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight - the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate its sheer magnificence and dramatic scenery that surrounds it. This afternoon, stroll through the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace, discovering traditional Chinese gardens and see the exquisite architecture. (B,L)

DAY 4: LITTLE WILD GOOSE PAGODA

Fly to the ancient city of Xian. We start at the lovely Little Wild Goose Pagoda, where the group will try 'Guohua', traditional Chinese painting with black ink, to decorate a fan.

Next, we will stroll through the atmospheric Muslim Quarter, browsing the food stalls and learning about the significant importance of this city as the start of the Silk Road. This evening, enjoy a delicious feast of traditional Shui Jiao dumplings followed by a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. We spend the morning admiring the enigmatic ranks of the life-size warriors and horses, before stopping by the workshop of the craftsmen who recreate Terracotta Warriors in the style of their ancient counterparts. Later, we will enjoy a stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th Century city walls that enclose Xian's old town. (B,L)

DAY 6: BULLET TRAIN TO CHENGDU

As a group we will take the bullet train to the city of Chengdu, the capital of Sichuan province. On arrival, we will take a walk through People's Park and visit the fascinating Matchmaker's Corner where parents search for worthy suitors for their children. Enjoy a delicious Sichuanese meal for dinner. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: GIANT PANDAS

A visit this morning to Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre allows us to learn about China's famous bears and we also get a chance to see them up close as they munch through piles of bamboo and play. We then continue to Chongqing where we will board our Yangtze River Cruise vessel. (B,L,D)



See Shanghai's bright lights

DAYS 8-9: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

Over the next three days as we cruise downstream, we will pass through some of China's most celebrated scenery - be prepared for one breathtaking panorama after another. Join side trips and shore excursions, ending with the Three Gorges Dam, a massive and impressive feat of engineering. (B,L,D)

DAY 10: FLY TO SHANGHAI

Disembark the cruise vessel in Yichang and transfer to Wuhan; from here we fly to the exuberant and cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. (B,L)

DAY 11: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

This morning, the group will visit the peaceful Yu Garden, old town, Silk Factory and stroll along the Bund. After lunch together, the afternoon is at your leisure.

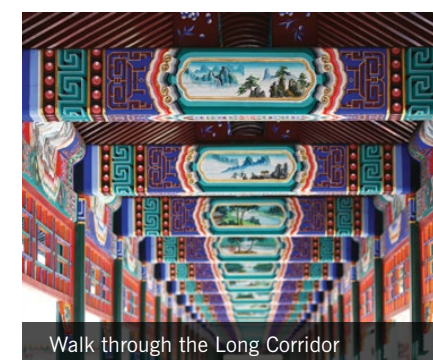
This evening, we will all head to see the spectacular ERA Show, a mesmerising display of martial arts and acrobatics. (B,L)

DAY 12: HUANGPU RIVER CRUISE

Today is a free day to spend in Shanghai as you wish. Choose to further explore this city on your own or with your new-found friends or choose from optional tours (at your own expense) including a ride on the super speedy Maglev train or ascend Jin Mao Tower. This evening the group will meet for a panoramic cruise on the Huangpu River before a final dinner together where we can reflect on the adventure we've shared. (B,D)

DAYS 13-14: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B)



Walk through the Long Corridor



Enjoy side trips on the Yangtze River

CAPTIVATING CHINA

SOLO

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

This tour combines the history of Beijing with the pandas in Chengdu, the Warriors in Xian, the bustle of Shanghai and a three night Yangtze River cruise giving you the very best China has to offer on this tour exclusively for solo travellers.



Enjoy delicious local food

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
14 Apr - 27 Apr	\$5,730	13 Oct - 26 Oct	\$5,730
15 Sep - 28 Sep	\$5,530		
2020 DATES			
12 Apr - 25 Apr	\$6,030	11 Oct - 24 Oct	\$6,030
13 Sep - 26 Sep	\$5,830		

Important note

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Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB 600 (AU\$122) is paid locally in China.



IMMERSE YOURSELF CHINA TOURS

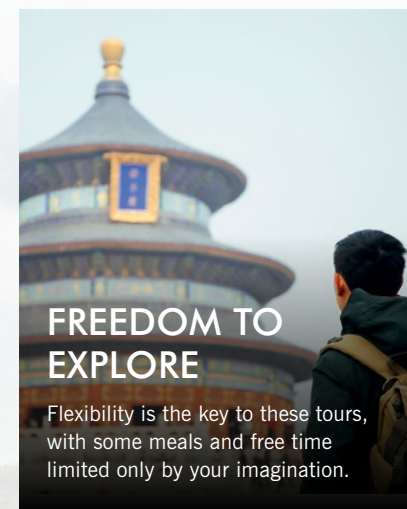
For the traveller who likes to delve deeper and experience it all, the extra flexibility of our Immerse Yourself tours will give you the opportunity to explore, to seek out the China of your dreams – and beyond.

WHY CHOOSE AN IMMERSE YOURSELF TOUR?

Combining the fun and convenience of group touring with the freedom to follow your own bliss from time to time, these tours add an extra element of adventure to your holiday to the China and beyond.

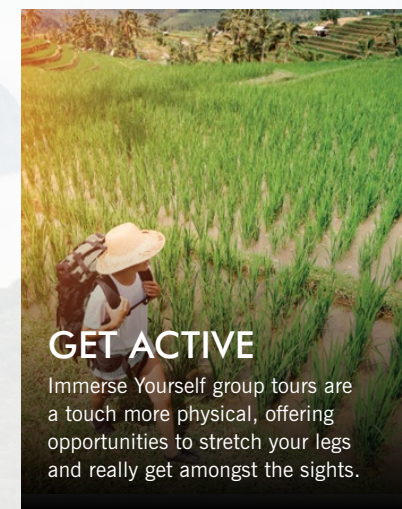
ALL OUR IMMERSE YOURSELF TOURS INCLUDE

- International flights & taxes
- Unique cultural experiences
- Expert National Escorts & Local Guides
- Small group sizes (maximum 18 guests)
- All accommodation
- All or most meals
- All transportation
- Specialist advice from our travel consultants
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



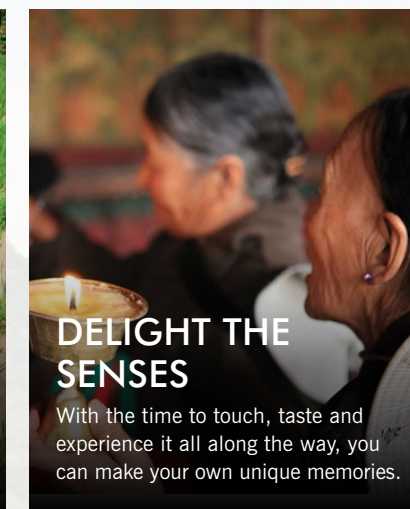
FREEDOM TO EXPLORE

Flexibility is the key to these tours, with some meals and free time limited only by your imagination.



GET ACTIVE

Immerse Yourself group tours are a touch more physical, offering opportunities to stretch your legs and really get amongst the sights.



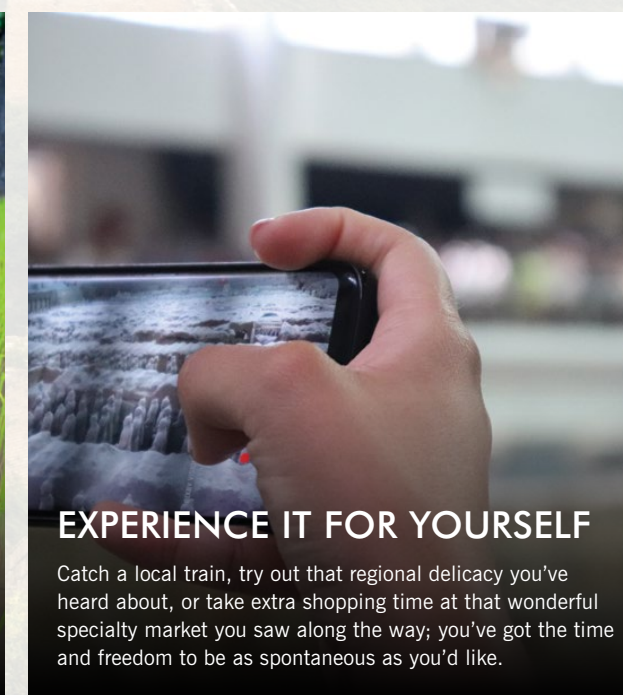
DELIGHT THE SENSES

With the time to touch, taste and experience it all along the way, you can make your own unique memories.



VENTURE BEYOND THE BEATEN PATH

These itineraries seek out more than the main sights, with unique, sometimes exclusive local encounters and cultural experiences that make the difference between a great holiday and a truly amazing one.



EXPERIENCE IT FOR YOURSELF

Catch a local train, try out that regional delicacy you've heard about, or take extra shopping time at that wonderful specialty market you saw along the way; you've got the time and freedom to be as spontaneous as you'd like.

IMMERSE YOURSELF TOURS	DAYS	PAGE	GREAT WALL	WARRIORS	PANDAS	YANGTZE	GUILIN	YUNNAN	BEYOND CHINA
China Explorer	15 days	58	Trekking	●	●	●			
Sichuan Explorer	15 days	60			●				
A China Adventure	17 days	62	Trekking	●	●		●		
Yunnan Adventure	17 days	64						●	
Enchanting China	17 days	66	●	●	●	●			
Himalayan Adventure	21 days	68			●				●
China Trailblazer	21 days	70	Trekking	●	●	●	●		
Land of the Dragon	21 days	72	●	●	●	●	●		
Dreams of Nature	23 days	74			●	●	●		
Tibetan Wonders	24 days	76			●			●	●
Silk Road Explorer	28 days	78	●	●					●
China: The Big One	28 days	80	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Mongolia & the Naadam Festival	23 days	84							●
Road to Samarkand	24 days	86							●
Ancient Lands of Central Asia	26 days	88							●

CHINA EXPLORER

15 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$5,280

INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

MOST MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING 4

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Hike the Great Wall
- ✓ Conquer Jinji Rope Bridge
- ✓ Cycle Xian's city wall
- ✓ Visit pandas in Dujiangyan
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Three nights on the Yangtze



Explore the beautiful grounds of the Summer Palace in Beijing

PRICE INCLUDES

- 12 breakfasts, 11 lunches & 9 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in quality hotels
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders

PRICE GUIDE

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- Land only (Beijing to Shanghai): 14 days from \$4,180 per person twin share.

EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



GUILIN, YANGSHUO & LONGJI SHORT STAY 5 DAYS FROM \$750pp

The Li River flows languidly through a landscape of karst towers and tranquil rural scenes. Both the city of Guilin and town of Yangshuo nestle amongst this glorious scenery whilst the iconic Longji rice terraces are just a short trip away.

See page 111.

Price based on twin share. Additional flight costs apply.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO BEIJING

Fly to Beijing, China's historical capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: FORBIDDEN CITY AND SUMMER PALACE WALK

Begin today in Beijing's symbolic heart with a stroll across Tiananmen Square into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. Entering through the Gate of Supreme Harmony, you will find a complex full of imperial treasures which offers an unsurpassed insight into China's colourful past. Spend the afternoon strolling through the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace and admire the Chinese architecture, followed by a walk up Longevity Hill to enjoy the panoramic views. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: TEMPLE OF HEAVEN & BEIJING'S HUTONGS

Arrive early and soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape. Here, mingle with the locals and watch or participate as they start their day practising Tai Chi, dancing and playing cards. Next, visit Yandaixiejie, where you will have some free time to wander around the hutongs. These narrow alleys offer an authentic glimpse of the old Beijing before the emergence of high-rise buildings and modern commerce. Enjoy lunch at the hutongs before driving to the Simatai section of the Great Wall, staying overnight in Gubei Watertown. Ride up to the apex of the Wall by cable car to see the sunset. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: HIKE THE GREAT WALL

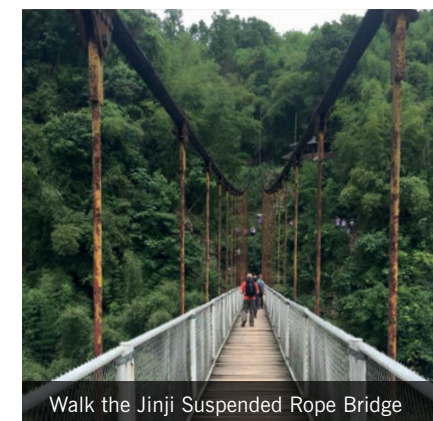
Travel to the Great Wall at Jinshanling, a section that is much less frequented by tourists than other parts. The stark yet magnificent surroundings allow you to put yourself in the shoes of those who walked this incredible structure hundreds of years ago. Your trek will last approximately four hours as the wall courses through dramatic landscapes and rugged terrain. Later, head back to Beijing and enjoy the evening at leisure. (B,L)

DAY 5: EXPLORE XIAN

Fly to Xian, the former ancient capital and enjoy a walking tour of the narrow and winding streets of the Muslim Quarter. Sample the delicious, freshly cooked snacks and gain an insight into the city's fascinating culture and significance as the start of the Silk Road. Enjoy the evening at leisure or take an optional fountain and light show and be dazzled by the city at night (at your own expense). (B,L,D)

DAY 6: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

Housed in three immense hangars, the ranks of the Terracotta Army stand sentinel in their subterranean necropolis, constructed to protect China's first Emperor in the afterlife. Spend the morning gazing over the ranks of warriors and horses, each one unique, whilst your guide introduces you to these life-like soldiers' fascinating story. Also visit the workshop of the craftsmen who recreate the Terracotta Warriors in the style of their ancient counterparts. Later, enjoy a gentle cycle ride on the beautifully preserved 14th century city walls that enclose Xian's old town, then enjoy the evening at leisure. (B,L)



Walk the Jinji Suspended Rope Bridge



Trek the Jinshanling section of the Great Wall

DAY 7: PINGLE ANCIENT TOWN

Jump on the bullet train to Chengdu and drive to Pingle Ancient Town. Dating back to the Han Dynasty, Pingle was a stopping point on the Tea Horse Road. Take time to walk through its maze of teahouse lined streets before walking through Jinji's dense bamboo forest, then see the forest and gorge from above by crossing Jinji Suspended Rope Bridge. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: DUJIANGYAN PANDA BASE

Return to Chengdu and visit one of the world's finest panda conservation centres. Here, the pandas are kept in conditions very close to their natural habitat. Later, ascend Mt Qingcheng, the most sacred Taoist mountain in China, by cable car. It is a truly beautiful area with numerous lush, green peaks and secluded temples. Take a stroll among the mystic scenery of Yuecheng Lake. (L,D)

DAY 9: ANCIENT CIQIKOU

Drive to Chongqing and visit the charming old town of Ciqikou – there's time to wander the cobbled alleyways and learn about its colourful history. Later, board your Yangtze Cruise vessel. (B,D)

DAYS 10-11: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

As you cruise downstream, nature takes over, revealing some of the world's most dramatic scenery including the Three Gorges themselves. Over the next two days, prepare for one breathtaking panorama after another. Enjoy shore excursions to Shibaozhai or Fengdu and side trips to Goddess or Shennong Stream. This is a chance to get a glimpse of life on the river banks. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: THREE GORGES DAM

Disembark your cruise vessel in Yichang and visit the Three Gorges Dam. Travel to Wuhan then fly to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai. (B,L)

DAY 13: SHANGHAI SHANGHAI

Wake up to the buzz of Shanghai and take a breakfast walking tour through the city's most fascinating districts, marvelling at monuments and rickety buildings before enjoying breakfast as the locals do – sample pancakes, fried bread sticks and tofu. Visit the Yu Garden, the old town and the Silk Factory before taking an evening stroll along the Bund and enjoying a farewell dinner of authentic Shanghaiese cuisine. In the evening, enjoy a cruise along the Huangpu River, serenaded by the neon lights of Pudong. (B,L,D)

DAYS 14-15: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B)

IMMERSE YOURSELF

ACTIVE

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

On this trip you'll experience the classic sights of China in an active and immersive way. Hike on the Great Wall at Jinshanling, discover ancient towns and meet the pandas in Dujiangyan. There's also time for a relaxing Yangtze cruise.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
08 Apr - 22 Apr	\$5,880	02 Sep - 16 Sep	\$5,280
06 May - 20 May	\$5,280	16 Sep - 30 Sep	\$5,280
20 May - 03 Jun	\$5,280	07 Oct - 21 Oct #	\$5,880
2020 DATES			
06 Apr - 20 Apr	\$6,180	07 Sep - 21 Sep	\$5,580
04 May - 18 May	\$5,580	14 Sep - 28 Sep	\$5,580
18 May - 01 Jun	\$5,580	05 Oct - 19 Oct #	\$6,180

Important note

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Departure coincides with Golden Week celebrations and sightseeing may be affected.

Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB 900 (AU\$184) is paid locally in China.



Explore China's hidden treasures

SICHUAN EXPLORER

15 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$4,580

INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

MOST MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Ascend Mt Emei
- ✓ Visit Pandas at Dujiangyan
- ✓ Find peace at Mt Qingcheng
- ✓ Explore Wulong National Park
- ✓ See gorges, cliffs, waterfalls
- ✓ Marvel at Leshan's Grand Buddha



Explore UNESCO World Heritage listed Wulong

PRICE INCLUDES

- 13 breakfasts, 12 lunches & 11 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in quality hotels
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders

PRICE GUIDE

- 15 days inclusive twin share from \$4,580 per person departing Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Single supplement from \$565 ask about our "Willing to Share" option
- For departures from other cities, please contact reservations for pricing and details
- Land only (Chengdu to Chengdu): 14 days from \$3,290 per person twin share.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO CHENGDU

Fly to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan province. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: LESHAN GRAND BUDDHA

Travel to Leshan to see the 71-metre high UNESCO listed Grand Buddha. Completed in the year 803, it is said that the Buddha's presence has calmed the turbulent waters of the river. View the Buddha from above before climbing down the cliff for a closer view. A short boat trip will give an even better perspective. Continue to Mount Emei and spend the evening at the foot of the mountain. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: EXPLORE MOUNT EMEI

Mount Emei is the cradle of the Buddhist religion in China with the first temple built on its peak in the 1st Century. Admire the striking and diverse natural beauty of the mountain and spend the day soaking up the ambience and exploring. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: MENGDIINGSHAN

Journey to Mengdingshan. Explore the vast stretch of tea bushes and take a tour of a plantation, where you will be shown the whole process of producing tea, from plucking the leaves to brewing the perfect cup. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: PINGLE ANCIENT TOWN

Dating back to the Han Dynasty, Pingle was a stopping point on the Tea Horse Road. Take time to walk through its maze of teahouse-lined streets before seeing the bamboo forest from above on Jinji Suspended Rope Bridge. Return to Chengdu. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: DUJIANGYAN PANDA BASE

Visit one of the world's finest panda conservation centres in Dujiangyan where you will gain a real insight into the hard work that goes into caring for and boosting the population of this endangered species. The pandas here are kept in conditions very close to their natural habitat. Spend some time watching the pandas play and chomp on bamboo. Later, visit the Dujiangyan Irrigation System, an infrastructure constructed in 256BC and still used today to irrigate 5,300 square kilometres of land. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: TAOIST MOUNT QINGCHENG

Mt Qingcheng is the most important Taoist holy mountain in China. It is also a truly beautiful spot with numerous peaks covered with lush greenery and secluded temples. You will be welcomed by a Taoist priest at the Old Master Pavilion on the summit of Mt Qingcheng. Take the opportunity to speak to him and learn about his religion. You will also be shown the art of Chinese painting and calligraphy. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: CHENGDU

Return to Chengdu and enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: WULONG

Travel by bullet train to Chongqing then continue by road to Wulong – an area of stunning natural scenery with towering limestone karsts, deep gorges, caves and natural bridges. Its remote location has ensured that the park is relatively un-spoilt. It comes as no surprise that Wulong is a UNESCO World Heritage site. (B,L,D)



Marvel at the Grand Buddha in Leshan



Learn the process of tea production in Mengdingshan

DAY 10: THREE BRIDGES NATIONAL PARK & LONGSHUIXIA

Today, visit Three Bridges National Park, a rare geological wonder consisting of three natural karst bridges: Tianlong Bridge, Qinglong Bridge and Heilong Bridge. Continue to Longshuixia Fissure, a narrow fault line that has been carved out by the river. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: HEISHAN VALLEY

Before returning to Chongqing, spend time at Heishan (Black Mountain) Valley, a scenic area enveloped by mysterious fog. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: CHONGQING

Today, visit charming Ciqikou which is lined with small shops selling delicious snacks, trinkets and curios and then take a stroll through Erlin Gardens followed by a visit to the General Stilwell Museum. Later, board the bullet train to Chengdu. (B,L)

DAY 13: LOCAL CHENGDU

Spend the morning absorbing the culture of People's Park. People-watching here is an endless pleasure and visit Matchmaker's Corner where parents search for suitors for their children. Also stop at a local teahouse and wander through the Wide and Narrow Alleys. In the evening, enjoy a delicious Sichuanese hot pot dinner. (B,L,D)

DAYS 14-15: FLY CHENGDU TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B)



See the adorable Giant Pandas in Duijiangyan

IMMERSE YOURSELF

GO BEYOND

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

Sichuan contrasts markedly from the rest of China, with differing attitudes, cuisine and spectacular landscapes. This never fails to take your breath away. A good level of fitness is required for this tour!

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
06 May - 20 May	\$4,780	07 Oct - 21 Oct #	\$4,580
02 Sep - 16 Sep	\$4,580		
2020 DATES			
04 May - 18 May	\$5,080	05 Oct - 19 Oct #	\$4,880
07 Sep - 21 Sep	\$4,880		

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Sichuanese Hot Pot

+ EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



TIBETAN SHORT STAY 6 DAYS FROM \$2,270pp

The mysterious Buddhist kingdom of Tibet, locked away high in the Himalaya, offers magnificent monasteries and stunning views.

See page 112.

Price based on twin share. Additional flight costs apply.

A CHINA ADVENTURE

17 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$5,780

INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

MOST MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Hike the Great Wall
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Stay in Pingle ancient town
- ✓ Ramble Longji's rice terraces
- ✓ Cycle Yangshuo's countryside
- ✓ Conquer Jinji Rope Bridge



Walk the Great Wall from Gubeikou to Jinshanling

PRICE INCLUDES

- 14 breakfasts, 14 lunches & 8 dinners
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- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in quality hotels
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
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EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



PURE YANGTZE 5 DAYS FROM \$690pp

Relax over four nights cruising on the Yangtze. Explore the Three Gorges – Qutang, Wu and Xiling. Visit the colossal dam and enjoy daily shore excursions.

See page 106.

Price based on twin share. Additional flight costs apply.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO BEIJING

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DAY 2: FORBIDDEN CITY AND SUMMER PALACE WALK

Stroll across Tiananmen Square into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. Walking through this ornately designed complex offers an unsurpassed insight into China's colourful past. Continue to the Summer Palace and explore the magnificent grounds, before taking a short hike up Longevity Hill to enjoy panoramic views. Stop for a photo at the Olympic Stadium before dinner. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: BEIJING'S HUTONGS

Arrive early for a visit to the Temple of Heaven and mingle with the locals as they start their day with Tai Chi, dancing and card playing in a flurry of sociable activity you would never see in a park at home. Next, visit Yandaixiejie, where you will have some free time to wander around the hutongs. These narrow alleys offer an authentic glimpse of the old Beijing before the emergence of high-rise buildings and modern commerce. Enjoy lunch in the hutongs before driving to the Simatai section of the Great Wall, staying overnight in Gubei Watertown. Ride up to the apex of the Wall by cable car to see the sunset. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: HIKE THE GREAT WALL

Take a short transfer to Gubeikou to begin your full day hike to Jinshanling. Lasting approximately six hours, this is one of the

wildest and most scenic section-to-section hikes of the Great Wall. Your path will traverse ancient and rugged landscapes, going off-wall for some time to navigate around a Chinese military base. Later, return to Beijing. (B,L)

DAY 5: EXPLORE XIAN

Fly to Xian, the ancient former capital. Explore the narrow and winding streets of the Muslim Quarter, which are lined with Islamic food stalls and gain an insight into the city's fascinating culture and significance as the start of the Silk Road. (B,L)

DAY 6: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS AND CYCLING ON THE CITY WALL

Housed in three immense hangars, the ranks of the Terracotta Army stand sentinel in their subterranean necropolis, constructed to protect China's first Emperor in the afterlife. Gaze over the warriors and horses, each one unique, whilst your guide introduces you to their fascinating story. Continue to the ancient city wall for a cycle on the fortifications surrounding the heart of the city. Tonight, dine on traditional Shui Jiao dumplings. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: TRAVEL TO PINGLE

Take the bullet train to Chengdu and then drive to Pingle Ancient Town. Dating back to the Han Dynasty, Pingle was a stopping point on the Tea Horse Road. (B,L)

DAY 8: PINGLE ANCIENT TOWN

Enjoy a morning at leisure. You may wish to take a walk through Pingle's maze of teahouse lined streets. Later, see Sichuan's expansive bamboo forest from above on Jinji Suspended Rope Bridge. Drive back to Chengdu. (L,D)



Explore picturesque Yangshuo



Hike the rice terraces in Longji

DAY 9: DUJIANGYAN PANDA BASE

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DAY 10: JOURNEY TO PING'AN

Fly to beautiful Guilin before transferring to Ping'an for an overnight stay. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: RICE TERRACES HIKE

Wake up to stunning views of the misty, stepped hills of Longji. Today's full day hike among the terraces will take you past small hamlets and picture-postcard views of the rice terraces which cover the landscape in intricate patterns. Whether full of water or bursting with rice plants, a walk in Longji provides an unforgettable experience of rural China. Return to Guilin where the evening is at leisure. (B,L)

DAY 12: LI RIVER CRUISE

Take a gentle cruise along the Li River to Yangshuo. Lined with the most dramatic and imposing limestone cliffs on the planet, the serenity of life on the riverbanks is a wonderful sight. This evening, there is an option to be wowed by the light spectacular 'Liu Sanjie', a dramatic water-based show set on the Li River (at your own expense). (B,L,D)

DAY 13: TAI CHI, CYCLING OR RAFTING

Start the day with a relaxing yet invigorating session of Tai Chi, taking a class with a master to learn this ancient martial art. This afternoon, there is the option of riding a bicycle through the countryside or joining an optional bamboo rafting trip along the Yulong River (at your own expense) – another chance to really soak up the unspoiled surroundings and explore every corner of this exquisite location. (B,L)

DAY 14: HUANGPU RIVER CRUISE

Return by road to Guilin and spend some time exploring the colourful stalactites and stalagmites at Reed Flute Cave before flying to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. This evening, cruise down the Huangpu River, serenaded by the neon lights of Pudong. (B,L)

DAY 15: SHANGHAI SHANGHAI

Wake up to the buzz of Shanghai and take a breakfast walking tour between shimmering skyscrapers and traditional streets. Walk through the city's most fascinating districts, marvelling at monuments and rickety buildings before enjoying breakfast as the locals do – sample pancakes, fried bread sticks and tofu. Visit Yu Garden, the old town and the Silk Factory before taking an evening stroll along the Bund. Enjoy a farewell dinner of authentic Shanghainese cuisine. (B,L,D)

DAYS 16-17: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B)

A CHINA ADVENTURE

IMMERSE YOURSELF

ACTIVE

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

On this tour you'll trek across two sections of the Great Wall, hike through rice terraces to discover remote villages and explore the beautiful Yangshuo countryside. You will need a good level of fitness for this active and scenic tour.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
13 Apr - 29 Apr	\$6,140	14 Sep - 30 Sep	\$5,780
11 May - 27 May	\$5,780	12 Oct - 28 Oct	\$6,140
31 Aug - 16 Sep	\$5,780		
2020 DATES			
11 Apr - 27 Apr	\$6,440	12 Sep - 28 Sep	\$6,080
09 May - 25 May	\$6,080	10 Oct - 26 Oct	\$6,440
29 Aug - 14 Sep	\$6,080		

Important note

Above prices include airline fuel surcharges and taxes. Correct as at 12-Sep-18 and subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart/and or arrive on Day 2 or require extra nights pre or post tour accommodation or stopovers at additional cost.

Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB 860 (AU\$176) is paid locally in China.



Breakfast pancakes in Shanghai

YUNNAN ADVENTURE

16 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$5,080

INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

MOST MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Meet the Bai people
- ✓ Meditate on Weibaoshan
- ✓ Admire Tiger Leaping Gorge
- ✓ Discover the past in Jianshui
- ✓ Meet a Shaman master
- ✓ Hike Yuanyang's Terraces

PRICE INCLUDES

- 14 breakfasts, 12 lunches & 8 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in quality hotels
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders

PRICE GUIDE

- 17 days inclusive twin share from \$5,080 per person departing Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Single supplement from \$880 ask about our "Willing to Share" option
- For departures from other cities, please contact reservations for pricing and details
- Land only (Kunming to Kunming): 15 days from \$3,840 per person twin share.

EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



SHANGHAI SHORT STAY 3 DAYS FROM \$470pp

Shanghai grew in importance in the 19th Century due to its favourable location. Today it presents a blend of cultures - the modern and the traditional - along with the European and Oriental.

See page 110.

Price based on twin share.
Additional flight costs apply.



Spend time exploring rural Shangri-La

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY AUSTRALIA TO KUNMING

Fly to the relaxed city of Kunming. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: STONE FOREST

This morning, meander through the formations of the UNESCO listed Stone Forest, where towering limestone pillars stand treelike in a fascinating illusion of woodland. Enjoy a local lunch. Return to Kunming and in the evening, sample the local delicacy, Across the Bridge Noodles. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: TRAVEL TO DALI

Drive to Dali, a charming town that offers a peek into bygone China. Wander the Ancient Quarter and see the magnificent Three Pagodas. (B,L)

DAY 5: MEDITATION ON A MOUNTAIN

Journey to Weibaoshan, one of the fourteen sacred Taoist mountains. Steeped in legend, the mountain features 20 Taoist temples nestled on its wooded slopes. Walk up the forested hillside to see a handful of these intricately decorated temples, stopping at Qingxia Temple where you will be met by a Taoist priest for a relaxing meditation session. The evening is at leisure. (B,L)

DAY 6: SHAXI ANCIENT TOWN

Drive to Shaxi Ancient Town, nestled deep in the Himalayan foothills. Learn about the fascinating minority people that reside in the area and enjoy a local lunch. In the afternoon, continue to Lijiang and have some free time to explore the old town, a jumble of cobbled streets, charming wooden buildings and rustic stone bridges. (B,L)

DAY 7: MEET A SHAMAN MASTER

Take a chairlift to one of the Jade Dragon Snow Mountain's gorgeous meadows and enjoy amazing vistas of this magnificent mountain. Continue to Baisha Naxi Village and meet a Dongba Shaman who will demonstrate how to write ancient Dongba characters, before you attempt this quirky artform yourself. Tonight, sample traditional Naxi cuisine. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: TIGER LEAPING GORGE

Visit the Black Dragon Pool Park for magnificent views of the Jade Dragon Snow Mountain and then travel to the 3,000 metre deep Tiger Leaping Gorge. With its backdrop of snowcapped mountains, it is one of China's most extraordinary sights. The whole area is spectacular, so prepare yourself for some breathtaking views. Continue to the Tibetan monastery town of Zhongdian, also known as Shangri-La. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: RURAL SHANGRI-LA

Visit Songzanlin Monastery before embarking on a 2-3 hour walk to Napa Hai. Here, you will be surrounded by towering mountains and lush grasslands that are brimming with flora and fauna. Continue to a rural Tibetan-style village, where you will meet a local family and learn about the villagers' way of life. Try your hand at making butter tea and taste home-cooked dishes. Return to Shangri-La. (B,L,D)

DAY 10: EXPLORE SHANGRI-LA

Spend the morning wandering through the town, absorbing its fascinating mix of Tibetan and Han Chinese culture. Visit Dafo Temple and enjoy the afternoon at leisure. (B,L)



Meet a shaman master



Visit Songzanlin Temple

DAY 11: KUNMING

Fly to Kunming. Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. (B)

DAY 12: TRAVEL TO JIANSHUI

Travel to Tonghai and visit the unique Xingmeng Mongolian village, where the residents wear traditional costumes and keep old customs alive. After a stroll around Tonghai market, continue to the antiquated town of Jianshui for an overnight stay and visit the Confucius Temple, one of the largest in China. (B,L,D)

DAY 13: YUANYANG MARKET

Visit the Zhang Garden before travelling south to Yuanyang. Explore the bustling market, full of fresh produce and locals in traditional, colourful costume. (B,L,D)

DAY 14: YUANYANG RICE TERRACES

Created by the Hani people over hundreds of years, this wide, watery expanse is a spectacular sight to behold. Described as 'land sculpture' in China, the elements turn the terraces into pools of colour that reflect their mood, whether it's the reds and yellows of sunrise or the whites and greys of a mist settling over the valley. Hike through the terraces, visiting Hani ethnic villages such as Qingkou and Bada on your way. (B,L,D)

DAY 15: LENDUN VILLAGE MARKET

Travel back to Kunming via Lendun Village Market. (B,L,D)

DAYS 16-17: FLY KUNMING TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B)



Hike through Yuanyang rice terraces

YUNNAN ADVENTURE

IMMERSE YOURSELF

GO BEYOND

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

Yunnan boasts a rich diversity of people and landscapes. You'll explore verdant forest, dramatic mountains, archaeological sites and indigenous cultures. Some days are at altitude and some hiking is also involved.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
06 Apr - 22 Apr	\$5,340	14 Sep - 30 Sep	\$5,080
04 May - 20 May	\$5,080	12 Oct - 28 Oct	\$5,340
2020 DATES			
04 Apr - 20 Apr	\$5,640	12 Sep - 28 Sep	\$5,380
02 May - 18 May #	\$5,380	10 Oct - 26 Oct	\$5,640

Important note

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Departure coincides with Golden Week celebrations and sightseeing may be affected.

Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB 800 (AU\$163) is paid locally in China.



Taoist Temple burning candles

BESTSELLER

ENCHANTING CHINA

17 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$5,080

INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

MOST MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Visit Pandas in Chengdu
- ✓ See Shanghai like a local
- ✓ Three nights on the Yangtze
- ✓ Enjoy time at leisure

PRICE INCLUDES

- 15 breakfasts, 8 lunches & 4 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in quality hotels
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
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EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



HONG KONG IN FOCUS 4 DAYS FROM \$810pp

Hong Kong offers visitors a dynamic mix of the east and west, with over 150 years of colonial history and ageless Chinese traditions.

See page 118.

Price based on twin share.

Additional flight costs apply.



Stroll in the classical Yu Garden

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO BEIJING

Fly to Beijing, China's historical capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: IMPERIAL BEIJING

Begin today in Beijing's symbolic heart with a stroll across Tiananmen Square into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City where you will find a complex full of imperial treasures. Visit Yandaixiejie, where you will have some free time to wander the hutongs. These narrow alleys offer an authentic glimpse of the old Beijing before the emergence of high-rise buildings and modern commerce. Enjoy lunch in the hutongs and then spend the evening at leisure exploring the vibrant Houhai district. (B,L)

DAY 3: HUANGHUACHENG GREAT WALL AND WANGFUJING

This morning, visit Huanghuacheng, a particularly scenic section of the Great Wall reached by boat that boasts spectacular views from the top. Spend the afternoon at leisure exploring colourful Wangfujing street which is one of the largest and most well-known shopping streets in Beijing. (B,L)

DAY 4: SUMMER PALACE

Explore the beautifully designed grounds of the Summer Palace including the Long Corridor and the Marble Boat. Spend time strolling around the lake and admire the Chinese architecture, followed by a walk up Longevity Hill to enjoy the panoramic views. Also make a stop at the Olympic Park for a photo opportunity. (B)

DAY 5: TEMPLE OF HEAVEN

Begin today soaking up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape. Here, mingle with the locals and watch or participate as they begin their day practising Tai Chi, dancing or playing cards. Later, fly to the former ancient capital city of Xian. (B,L)

DAY 6: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

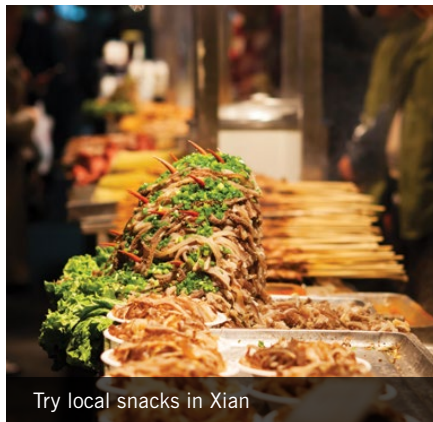
Housed in three immense hangars, the ranks of the Terracotta Army stand sentinel in their subterranean necropolis, constructed to protect China's first Emperor. Gaze over the ranks of warriors and horses, while you are introduced to these life-like soldiers' fascinating story. Take a walking tour of the Muslim Quarter and maybe sample some of the freshly cooked snacks. Enjoy the evening at leisure with a cold beer in Defu Lane or take an optional tour of Xian by night (at your own expense). (B,L)

DAY 7: XIAN AT LEISURE

Today is a day at leisure to explore Xian. There is the option to enjoy a gentle cycle ride that will take you the 14km around Xian's beautifully preserved city wall, past many smiling locals (at your own expense). (B)

DAY 8: CHENGDU LIKE A LOCAL

Take the bullet train to Chengdu and take a walk around People's Park, a hive of activity. See beautiful golden koi, locals dancing and practicing Tai Chi, visit a local teahouse, and most interesting of all spend time in Matchmaker's Corner, where parents search for suitors for their children. This evening, enjoy an optional Hot Pot dinner and 'Changing Faces' show (at your own expense). (B,L)



Try local snacks in Xian



Visit Chengdu Panda Base



Scenic Huanghuacheng Great Wall

DAY 9: CHENGDU AT LEISURE

Today is a day at leisure to relax in Chengdu or take the option of visiting the old town of Pingle. Dating back to the Han Dynasty, Pingle was a stopping point on the Tea Horse Road. Take time to walk through its maze of teahouse lined streets before seeing the bamboo forest from above on Jinji Suspended Rope Bridge (at your own expense). (B)

DAY 10: GIANT PANDAS

Spend the morning visiting the famous pandas at Chengdu's Panda Conservation Centre. Here you can observe these gorgeous creatures lounging, playing and chomping through piles of bamboo in surroundings that mirror their natural habitat. Drive to Chongqing and board your Yangtze cruise vessel. (B,D)

DAYS 11-12: YANGTZE CRUISE

As you cruise downstream, nature takes over, revealing some of the world's most dramatic scenery including the Three Gorges themselves. A voyage along China's riverine treasure is a chance to relax and enjoy a slower pace, whilst absorbing one breathtaking panorama after another. Over the next two days, take a side trip to the attractive Shennong or Goddess Stream and enjoy a shore excursion to Shibaozhai or Fengdu. (B,L,D)

DAY 13: THREE GORGES DAM

Disembark your cruise vessel in Yichang and visit the Three Gorges Dam. A man-made marvel, the Three Gorges Dam showcases a massive feat of engineering. Travel to Wuhan, then fly to the exuberant and cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. (B,L)

DAY 14: SHANGHAI SHANGHAI

Wake up to the buzz of Shanghai and take a breakfast walking tour between shimmering skyscrapers and traditional streets. Walk through the city's most fascinating districts, marvelling at monuments and rickety buildings before enjoying breakfast as the locals do – sample pancakes, fried bread sticks and tofu. Visit the classical Yu Garden, the old town and the Silk Factory. Later, take an evening stroll along the Bund and cruise down the Huangpu River, as you are serenaded by the neon lights of Pudong. (B)

DAY 15: SHANGHAI AT LEISURE

Enjoy a day at leisure in Shanghai and explore this action-packed city. Alternatively, take an optional tour to Zhujiajiao, one of Shanghai's sleepy water towns built on an old canal system once used to transport goods all over imperial China. The town's narrow alleyways exude old-world charm, whilst the waterways are lined with ancient buildings and crossed by stone bridges (at your own expense). Tonight, enjoy the ERA show and a farewell dinner of authentic Shanghaiese cuisine. (B,D)

DAYS 16-17: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B)

ENCHANTING CHINA

IMMERSE YOURSELF

FLEXIBLE

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

This tour slows down the pace and enjoy China with several leisure days and a gentle cruise on the Yangtze. See the classic sights and take time to relax. But if you want to pick up the pace, there are optional activities available.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
06 Apr - 22 Apr	\$5,240	14 Sep - 30 Sep	\$5,240
04 May - 20 May	\$5,240	05 Oct - 21 Oct #	\$5,080
18 May - 03 Jun	\$5,080	12 Oct - 28 Oct	\$5,240
07 Sep - 23 Sep	\$5,240		
2020 DATES			
04 Apr - 20 Apr	\$5,540	12 Sep - 28 Sep	\$5,540
02 May - 18 May #	\$5,540	10 Oct - 26 Oct	\$5,380
16 May - 01 Jun	\$5,380	17 Oct - 02 Nov	\$5,540
05 Sep - 21 Sep	\$5,540		

Important note

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Departure coincides with Golden Week celebrations and sightseeing may be affected.

Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB 870 (AU\$178) is paid locally in China.

HIMALAYAN ADVENTURE

21 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$7,780

INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

ALL MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Observe Giant Pandas
- ✓ Discover mystical Lhasa
- ✓ Cross the Tibetan Plateau
- ✓ Gaze on Mount Everest
- ✓ Explore Kathmandu
- ✓ Spot wildlife in Chitwan

PRICE INCLUDES

- 19 breakfasts, 18 lunches & 19 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in standard local hotels
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders

PRICE GUIDE

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- Land only (Chengdu to Kathmandu): 20 days from \$6,480 per person twin share.

EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



BEIJING & XIAN SHORT STAY 7 DAYS FROM \$1,360pp

Our Beijing & Xian Short Stay itinerary has been intricately designed for those who wish to see iconic sites and magnificent treasures. You'll travel with the assurance that all your arrangements are taken care of.

See page 109.

Price based on twin share. Additional flight costs apply.



Walk around Bodhnath Stupa in Kathmandu

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO CHENGDU

Fly to Chengdu. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: GIANT PANDAS

A visit to Chengdu's most famous Panda Conservation Centre allows you to see China's celebrated bears up close in surroundings that mirror their natural habitat. Stroll through People's Park to Matchmaker's Corner, where parents come to look for suitors for their children and visit a traditional teahouse. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: LHASA

Fly to Lhasa, the heart and soul of Tibet. The afternoon is free to relax and acclimatise to the altitude. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: DEBATING MONKS

Lhasa is a modern city but among the old streets at its core you will feel a million miles from the modern world. Venture inside Jokhang Temple where queues of people worship in the flickering light of yak butter candles. Wander around the Barkhor where the streets are lined with stalls selling trinkets, religious relics and exquisite jewellery and where traditionally dressed locals and pilgrims are plentiful. There will also be a visit to Sera Monastery to witness the debating monks. This evening, try yak burgers for dinner. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: THE POTALA PALACE

The Potala Palace is an architectural wonder towering over the city. The former winter palace of the Dalai Lama, it houses thousands of rooms filled with old treasures. In the evening, enjoy a traditional Tibetan dance performance. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: SHIGATSE

Travel across Tibet's stark plains to Shigatse. Dominated by a fort reminiscent of the Potala, Shigatse is Tibet's second city and the traditional seat of the Panchen Lama. Take a stroll through the local market and browse the wares on sale. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: TASHILHUNPO MONASTERY

Visit Tashilhunpo Monastery, the hilltop complex that is the monastic seat of the Panchen Lama. From here, drive to New Tingri, also known as Shegar. When crossing the Gyatso-la Pass, admire small Tibetan villages and ruins of ancient dzongs along the way. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: MOUNT EVEREST

Rise early to make the final assault across the Gue-La Pass to Rongbuk, a monastic village festooned in colourful prayer flags. With the Himalayas dominating the horizon, stop en route at the world's highest post office, then continue to Everest Base Camp Boundary Monument. Situated under the gaze of Everest's north face, the views of the world's highest peak are unsurpassed (weather permitting). A total of 4-5 hours will be spent on foot today. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: GYANTSE KUMBUM

Drive to the pleasant town of Gyantse which was once an integral stop on the historic trade route between India and Tibet. Located inside the Pelkor Monastery, visit the Gyantse Kumbum which is home to the largest chorten in Tibet and houses exquisite sculptures and paintings that rise 35 metres over four floors. Stay overnight in the town. (B,L,D)



Impressive Potala Palace



Phewa Lake in Pokhara

DAY 10: YAMDROK LAKE

Drive back to Lhasa, making a stop to admire the colossal Karuola Glacier, stretching down the side of Mount Simila towards the road. Also stop to admire the breathtaking turquoise-blue waters of the sacred Yamdrok Lake, backed by the snowy peaks of the Himalayas. Overnight in Lhasa. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: INTO NEPAL

Fly to Kathmandu, the capital of Nepal. The tiny Kingdom of Nepal sits atop the Himalayas wedged between India, Tibet and China. Upon arrival, meet your Nepalese guide and transfer to Dhulikhel to see the traditional Nuwari houses and browse the local market. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: BHAKTAPUR

Take a visit to Changu Narayan Temple before taking a hike to Telkot through the forest landscapes, admiring the stunning Himalayan scenery. Drive to Bhaktapur and see the Old Houses and meet a local Newari family before enjoying a traditional Nepalese lunch. This afternoon wander Bhaktapur's cobblestone streets where you will stumble across many old courtyards, temples and artisans busy at their craft. Visit the Golden Gate and the Palace of 55 Windows on Durbar Square. (B,L,D)

DAYS 13-14: POKHARA

Fly to Pokhara. The town sits on the verdant banks of Phewa Lake with virtually uninterrupted views of the majestic Annapurna and Manaslu ranges. Take a walking tour, admiring the views. (B,L,D) The next day, visit the Old Bazaar, Bindyabasini Temple, Gupteshwor Cave and Devi's Fall before looking around the International Mountain Museum. (B,L,D)

DAYS 15-16: CHITWAN NATIONAL PARK

Rise early to visit a Hindu Temple before departing for Chitwan National Park. (B,L,D) The next day, take an early morning nature walk. Later, enjoy a serene trip down the Rapti River to view the animals on the river banks. Observe an elephant bath and this evening enjoy a traditional Tharu Stick dance performed by local farmers. (B,L,D)

DAY 17: DAMAN

Drive to Daman which has one of the most spectacular outlooks over the Himalayan range of anywhere in Nepal. Continue to Kathmandu. (B,L,D)

DAY 18: LAMA BLESSING

Essentially a suburb of Kathmandu, Patan was once the capital of an independent kingdom, something that is noticeable in its distinctiveness. See the UNESCO World Heritage Royal Palace and the sights of Patan's Durbar Square. Returning to Kathmandu, visit the Bodhnath Stupa and Monastery for a very special Lama blessing. Continue to Pashupatinath Temple. (B,L,D)

DAY 19: SWAYAMBHUNATH

Kathmandu is a city of many layers – a modern day assault on the senses, a hub of cultural and artistic heritage and a monument to the medieval era. Today's visits include Swayambhunath Temple, Durbar Square, the Kumari Temple and Thamel Market. (B,L,D)

DAYS 20-21: FLY KATHMANDU TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B)

IMMERSE YOURSELF

GO BEYOND

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

Embark on a journey of extremes, striking across the starkly beautiful landscapes of Tibet and Nepal. Some days are spent at altitude with long periods of driving. A good level of fitness is required for this tour.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
08 May - 28 May	\$7,780	02 Oct - 22 Oct #	\$7,780
2020 DATES			
06 May - 26 May	\$8,180	07 Oct - 27 Oct #	\$8,180

Important note

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Departure coincides with Golden Week celebrations and sightseeing may be affected.

Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB 540 (AU\$110) is paid locally in China and US\$70 (AU\$95) is paid locally at Kathmandu.



Marvel at Mount Everest

BESTSELLER

CHINA TRAILBLAZER

21 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$6,780

INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

MOST MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Hike the Great Wall
- ✓ Four nights on the Yangtze
- ✓ Visit Pandas in rural Dujiangyan
- ✓ Cycle Yangshuo's countryside
- ✓ Ramble Longji's rice terraces
- ✓ See Shanghai like a local



Cycle on Xian's ancient city wall

PRICE INCLUDES

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EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



HONG KONG GLIMPSES 3 DAYS FROM \$420pp

Hong Kong has transformed from a small fishing village to one of the world's most exciting cities. Hong Kong offers visitors a dynamic mix of the east and west, with over 150 years of colonial history and ageless Chinese traditions.

See page 117.
Price based on twin share.
Additional flight costs apply.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO BEIJING

Fly to Beijing, China's historical capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: BEIJING'S HUTONGS

This morning visit Yandaixiejie where you will have some free time to wander the hutongs. These narrow alleys offer an authentic glimpse of the old Beijing before the emergence of high-rise buildings and modern commerce. Visit the Temple of Heaven and mingle with the locals as they take part in Tai Chi, dancing and card playing. Continue to the Summer Palace and explore the magnificent grounds, before taking a short hike up Longevity Hill to enjoy panoramic views. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: FORBIDDEN CITY

Stroll across Tiananmen Square into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. Walking through this ornately designed complex offers an unsurpassed insight into China's colourful past. Drive to Simatai Great Wall where you will ride up to the apex of the Wall by cable car to see the sunset. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: HIKE THE GREAT WALL

Travel to the Great Wall at Jinshanling, a section that is much less frequented by tourists than other parts. The stark yet magnificent surroundings allow you to put yourself in the shoes of those who walked this incredible structure hundreds of years ago. Your trek will last approximately four hours as the wall dramatically courses through spectacular landscapes and rugged terrain. Later, head back to Beijing and enjoy the evening at leisure. (B,L)

DAY 5: EXPLORE XIAN

Fly to Xian, the ancient former capital. Explore the narrow and winding streets of the Muslim Quarter. The evening is at leisure. (B,L)

DAY 6: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

Housed in three immense hangars, the ranks of the Terracotta Army stand sentinel in their subterranean necropolis, constructed to protect China's first Emperor in the afterlife. Spend the morning gazing over the ranks of warriors and horses, each one unique, whilst your guide introduces you to these life-like soldiers' fascinating story. Also visit the workshop to see where the warriors are intricately created. Continue to the ancient city wall for a cycle on the fortifications surrounding the heart of the city. In the evening, enjoy a delicious feast of traditional Shui Jiao dumplings. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: BOARD YOUR CRUISE

Fly to Wuhan and transfer to Yichang to board your Yangtze Cruise vessel. (B,L,D)

DAYS 8-10: YANGTZE CRUISE

Over the next few days, be prepared for one breathtaking scenery after another. Visit the Three Gorges Dam and enjoy a side trip to the attractive Shennong or Goddess Stream and a shore excursion to Shibaozhia or Fengdu. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: CIQIKOU ANCIENT TOWN

Disembark your cruise vessel and enjoy an early lunch in the charming old town of Ciqikou – there's time to wander the cobbled alleyways and learn about its colourful history. Later, take a bullet train to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan Province. (B,L,D)



Hike the Longji rice terraces

DAY 12: PINGLE ANCIENT TOWN

Drive to Pingle Ancient Town. Dating back to the Han Dynasty, Pingle was a stopping point on the Tea Horse Road. Take time to walk through its maze of teahouse lined streets before seeing the bamboo forest from above on Jinji Suspended Rope Bridge. Return to Chengdu. (B,L,D)

DAY 13: DUJIANGYAN PANDA BASE

Visit one of the world's finest panda conservation centres where you will gain a real insight into the hard work that goes into caring for and boosting the population of this endangered species. The pandas here are kept in conditions very close to their natural habitat. Later, ascend Mt Qingcheng, the most sacred Taoist mountain in China, by cable car. It is a truly beautiful spot with numerous lush, green peaks and secluded temples. Take a stroll among the mystic scenery of Yuecheng Lake. (B,L,D)

DAY 14: SUN & MOON PAGODAS

Take an early morning flight to the beautiful city of Guilin. Enjoy a stroll around the picturesque Ronghu Lake and admire the Sun and Moon pagodas – two towering examples of traditional Chinese-Buddhist architecture. Also visit the Pearl Factory and see the displays and demonstrations on offer. (B,L)

DAY 15: RICE TERRACES HIKE

Travel to the misty, stepped hills of Longji. Today's four-hour hike among the terraces will take you past small hamlets and picture-postcard views of the rice terraces which cover the landscape in intricate patterns. Later, return to Guilin. (B,L)

DAY 16: LI RIVER CRUISE

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to the charming town of Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view to take your breath away as jagged karst peaks loom over rural scenes of lush greenery, grazing buffalo and local fishermen. This evening, there is an option to be wowed by the light spectacular 'Liu Sanjie' (at your own expense). (B,L,D)

DAY 17: TAI CHI AFTERNOON AT LEISURE

Start the day with an invigorating session of Tai Chi, taking a class with a master to learn this ancient martial art. This afternoon, there is the option of riding a bicycle through the countryside or join a bamboo rafting trip along the Yulong River (at your own expense). (B,L)

DAY 18: HUANGPU RIVER CRUISE

Drive back to Guilin and fly to Shanghai. This evening, cruise down the Huangpu River being serenaded by the neon lights of Pudong. (B,L)

DAY 19: SHANGHAI NESE SHANGHAI

Wake up to the buzz of Shanghai and take a breakfast walking tour between shimmering skyscrapers and traditional streets. Walk through the city's most fascinating districts before enjoying breakfast as the locals do – sample pancakes, fried bread sticks and tofu. Visit the classical Yu Garden, the old town and the Silk Factory before taking an evening stroll along the Bund. Enjoy a farewell dinner of authentic Shanghainese cuisine. (B,L,D)

DAYS 20-21: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B)

CHINA TRAILBLAZER

IMMERSE YOURSELF

GO BEYOND

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

It's a wonderful mix of classic sights and countryside delights. From the back of a bike or on a hike, discover many favourites of this fascinating country. A good level of fitness is required for this tour, but its well worth it.



Explore Beijing's Hutongs

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
31 Mar - 20 Apr	\$6,780	08 Sep - 28 Sep	\$6,780
14 Apr - 04 May #	\$6,940	22 Sep - 12 Oct #	\$6,780
05 May - 25 May	\$6,940	06 Oct - 26 Oct #	\$6,940
19 May - 08 Jun	\$6,940	13 Oct - 02 Nov	\$6,940
2020 DATES			
29 Mar - 18 Apr	\$7,180	06 Sep - 26 Sep	\$7,180
12 Apr - 02 May #	\$7,340	20 Sep - 10 Oct #	\$7,180
03 May - 23 May #	\$7,340	04 Oct - 24 Oct #	\$7,340
17 May - 06 Jun	\$7,340	11 Oct - 31 Oct	\$7,340

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LAND OF THE DRAGON

21 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$5,880

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MOST MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING 2

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Cruise the Li River
- ✓ Watch Giant Pandas play
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Enjoy time at leisure



Admire the colonial buildings along the Bund

PRICE INCLUDES

- 19 breakfasts, 9 lunches & 4 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in quality hotels
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders

PRICE GUIDE

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EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



TIBETAN SHORT STAY 6 DAYS FROM \$2,270pp

The mysterious Buddhist kingdom of Tibet, locked away high in the Himalaya, offers magnificent monasteries and stunning views.

See page 112.

Price based on twin share. Additional flight costs apply.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO BEIJING

Fly to Beijing, China's historical capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: IMPERIAL BEIJING

Head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square and into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City where you will find a complex full of imperial treasures. Visit Yandaixiejie and enjoy some free time to wander the hutongs. These narrow alleys offer an authentic glimpse of the old Beijing before the emergence of high-rise buildings and modern commerce. This evening, spend free time in the vibrant Houhai district. (B,L)

DAY 3: HUANGHUACHENG GREAT WALL

Visit Huanghuacheng, a particularly scenic section of the Great Wall reached by boat that boasts spectacular views from the top. Spend the afternoon at leisure exploring colourful Wangfujing street. (B,L)

DAY 4: SUMMER PALACE

Explore the beautifully designed grounds of the Summer Palace including the Long Corridor and the Marble Boat. Spend time strolling around the lake and admire the Chinese architecture, followed by a walk up Longevity Hill to enjoy the panoramic views. Make a photo stop at the Olympic Park. (B)

DAY 5: TEMPLE OF HEAVEN

Visit the Temple of Heaven and mingle with the locals as they start their day practising Tai Chi, dancing and playing cards. Later, take the overnight train to Xian. (B,L)

DAY 6: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

The Terracotta Army of China's first emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of the life-size warriors and horses. Next, soak up the lively atmosphere in the narrow alleyways of the Muslim Quarter. Enjoy the evening at leisure or take an optional tour of the city by night. (B,L)

DAY 7: XIAN AT LEISURE

Enjoy the day at leisure or take a gentle 14 kilometre cycle ride on the beautifully preserved 14th Century city walls that enclose Xian's old town (at your own expense). (B)

DAY 8: FLY TO GUILIN

Fly to Guilin and explore the colourful stalagmites and stalactites of Reed Flute Cave, then browse the displays of the South China Pearl Factory. Later, stroll around the picturesque Ronghu and Shanhu lakes, before heading to the vibrant Zhengyang Pedestrian Street and enjoy time at leisure. (B)

DAY 9: GUILIN AT LEISURE

Enjoy the day at leisure or take an optional four-hour hike on the rice terraces of Longji. Walk over the fields and enjoy picture-postcard views of the terraces which cover the landscape in intricate patterns (at your own expense). (B)

DAY 10: LI RIVER CRUISE

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to the charming town of Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view to take your breath away as jagged karst peaks loom over rural scenes of lush green scenery, grazing buffalo and local fishermen. Upon arrival, climb up Moon Hill. (B,L)



Cruise the Li River



Discover imperial treasures in the Forbidden City in Beijing

DAY 11: YANGSHUO TAI CHI

Start the day with a relaxing yet invigorating session of Tai Chi, taking a class with a master to learn this ancient martial art. The afternoon is at leisure where you can choose from the many optional activities available including cycling and bamboo rafting (at your own expense). (B)

DAY 12: CHENGDU LIKE A LOCAL

Return to Guilin and fly to Chengdu. Walk around People's Park, visit a local teahouse and most interesting of all, visit Matchmaker's Corner. The rest of the day is at leisure where you can enjoy an optional hot pot dinner and see a 'face changing' show (at your own expense). (B,L)

DAY 13: CHENGDU AT LEISURE

Today is a day at leisure in Chengdu, with the option of visiting the old town of Pingle (at your own expense). Dating back to the Han Dynasty, Pingle was a stopping point on the Tea Horse Road. Walk through its maze of teahouse lined streets and see the bamboo forest from above on Jinji Suspended Rope Bridge. (B)

DAY 14: GIANT PANDAS

Visit Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre to see and learn about the pandas in surroundings that mirror their natural habitat. Later, drive to Chongqing and board your Yangtze cruise vessel. (B,D)

DAYS 15-16: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

As you cruise downstream, nature takes over, revealing some of the world's most dramatic scenery. Enjoy various side trips and shore excursions and take time to relax and absorb one breathtaking panorama after another. (B,L,D)

DAY 17: FLY TO SHANGHAI

A man-made marvel, the Three Gorges Dam showcases this massive feat of engineering. Visit the mammoth dam before flying to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai. (B,L)

DAY 18: SHANGHAI SE SHANGHAI

Wake up to the buzz of Shanghai and take a breakfast walking tour between shimmering skyscrapers and traditional streets. Walk through the city's most fascinating districts, marvelling at monuments and rickety buildings before enjoying breakfast as the locals do – sample pancakes, fried bread sticks and tofu. Visit Yu Garden, the old town, the Bund and the Silk Factory before a cruise down the Huangpu River, as you are serenaded by the neon lights of Pudong. (B)

DAY 19: SHANGHAI AT LEISURE

Enjoy a day at leisure in Shanghai and explore this action-packed city. Alternatively, take an optional tour (at your own expense) to Zhujiajiao, one of Shanghai's sleepy water towns built on an old canal system once used to transport goods all over imperial China. The town's narrow alleyways exude old-world charm, whilst the waterways are lined with ancient buildings and crossed by stone bridges. Tonight, see the ERA acrobatic show and enjoy a farewell dinner of authentic Shanghaiese cuisine. (B,D)

DAYS 20-21: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B)

LAND OF THE DRAGON

IMMERSE YOURSELF

FLEXIBLE

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

This journey allows you to discover China on a tour that you can tailor to suit your own interests. See all the main sights and use your free time to take part in some active options, personal exploration or simply relax and enjoy this beautiful country.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
09 Apr - 29 Apr	\$6,280	10 Sep - 30 Sep	\$6,280
07 May - 27 May	\$6,280	08 Oct - 28 Oct	\$5,880
2020 DATES			
07 Apr - 27 Apr	\$6,680	08 Sep - 28 Sep	\$6,680
05 May - 25 May	\$6,680	06 Oct - 26 Oct #	\$6,280

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Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB 1,070 (AU\$218) is paid locally in China.



See the Sun & Moon Pagodas

DREAMS OF NATURE

23 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$6,180

INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

MOST MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING 4

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Four nights on the Yangtze
- ✓ Cruise on the Li River
- ✓ Explore Wulong National Park
- ✓ View Zhangjiajie's pinnacles
- ✓ Discover Buddhist Emeishan
- ✓ See Pandas in Chengdu

PRICE INCLUDES

- 20 breakfasts, 18 lunches & 15 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in quality hotels
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SHANGHAI SHORT STAY 3 DAYS FROM \$470pp

Shanghai grew in importance in the 19th Century due to its favourable location. Today it presents a blend of cultures - the modern and the traditional - along with the European and Oriental.

See page 110.

Price based on twin share.
Additional flight costs apply.



Explore the scenic area of Zhangjiajie

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY AUSTRALIA TO GUILIN

Fly overnight to Guilin. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: YANGSHUO'S LANDSCAPES

Take a gentle cruise along the Li River to Yangshuo. Lined with dramatic limestone cliffs, the serenity of life on the riverbanks is a wonderful sight. Later, take a walk through this idyllic wonderland and get an insight into life here. There's an option to take a rewarding hike to Moon Hill for beautiful views (at your own expense). (B,L,D)

DAY 4: TAI CHI & BAMBOO RAFTING

Start the day with a relaxing and invigorating session of Tai Chi, taking a class with a master to learn this ancient martial art. This afternoon, there is an option to go bamboo rafting on the Yulong River. Drift past verdant riverbanks and under ancient bridges as you paddle on the glass-like water (at your own expense). (B,L)

DAY 5: REED FLUTE CAVE

Drive back to Guilin and spend the afternoon exploring Reed Flute Cave and learning about the South China pearling industry at the Pearl Factory. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: LONGJI RICE TERRACES

Travel to the iconic Longji Rice Terraces and head out for a three-hour walk through the traditional rural landscapes. There are several viewpoints boasting picture-postcard views of the extensive rice terraces that cover the hillside in intricate patterns. Drive back to Guilin. (B,L)

DAY 7: ZHANGJIAJIE

Take the bullet train to Changsha and drive to Zhangjiajie, located in Hunan Province. (B,L,D)

DAYS 8-9: ZHANGJIAJIE

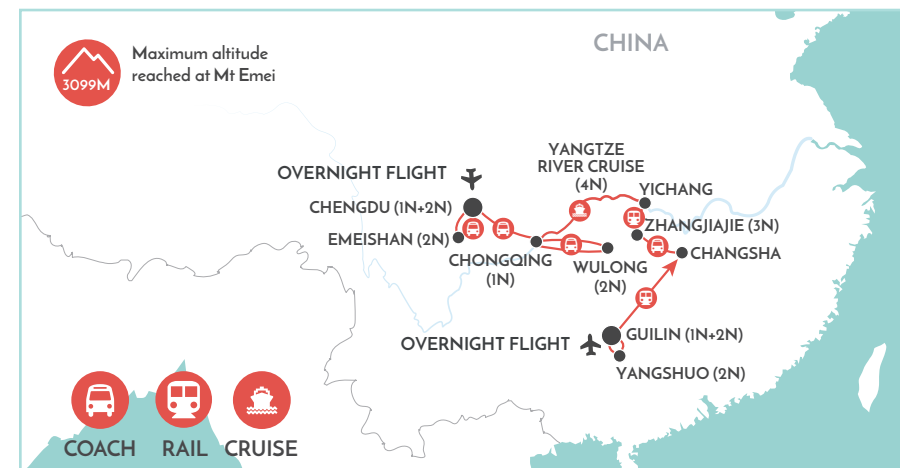
A scenic area of over 3,000 sandstone pillars, rising from misty folds of subtropical forest and cloaked in vibrant green vegetation, Zhangjiajie's striking beauty is unforgettable. Ravines and gorges, streams and waterfalls and a plethora of endangered plants and animal species complete this idyllic scene. Over the next two days, enjoy some beautiful walks, take a cruise on Lake Baofeng and spend some time exploring Huanglong Cave, also known as 'Yellow Dragon Cave'. Also trek to Jinbian Stream and explore the Ten-Mile Natural Gallery. You will also see the famous Yuanjiajie Avatar Mountain and Emperor Mountain. (B,L,D)

DAY 10: YICHANG

Catch the train to Yichang and board your Yangtze Cruise vessel, home for the next four nights. (B,L,D)

DAYS 11-13: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

A man-made marvel, The Three Gorges Dam showcases this massive feat of engineering. But as you cruise upstream, nature takes over, revealing some of the world's most dramatic scenery including the Three Gorges themselves. A voyage along China's riverine treasure is a chance to relax and enjoy a slower pace, whilst absorbing extraordinary countryside. Over the next two days, take a side trip to the attractive Goddess or Shennong Stream and enjoy shore excursions to Fengdu or Shibaozhai. (B,L,D)



Discover beautiful Wulong



Walk through the Longji rice terraces

DAY 14: HEISHAN VALLEY

Disembark in Chongqing and transfer to Wulong. Stop en-route at Heishan (Black Mountain) Valley, a scenic area enveloped by mysterious fog that is home to deep valleys, lush green forests, majestic waterfalls, rivers and streams, caves, and wildlife. (B,L,D)

DAY 15: THREE BRIDGES NATIONAL PARK & LONGSHUIXIA

Today, visit Three Bridges National Park, a rare geological wonder consisting of three natural karst bridges: Tianlong Bridge, Qinglong Bridge and Heilong Bridge. Continue to Longshuixia Fissure, a narrow fault line that has been carved out by the river. (B,L,D)

DAY 16: WULONG NATIONAL PARK

Spend the day exploring the UNESCO World Heritage listed Wulong National Park - an area of stunning natural scenery with towering limestone karsts, deep gorges, caves and natural bridges. Its remote location has ensured that the park is relatively unspoilt. Later, return to Chongqing. (B,L,D)

DAY 17: CHONGQING

Visit the ancient charming town of Ciqikou and see the pandas at Chongqing Zoo. Later, continue by road to Chengdu. (B,L)

DAY 18: LESHAN GRAND BUDDHA

Travel to Leshan to see the 71-metre high UNESCO listed Grand Buddha. Completed in the year 803, it is said that the Buddha's presence has calmed the turbulent waters of the river. View the Buddha from above before taking a short boat trip, which will give you an even better perspective from below. Continue to Emeishan. (B,L,D)

DAY 19: EXPLORE MOUNT EMEI

Mount Emei is the cradle of the Buddhist religion in China with the first temple built on its peak in the 1st Century. Pilgrims and tourists mix amongst the lush vegetation and inconspicuous old temples, all admiring the striking and diverse natural beauty of the mountain and its setting. Spend the day soaking up the ambience and exploring. (B,L,D)

DAY 20: PINGLE ANCIENT TOWN

Dating back to the Han Dynasty, Pingle was a stopping point on the Tea Horse Road. Take time to walk through its maze of teahouse-lined streets before seeing the bamboo forest from above on Jinji Suspended Rope Bridge. Drive back to Chengdu. (B,L)

DAY 21: CHENGDU PANDA BASE

Spend the morning visiting the Giant Pandas. This afternoon, absorb the culture at People's Park. People-watching here is an endless pleasure, from the lively locals playing mahjong to the singles looking for love in Matchmaker's Corner. In the evening, enjoy a delicious Sichuanese hot pot dinner. (B,D)

DAYS 22-23: FLY CHENGDU TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B)

DREAMS OF NATURE

IMMERSE YOURSELF

GO BEYOND

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

Towering pinnacles swathed in mist, sky-skimming mountains and nature at its most verdant are just some of the wonders included on this scenic journey. A good level of fitness is required for this tour.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
04 Apr - 26 Apr	\$6,180	05 Sep - 27 Sep	\$6,480
02 May - 24 May #	\$6,480	10 Oct - 01 Nov	\$6,480
2020 DATES			
02 Apr - 24 Apr	\$6,580	03 Sep - 25 Sep	\$6,880
30 Apr - 22 May #	\$6,880	08 Oct - 30 Oct	\$6,880

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See a Cormorant fisherman

TIBETAN WONDERS

24 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$6,980

INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

MOST MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Journey to Shangri-La
- ✓ Discover Shaxi Ancient Town
- ✓ Soak up mystical Lhasa
- ✓ Explore Tibet's temples
- ✓ Cross the Tibetan Plateau
- ✓ Gaze on Mount Everest

PRICE INCLUDES

- 21 breakfasts, 18 lunches & 14 dinners
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XIAN SHORT STAY 3 DAYS FROM \$340pp

Xian served as the capital for China's greatest emperor Qin Shi Huang. The word 'China' is derived from his name and it is also the starting point of the world's most famous trade route - The Silk Road.

See page 108.

Price based on twin share. Additional flight costs apply.



Discover Sera Monastery near Lhasa

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY AUSTRALIA TO KUNMING

Fly overnight to the relaxed city of Kunming, also known as 'the city of Eternal Spring'.

DAY 3: DISCOVER THE STONE FOREST

This morning, meander through the formations of the UNESCO listed Stone Forest. Visit Dianchi Lake and the Western Hills. Return to Kunming and tuck into a local delicacy Across the Bridge Noodles for dinner. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: TRAVEL TO DALI

Drive to Dali, a charming town that offers a peek into bygone China. Wander the Ancient Quarter and see the magnificent Three Pagodas. (B,L)

DAY 5: TAOIST MOUNTAIN MEDITATION

Weibaoshan is one of the Taoist religion's most sacred mountains and has twenty temples dotted on its forested slopes. Take a scenic walk and discover a handful of these temples and meet with a Taoist priest who will introduce you to Taoist meditation techniques. (B,L)

DAY 6: SHAXI ANCIENT TOWN

Drive to Shaxi Ancient Town, nestled deep in the Himalayan foothills. Learn about the fascinating minority people who reside in the area and enjoy a local lunch. Continue to Lijiang and spend the evening wandering the old town. (B,L)

DAY 7: JADE DRAGON SNOW MOUNTAIN & DONGBA SHAMAN

A magnificent mountain, the Jade Dragon Snow Mountain soars to 5,500 metres. Taking a chairlift, explore one of the stunning high meadows and enjoy the amazing vistas.

Admire the fascinating Ming Dynasty frescoes at Baisha and see the intricate creations of the embroidery school. Next, meet a Shaman who will teach you to write the forgotten language of Dongba Pictograms. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: TIGER LEAPING GORGE

Visit Black Dragon Pool Park for magnificent views of the Jade Dragon Snow Mountain. Journey to the 3,000 metre deep Tiger Leaping Gorge. With its backdrop of snow-capped mountains, it is one of China's most extraordinary sights. Continue to the Tibetan monastery town of Zhongdian, also known as Shangri-La. Visit Dafo Temple and take some free time to explore the old town. (B,L)

DAY 9: RURAL SHANGRI-LA

Visit Songzanlin Monastery before hiking 2-3 hours to Napa Hai. Here you are surrounded by towering mountains and lush grasslands brimming with flora and fauna. Next, visit a rural Tibetan-style village where you will learn about the villagers' way of life, make butter tea and taste home-cooked dishes. (B,L,D)

DAY 10: LHASA

Fly to Lhasa, the heart and soul of Tibet. The afternoon is free to relax and acclimatise to the altitude. (B,D)

DAY 11: JOKHANG TEMPLE AND SPIRITUAL BARKHOR CIRCUIT

Lhasa is a quickly growing modern city but among the narrow, old streets you will feel a million miles from the stresses and strains of the modern world. Wander around the Barkhor Circuit to see traditionally dressed locals, stalls of religious trinkets and prostrating pilgrims.



Spend time in Shigatse



Marvel at Mount Everest

Inside the Jokhang Temple, the devotion is palpable as queues of people worship in the flickering light of yak butter candles. There will also be a visit to Sera Monastery, to witness the debating monks. Tonight, enjoy a Tibetan dinner and dance. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: POTALA PALACE

The Potala Palace is an architectural wonder, towering over the city. The former winter palace of the Dalai Lama, it houses thousands of rooms filled with old treasures. Next, explore Norbulingka, the summer residence of the Dalai Lama, set in parkland just outside the city. Also learn how to make delicious momo dumplings. (B,L,D)

DAYS 13-14: SHIGATSE

Travel across Tibet's stark plains to Shigatse. Dominated by a fort reminiscent of the Potala, Shigatse is Tibet's second city and the traditional seat of the Panchen Lama. Enjoy some free time to explore the local markets. (B,L,D). The next day, continue by road to New Tingri admiring the awe-inspiring views of the mighty Himalayas as we go. (B,L,D)

DAY 15: MOUNT EVEREST

Rise early to make the final assault across the Gue-La Pass to Rongbuk, a monastic village festooned in colourful prayer flags. With the Himalayas dominating the horizon, stop en route at the world's highest post office, then continue to Everest Base Camp Boundary Monument. Situated under the gaze of Everest's north face, the views of the world's highest peak are unsurpassed (weather permitting). A total of 4-5 hours will be spent on foot today. (B,L,D)

DAY 16: EVEREST SUNRISE

Rise early to see a glorious sunrise over Everest before returning to New Tingri. (B,L,D)

DAYS 17-18: SHIGATSE AND GYANTSE

Return to Shigatse. (B,L,D). The next day, visit Tashilhunpo Monastery and join the pilgrims on their evening 'Kora' of the monastery. Continue to the pleasant town of Gyantse to visit the Gyantse Kumbum located inside the Pelkor Monastery. Visit a traditional folk house for some home brewed 'chang'. (B,L,D)

DAY 19: TSEDANG

Travel along the Brahmaputra River to Tsedang. Also visit Gangpo Ri, the 'birthplace of the Tibetan people'. (B,L,D)

DAY 20: YUMBULHAKANG PALACE

Perched on a hill over the Yarlung River, legend says that the ancient Yumbulhakang Palace was the first building in Tibet and the palace of the first Tibetan king. Continue to the Chang Chun Monastery and the King's Tombs before returning to Lhasa. (B,L)

DAY 21: CHENGDU

Fly to Chengdu in Sichuan Province. (B)

DAY 22: PANDAS

Visit Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre, stroll around People's Park, see Matchmaker's Corner and stop by a traditional teahouse. In the evening, enjoy Sichuanese cuisine. (B,L,D)

DAYS 23-24: FLY CHENGDU TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B)

IMMERSE YOURSELF

GO BEYOND

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

Journey through the diverse landscapes of Yunnan Province up to 'the roof of the world'. Admire ancient monasteries and Himalayan vistas before taking in the ultimate view of Everest. Expect long days of driving on this tour.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES

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18 May - 10 Jun	\$6,980	05 Oct - 28 Oct #	\$7,180

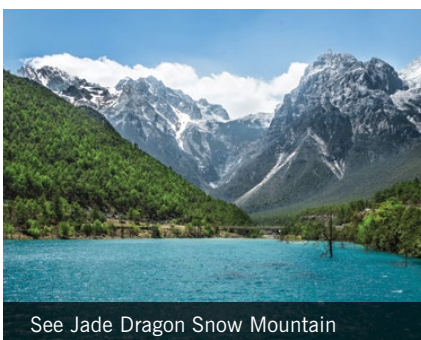
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See Jade Dragon Snow Mountain

SILK ROAD EXPLORER

28 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$7,280

FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

ALL MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Visit Kashgar Sunday Bazaar
- ✓ Admire Jiayu Fortress
- ✓ Explore Tibetan Xiahe
- ✓ See the Rainbow Mountains
- ✓ Travel across remote desert

PRICE INCLUDES

- 25 breakfasts, 24 lunches & 25 dinners
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- Domestic transportation
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BEYOND THE GREAT WALL 2 DAYS FROM \$695pp

Explore one of the less-visited and untouched parts of the Great Wall as you hike along the Jinshanling section of the wall.

See page 108.

Price based on twin share. Additional flight costs apply.



Visit Crescent Moon Spring amongst the Singing Sand Dunes

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY AUSTRALIA TO XIAN

Fly overnight to Xian, the ancient former capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture. (D)

DAY 3: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

Gaze over the ranks of warriors and horses, each one unique, whilst your guide introduces you to these life-like soldiers' fascinating story. Later, enjoy a gentle cycle ride that will take you the 14 kilometres around the ancient city wall and take a walking tour of the narrow and winding streets of the Muslim Quarter. Tonight, enjoy a traditional dumpling dinner. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: TRAIN TO LANZHOU

Start the morning with an optional early visit to the local park to see Xian's residents taking part in Tai Chi and dancing. Visit the Xian Museum and the Little Wild Goose Pagoda. Later, board the bullet train to Lanzhou. (B,L,D)

DAYS 5-6: EXPLORE LANZHOU

Enjoy a moment of tranquillity at the hilltop Baita Temple and tuck into some delicious Lanzhou-style noodles made with hand-stretched dough (B,L,D). The next day, cross Liujiaxia Lake by speed boat and head into the green hills around Liujiaxia to explore the extraordinary Thousand Buddha Caves of Bingling Temple and their wealth of Buddhist murals, statues and sculptures. Also visit the statue of Maitreya. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: TIBETAN XIAHE

Conquer the scenic Jishi Mountain Pass to arrive at Tibetan Xiahe and spend time acclimatising to the altitude. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: LABRANG MONASTERY

Giving a taste of the mysteries of Tibet, Labrang Monastery is a fascinating maze of prayer wheels, chapels and chortens. Dine on traditional Tibetan food for lunch, including Tibetan dumplings, known as momos. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: TRAVEL TO ZHANGYE

Return to Lanzhou and take the bullet train to Zhangye, once an important commercial town along the Silk Road. (B,L,D)

DAY 10: RAINBOW MOUNTAINS

Rise early this morning to witness the sunrise over the kaleidoscopic mountains in Danxia National Park. Return to Zhangye and visit the Giant Buddha Temple before boarding your bullet train to Jiayuguan. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: GREAT WALL AT JIAYUGUAN

Seen as China's western gateway, Jiayuguan is the perfect place to get to grips with your Silk Road history. Visit the Jiayu Fortress and take a walk on the western extremes of the magnificent Great Wall for panoramic views over the starkly beautiful Gobi Desert. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: CITY OF SANDS

Drive to Dunhuang. Located on a major trade and cultural crossroads, Dunhuang, known as the 'City of the Sands', sits in a verdant oasis on the edge of the Taklamakan Desert. Visit the Shazhou Night Market, where you can wander amongst the stalls. (B,L,D)

DAY 13: MOGAO GROTTOES

A system of temples and sanctuaries, visit the Mogao Grottoes that exhibit wonderful examples of Buddhist paintings and statues that span thousands of years. (B,L,D)



Prayer wheel at Labrang Monastery

DAY 14: SINGING SAND DUNES

Visit Crescent Moon Spring, nestled amongst rolling sand dunes and the famous Singing Sand Dunes, a phenomena produced by the wind blowing through the grains.

DAY 15: TURPAN

Take the bullet train to Turpan, a lush green oasis set in a barren landscape. An easy-going town famed for its grapes, its pleasant streets are lined with lush vine trellises.

DAYS 16-17: EXPLORE TURPAN

Visit the ruins of ancient Jiaohe and the striking red sandstone Flaming Mountains. See elegant Emin Minaret before visiting a typical home in Grape Valley. (B,L,D) The next day, learn about the fascinating 2000 year old Karez Irrigation canals and drive to Kurla. (B,L,D)

DAYS 18-20: THE SILK ROAD

Over the next three days travel along the original Silk Road through the Xinjiang Region, viewing ruins and sights largely unvisited by tourists. Start with a visit to see the ruins of Subashi, arriving in Kuqa to visit the old city wall and see the Kyzil Thousand Buddha Caves. Continue travelling to Aksu, eventually leading to fabled Kashgar. (B,L,D)

DAY 21: EXPLORE KASHGAR

Its skyline punctured by minarets, Kashgar feels a million miles from China – in fact, it feels a million miles from anywhere! Although now a modern city, the sights and sounds of Kashgar's bazaar have remained unchanged for millennia. Sightseeing today includes a visit to Abakh Hoja Tomb, Id Kah Mosque and a stroll around the atmospheric alleyways around Id Kah Square. (B,L,D)



See the sunrise over beautiful Rainbow Mountains in Danxia National Park

DAY 22: KASHGAR SUNDAY BAZAAR

Dive headlong into Central Asia's largest bazaar. Within this riot of textures, vivid colours and traditional dress, you can browse hundreds of stalls selling anything from spices and carpets to boots and blenders. Later, fly to Urumqi. (B,L,D)

DAYS 23-24: HEAVENLY LAKE

Escape to the tranquillity of Tianchi (Heavenly Lake), formed in a crater. Pay a visit to a Kazakh minority family in their yurt and spend some time with them, learning their way of life. Tonight, enjoy local Uyghur lamb skewers for dinner. (B,L,D) The following day, make a short visit to the Xinjiang Museum before flying to Beijing, China's historic capital. (B,L,D)

DAY 25: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. In the afternoon, enjoy the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace as you wander through traditional Chinese gardens and see the exquisite architecture. (B,L,D)

DAY 26: IMPERIAL BEIJING

Head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square and into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City where you will find a complex full of imperial treasures. Soak up the ambience of the Temple of Heaven before visiting Yandaixiejie, where you will have some free time to wander the hutongs. This evening, dine on Peking duck and enjoy a Chinese acrobatic show. (B,L,D)

DAYS 27-28: FLY BEIJING TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B)

IMMERSE YOURSELF

GO BEYOND

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

Follow in the footsteps of intrepid adventurers by journeying along one of the world's most famous trading routes, the Silk Road. Beginning in ancient Xian, venture across this vast land to Kashgar. Expect long journeys on this tour.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

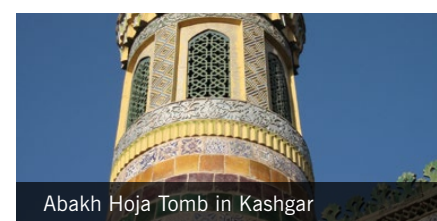
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Abakh Hoja Tomb in Kashgar

CHINA: THE BIG ONE

28 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$6,680

INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

MOST MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ See Dali & Shaxi Ancient Towns
- ✓ Three nights on the Yangtze
- ✓ Jade Dragon Snow Mountain
- ✓ Watch Giant Pandas play



Discover Shaxi Ancient Town in the Himalayan Foothills

PRICE INCLUDES

- 26 breakfasts, 17 lunches & 5 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in quality hotels
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EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



GARDENS BY THE BAY 4 DAYS FROM \$565pp

This multi-award winning destination spans 101 hectares along Singapore's magnificent waterfront. From the stunning Flower Dome to the mysterious Cloud Forest, this is your ticket to Avatar's fantasy world Pandora.

See page 116.
Price based on twin share.
Additional flight costs apply.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO BEIJING

Fly to Beijing, China's historical capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 2: FORBIDDEN CITY & HUTONGS

Stroll across Tiananmen Square and into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. Next, visit Yandaixiejie Street where there's time to wander the hutongs. These narrow alleys offer a glimpse of old Beijing. (B,L)

DAY 3: HUANGHUACHENG GREAT WALL

Visit Huanghuacheng, a particularly scenic section of the Great Wall reached by boat that boasts spectacular views from the top. Spend the afternoon at leisure exploring colourful Wangfujing street. In the evening, enjoy an optional Peking duck dinner (at your own expense). (B,L)

DAY 4: IMPERIAL SUMMER PALACE

Explore the beautifully designed grounds of the Summer Palace including the Long Corridor and the Marble Boat. Spend time strolling around pretty Kunming Lake and walk up wooded Longevity Hill. Make a photo stop at the Olympic Park. (B,L)

DAY 5: TEMPLE OF HEAVEN

Visit the Temple of Heaven and mingle with the locals as they start their day with Tai Chi, dancing and cards in a flurry of sociable activity. Take the overnight train to Xian. (B,L)

DAY 6: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

Spend the morning gazing over the ranks of warriors and horses, while you are introduced to these lifelike soldiers' fascinating story.

Take a walking tour of the Muslim Quarter and enjoy the evening at leisure. (B,L)

DAY 7: CYCLING IN XIAN

Start your day with a gentle cycle ride that will take you 14 kilometres around the city wall that enclose Xian's old town. Also, visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda. (B,L)

DAY 8: BEAUTIFUL GUILIN

Fly to Guilin. Walk around the lakes before enjoying the evening at leisure – you may wish to stroll around Zhengyang Street. (B)

DAY 9 GUILIN AT LEISURE

Today, there is an option to take a four-hour hike in the stunning rice terraces of Longji (at your own expense). Otherwise, spend more time in Guilin. (B)

DAY 10: YANGSHUO COUNTRYSIDE

Take a gentle cruise along the Li River to Yangshuo. Lined with dramatic limestone cliffs, the serenity of life on the riverbanks is a wonderful sight. Take a walk through this idyllic wonderland and get an insight into life here. (B,L)

DAY 11: YANGSHUO TAI CHI

Start the day with an invigorating session of Tai Chi, taking a class with a master to learn this ancient martial art. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure or take part in an optional activity. (B)

DAY 12: KUNMING AT LEISURE

Transfer to Guilin and visit Reed Flute Cave before flying to Kunming. (B)

DAY 13: STONE FOREST

Meander through the formations of the UNESCO-listed Stone Forest. Return to



Explore Dali's ancient town



Admire Jade Dragon Snow Mountain

Kunming to visit Green Lake Park and have an evening at leisure, perhaps enjoying the vibrant Wenhua Alley district. (B,L)

DAY 14: DALI'S ANCIENT TOWN

Drive to Dali and visit the Three Pagodas and the Old Town. Also stroll along Foreigner's Street and enjoy time at leisure. (B,L)

DAY 15: DALI AT LEISURE

Enjoy the day at leisure or take an optional visit to Weibaoshan (at your own expense), one of the fourteen sacred Taoist mountains. Steeped in legend, the mountain features 20 Taoist temples nestled on its forested slopes. Walk up the hillside to see a handful of intricately decorated temples and meet a Taoist priest for a meditation session. (B)

DAY 16: SHAXI ANCIENT TOWN

Drive to Shaxi Ancient Town, nestled deep in the Himalayan foothills. Learn about the fascinating minority people that reside in the area and enjoy a local lunch. In the afternoon, continue to Lijiang and spend the evening in the historic old town. (B,L)

DAY 17: JADE DRAGON SNOW MOUNTAIN

Take a cable car to one of the high meadows and enjoy amazing vistas. Visit the minority Naxi Village and admire the fascinating Baisha frescoes painted during the Ming Dynasty. (B,L)

DAY 18: LIJIANG AT LEISURE

Enjoy the day at leisure or trek to Tiger Leaping Gorge, through dramatic cliffs and down into the gorge itself (at your own expense). (B)

DAY 19: CHENGDU LIKE A LOCAL

Fly to Chengdu and walk around People's Park. Visit a local teahouse and most interesting of all, Matchmaker's Corner. (B,L)

DAY 20: GIANT PANDAS

Visit the Chengdu Panda Conservation Centre and see these adorably charming creatures up close. The rest of the day is at leisure. (B,L)

DAY 21: ANCIENT CIQIKOU

Take the bullet train to Chongqing. Enjoy free time in the charming old town of Ciqikou then board your Yangtze Cruise vessel. (B,D)

DAYS 22-24: YANGTZE CRUISE

A cruise down the Yangtze reveals some of the world's most dramatic scenery. Over the next few days, visit the Three Gorges Dam and enjoy various side trips and shore excursions. Disembark your cruise vessel and fly to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai. (B,L,D)

DAY 25: SHANGHAINES SHANGHAI

Wake up to the buzz of Shanghai and take a breakfast walking tour between shimmering skyscrapers and traditional streets. Visit Yu Garden, the old town, the Silk Factory, stroll along the Bund and cruise along Huangpu River. (B,L)

DAY 26: SHANGHAI AT LEISURE

Join the optional day tour to delightful Zhujiajiao (at your own expense), or spend time at leisure in Shanghai. This evening, enjoy the ERA show and a delicious farewell dinner. (B,D)

DAYS 27-28: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B)

CHINA: THE BIG ONE

IMMERSE YOURSELF

FLEXIBLE

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

You'll love this slower-paced tour, that has time set aside for independent exploration. As well as the vibrant cities, discover the charms of beautiful Yangshuo, delightful Dali and quaint Lijiang. Please note – there is some altitude on this tour.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

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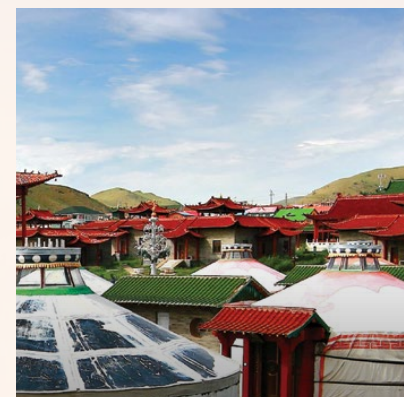
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Explore beautiful Yangshuo

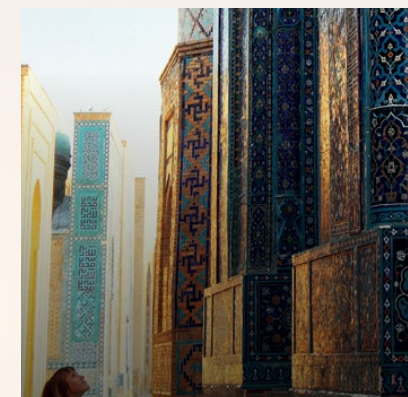
BEYOND CHINA

Out beyond the well-trodden tourist trail lies a region that is out-of-reach for all but the most intrepid travellers. Fabled lands beyond the Silk Road, where history meets legend, await to be explored.



MONGOLIA

Blessed with breathtaking scenery, the land of Ghengis Khan is famed for her nomadic cultures and traditional Nadaam festival. Here, the Gobi Desert is home to the huge Khongoryn Els sand dunes, and stunning eagle valley, covered in snow for most of the year. At the heart of family life is the ger – the traditional style of ‘tented’ home in Mongolian culture, made from layers of felt and canvas. Travellers to this region fall in love with these traditional camps, dotted across the countryside.



UZBEKISTAN

Replete with ancient cities, Uzbekistan is the star of Central Asia – rapidly gaining ground with adventure travellers wanting to seek further afield. Heavy with Silk Road history, the country is abundant with ancient culture and breathtaking Islamic architecture. Holy Bukhara offers visitors over 1000 years of history to explore, while UNESCO World Heritage listed Samarkand shows travellers some of the world’s most magnificent Mosques and Minarets.



TURKMENISTAN

Spirituality, tradition and natural beauty are the notable features of this little-known country. For visitors, Turkmenistan boasts beautiful mosques and the beautiful scenery of the Karakum Desert. But her star, for travellers is the hypnotic Darvaza crater – an 80 meter natural gas crater that has been alight for over 40 years. Named by locals as “the ‘Gates of Hell’”, visitors will camp by the flickering crater.



KYRGYZSTAN

Tucked into the heart of Central Asia, Kyrgyzstan surprises travellers with her beauty. Guests will pass by traditional yurt homes, spectacular glaciers and the snow-capped Tian Shan range appears around every corner. Issyk Kul is a pristine lake, and in the south, visitors will follow the trails of ancient civilisations along the Silk Road.



KAZAKHSTAN

The world’s ninth largest country and the most developed in Central Asia, Kazakhstan surprises travellers with her modernity. The futuristic city of Almaty is set against a vivid backdrop of the Tian Shan range.



TAJIKISTAN

Culturally charming and naturally striking, Tajikistan emanates simplicity and remoteness. Gorgeously photogenic and hugely hospitable, the capital Dushanbe is the visiting point for the Iskanderkul Lake.

MONGOLIA & THE NAADAM FESTIVAL

23 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$10,580

FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH

ALL MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING 4

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Experience Naadam Festival
- ✓ Explore the Gobi Desert
- ✓ Gaze upon Lake Khovsgol
- ✓ Discover Terelj National Park
- ✓ Stay in a traditional Ger



Experience the delights of the Naadam Festival

PRICE INCLUDES

- 21 breakfasts, 20 lunches & 21 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Local style accommodation and Ger camps
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PRICE GUIDE

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EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



HONG KONG GLIMPSES 3 DAYS FROM \$420pp

Hong Kong has transformed from a small fishing village to one of the world's most exciting cities. Hong Kong offers visitors a dynamic mix of the east and west, with over 150 years of colonial history and ageless Chinese traditions.

See page 117.

Price based on twin share. Additional flight costs apply.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY TO ULAANBAATAR

Fly overnight to Mongolia's capital, Ulaanbaatar. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture. (D)

DAY 3: EXPLORE ULAANBAATAR

Ulaanbaatar is a great place to get an understanding of Mongolia before travelling around the country. Visit the Museum of Mongolian History and the Museum of Fine Art to help put your journey in context. Also discover the 19th Century Gandan Monastery, the largest and most important in Mongolia, home to over 150 monks. (B,L,D)

DAYS 4-5: GOBI DESERT

Fly to Dalanzadgad which sits on the edge of the legendary and inhospitable Gobi Desert and visit the local market and dinosaur garden. Transfer to the Ger camp near Gurbansaikhan (Three Beauty) National Park where you will stay for the next two nights. Spend the next two days immersed in natural beauty amongst jagged mountains, undulating sand dunes and a valley that is snow-capped for most of the year. Visit a local family to learn about their life in the desert. We also hike through the magnificent Yolyn Am Gorge, commonly known as 'Eagle's Gorge' to view the stunning scenery. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: KHONGORYN ELS DUNES

Embark on a 4WD adventure to Khongoryn Els and explore Mongolia's largest sand dunes, also known as the 'Singing Sand Dunes'. Enjoy the beauty of these stark landscapes and for those who are feeling adventurous, climb to the top for fantastic views, which will be well worth it! (B,L,D)

DAY 7: FLAMING CLIFFS

Continue exploring the magnificent landscapes of the Gobi Desert before travelling to Bayanzag, also known as the 'Flaming Cliffs'. Made up of peaks and canyons in a striking fiery red and orange sandstone, the Flaming Cliffs are a spectacular sight. The area is especially important thanks to the vast number of dinosaur fossils that have been found – even the amateur eye can spot them as you wander through the canyon. Here, visit the dinosaur cemetery. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: ONGIIN KHIID MONASTERY

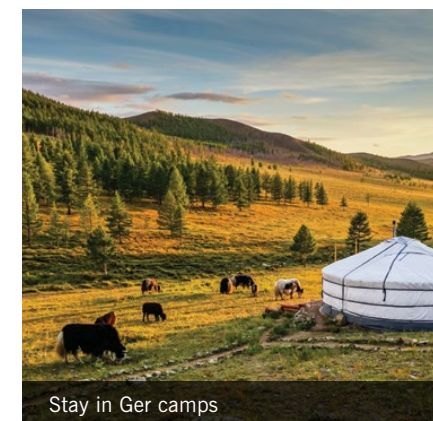
Journey to the banks of the Ongii River and view the atmospheric ruins of two monasteries – Barlim Khiid and Khutagt Khiid, which form Ongiin Khiid, formerly one of the largest monastic complexes in Mongolia. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: MT KHOGNO KHAN

Travel to the foot of the imposing Mt Khogno Khan and discover the remains of 17th Century Uvgun Khiid Monastery whilst enjoying the nature and mountain vistas. (B,L,D)

DAY 10: KHARKHORIN CITY

Enjoy the morning at leisure. After lunch, travel to Mongolia's former capital, Kharkhorin, situated on the Orkhon River, a spot handpicked by Genghis Khan in 1220. The city remained Mongolia's political, cultural and economic hub for only 40 years before power was transferred to Khanbaliq – now modern-day Beijing. After the collapse of the Mongolian Empire, the city was abandoned to the elements and destroyed by roving soldiers until its remains were used to build Erdene Zuu Khiid, Mongolia's first Buddhist monastery – which we visit today. (B,L,D)



Stay in Ger camps



Spend time by beautiful Lake Khovsgol

DAY 11: TSENKHER JIGUUR HOT SPRINGS

Enjoy the morning at leisure. After lunch, proceed to the volcanic hot springs of Tsenkher Jiguur. Surrounded by verdant scenery, enjoy time relaxing in the hot springs. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: GREAT WHITE LAKE

Enjoy the scenery of Terkhin Tsagaan Nuur (Great White Lake), set amongst the extinct volcanoes of the Khangai mountain range. The extinct Khorgo Volcano sits watching over the lake – hike up to the crater for wonderful views or walk along the lake shore where there are excellent opportunities for bird and wildlife spotting. Also visit Zayaiin Huree Monastery in Tsetserleg Town. (B,L,D)

DAY 13: JARGAL JIGUUR

Take a walk along the shores before driving to the Jargul Jiguur Ger camp. Enjoy a Mongolian barbeque in the evening. (B,L,D)

DAYS 14-15: LAKE KHOVSGOL

Journey to Lake Khovsgol, 'the Blue Pearl of Mongolia', which is surrounded by dense pine forests, lush meadows and soaring mountains. Spend two days surrounded by nature in this national park, enjoying the flora, fauna and incredible scenery. Also visit a reindeer breeding family. (B,L,D)

DAY 16: ULAANBAATAR

Fly to Ulaanbaatar. (B,L,D)

DAYS 17-19: NAADAM FESTIVAL

Spend the next three days enjoying the revelry of the traditional Naadam Festival. Starting on Nadaam Eve, visit Hui Doloon Khudag (horse racing field) and see the Mongol costumes on display in Central Square. (B,L,D)

Mix with the locals and nomads alike to witness the opening ceremony of the Naadam Festival, where featured events will include wrestling, horseracing and archery. Also see the procession of the athletes, officials and monks. This is a festival like no other and no doubt, one of the main highlights of the trip! (B,L,D)

DAY 20: TERELJ NATIONAL PARK

Head to Terelj National Park and soak up the beautiful alpine scenery, visiting the Genghis Khan statue complex en route. Explore Turtle Rock and take an easy hike up to the Aryabal Monastery, perched on the mountainside. Also visit a local family to get a glimpse of their nomadic lifestyle. Spend the night in a Ger camp. (B,L,D)

DAY 21: ULAANBAATAR

Return to Ulaanbaatar and visit the Bogd King Palace Museum and Zaisan Memorial Hill. After lunch, visit the Palaeontological Museum and pick up a souvenir at the Gobi cashmere factory and Souvenir store. In the evening, enjoy a traditional folklore performance and farewell dinner. (B,L,D)

DAY 22-23: FLY ULAANBAATAR TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B)

IMMERSE YOURSELF

GO BEYOND

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

Mongolia is a place of remote mystery. This tour is a journey of discovery through the land of Genghis Khan, traversing the endless plains to explore sites of immeasurable natural beauty. Expect many days of long driving.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
24 Jun - 16 Jul	\$10,580	08 Jul - 30 Jul	\$10,580
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24 Jun - 16 Jul	\$10,880	8 Jul - 30 Jul	\$10,880

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Traditional Mongolian costume

ROAD TO SAMARKAND

24 DAYS FROM
\$10,480
PER PERSON
FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE OR PERTH
ALL MEALS
PHYSICAL RATING **4**

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Watch horseback games
- ✓ Uncover Silk Road history
- ✓ Browse colourful bazaars
- ✓ Explore Bukhara's Ark Fortress
- ✓ Discover ancient Samarkand
- ✓ Cruise on Lake Issyk Kul

Discover Samarkand, the most notable name in Silk Road history

PRICE INCLUDES

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EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



ESSENTIAL DUBAI 3 DAYS FROM \$480pp

Dubai is full of futuristic architecture and cosmopolitan nightlife. Dig a little deeper and you'll find rich culture and a labyrinthine old city.

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Price based on twin share.
Additional flight costs apply.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY AUSTRALIA TO BISHKEK

Fly overnight to the city of Bishkek, capital of Kyrgyzstan. The rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture. In the evening, enjoy a traditional folklore show during dinner. (D)

DAY 3: HORSEBACK GAMES

Journey to Chon Kemin, a quiet valley with small villages surrounded by magnificent mountains and a fir forest. Take in the daily life in Ashu Village and witness horseback games, a nomadic tradition and custom of the Kyrgyz people. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: CHOLPON-ATA

Drive to Cholpon-Ata to see many animal petroglyphs etched into glacial stone and take a cruise on Lake Issyk Kul. Later, continue to Karakol. (B,L,D)

DAYS 5-6: EXPLORE KARAKOL

Visit the Przhnevsky Museum and examine the region's diverse religious influences with visits to the Holy Trinity Orthodox Church and the Chinese mosque. Take an afternoon stroll in Jety-Oguz Gorge and through the beautiful Valley of Flowers where you can enjoy horseback riding, visit a yurt and have a cup of tea or the Kyrgyz national beverage. Later, visit Irdyk village to see a local mosque and enjoy a home-cooked dinner with a local Dungan family. The next day, visit Skazka Canyon, known as Fairy Tale Canyon and Barskaun Gorge to take a light hike to a waterfall. Watch a demonstration of Eagle Hunting in Bokonbayevo village. Stay overnight in a Yurt Camp and try your hand at baking flatbread in a traditional oven. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: FELT WORKSHOP

Visit Kyzyl-Suu village to see the yurt installation process. Enjoy the breathtaking views as you continue to Naryn, stopping en route in Kochkor to visit a felt workshop and see the manufacturing of carpets. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: KYRGYZ NOMADS

Surrounded by broad summer pastures dotted with yurts, grazing cattle and mountains, travel to the alpine Son Kul Lake, the largest fresh water lake in Kyrgyzstan and experience the traditional life of Kyrgyz nomads. Continue over Terskei-Torpop Pass and travel back to Kochkor. Stay overnight at a homestay. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: EXPLORE BISHKEK

Return to Bishkek and visit the 12th Century Burana Tower en route. Known for its wide, leafy boulevards, marble faced buildings and Soviet-era architecture, Bishkek is the capital and largest city in Kyrgyzstan, located at the foothill of magnificent Kyrgyz Ala-Tau mountain range. This afternoon, visit Ala Too Square, Oak Park and the newly restored Museum of History. (B,L,D)

DAY 10: TASHKENT

Spend the day enjoying a leisurely hike in Ala Archa National Park. In the evening, fly to Tashkent, capital of Uzbekistan. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: EXPLORE NUKUS

Fly to Nukus and visit Savitskiy Museum, home to one of the finest collections of Soviet avant-garde art from the 1920s and 30s to gain an insight into the Central Asia's unique cultural heritage. Also explore Mizdahkan, an Islamic complex in Hojeli Village. (B,L,D)



Wander through local bazaars



Stroll in Jety Oguz Gorge



Explore ancient Khiva

DAY 12: DESERT FORTRESS

Discover the magnificent desert fortress of Chalpik Kala (Tower of Silence), Kizil Kala Fortress, Toprak Kala Fortress, Ayaz Kala and Kyrk-kyz Kala. Continue to Khiva. (B,L,D)

DAY 13: KUHNA ARK FORTRESS

The ancient city of Khiva has a long and turbulent history as part of the Silk Road and a slave trading post. This fascinating destination is lovely to explore – discover the magnificent 17th Century Kuhna Ark Fortress and wander around the many medressahs, mosques and minarets within the walled inner town called Itchan Kala. (B,L,D)

DAYS 14-16: SACRED BUKHARA

After a day's drive across the Kyzyl Kum Desert, arrive at the holiest city in Central Asia, Bukhara. Bukhara has a long history spanning 2,500 years and has an atmospheric old centre. Spend two days seeing the sights, with visits to Kalon Minaret, the Ark Fortress, Bolo Hauz Mosque, Chor Minor, Labi-Hauz Plaza and the summer residence of the last Bukharan Emirs where you will enjoy a cultural folk show in the evening. (B,L,D)

DAYS 17-19: SAMARKAND

Perhaps the most notable name in Silk Road history, Samarkand is a UNESCO World Heritage city with an evocative skyline of domes and minarets – it has a mystical presence. Drive to Samarkand via Shakhrisabz, the birthplace of the great historical leader Tamerlane and explore the sights of the city. Over the next two days, visit some of the many historical sites of Samarkand including Gur Emir Mausoleum, Registan Square with its

three beautiful madrasahs, the Bibi-Khanum Mosque, Shah-I-Zinda necropolis, Ulugh Beg Observatory and the Mausoleum of Prophet Daniil. Also, spend time at a paper making workshop in Konigil Village. (B,L,D)

DAY 20: SAMARKAND TO TASHKENT

Begin the return journey to Tashkent, passing through the impressive Gates of Tamerlane. The afternoon will be spent exploring this eccentric city, visiting the 16th Century Kukeldash Medressa, Kaffal Shashi Mausoleum, Khan Medressa and Khast Imom Complex. Also see the Chorsu Bazaar, a traditional market under a beautiful blue dome and the Crying Mother Monument. (B,L,D)

DAY 21: TASHKENT

Explore famous sights around Tashkent including the Museum of Applied Arts, the 1966 earthquake memorial, Independence Square, Alishedr Navoi Theatre and the Amir Timur Maydoni. Also explore Broadway Street where you will see local artisans and painters. (B,L,D)

DAY 22: TASHKENT TO ALMATY

This morning is at leisure before boarding your flight to Almaty, Kazakhstan for an overnight stay. (B,L,D)

DAYS 23-24: ALMATY VIA DUBAI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly from Almaty to Dubai and board your connecting flight to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B, L)

IMMERSE YOURSELF

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Journey through the heart of Central Asia. Discover ancient cities full of intricate Islamic architecture, thriving bazaars and a mystical old-world atmosphere - all linked to the Silk Road. Expect long drives on this tour.

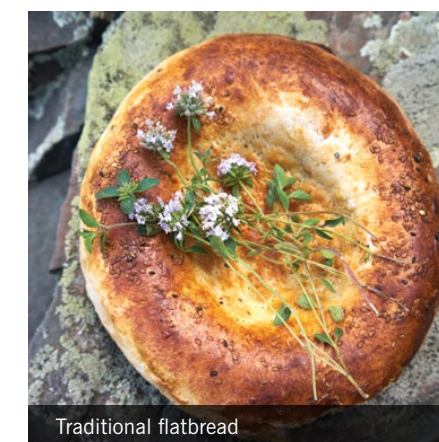
PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
21 May - 13 Jun	\$10,480	03 Sep - 26 Sep	\$10,480
2020 DATES			
19 May - 11 Jun	\$10,880	01 Sep - 24 Sep	\$10,880

Important note

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Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$120 (AU\$162) is paid locally in Kyrgyzstan & Uzbekistan



Traditional flatbread

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ALL MEALS

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Camp by Darvaza Crater
- ✓ Discover ancient Khiva
- ✓ Experience Almaty
- ✓ Visit Charyn Grand Canyon
- ✓ Uncover Silk Road History
- ✓ Explore the Valley of Flowers



Darvaza Flaming Crater

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- For departures from other cities, please contact reservations for pricing and details
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- Note: Day 5 accommodation will be camping

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Enjoy a half day coach tour of the city, which provides an insight into Dubai's rich history. Stop for photos at Jumeirah Mosque and the Presidential Palace, before visiting the Dubai Museum.

Please speak to a reservations consultant for full details or visit wendywutours.com.au
Price based on twin share.
Additional flight costs apply.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: AUSTRALIA TO ASHGABAT VIA DUBAI

Fly to Dubai and board your next flight to Ashgabat later this evening. (L,D)

DAY 2: ASHGABAT

Arrive this morning into Ashgabat, capital of Turkmenistan. Ashgabat translates to 'city of love' in Arabic. (B,L,D)

DAYS 3-4: EXPLORE ASHGABAT

Over the next two days, explore ancient Ashgabat. Visit the ruins of the Fortress of Nisa, stroll through the Park of Independence before visiting the impressive Ertugrul Gazi mosque. Admire the National Museum of History and Ethnography, and National Carpet Museum. Wander the colourful Russian bazaar and visit a stud farm to meet the 'winged' Akhal-Tekes horses. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: DARVAZA FLAMING CRATER

Embark on an exciting desert drive to Darvaza Crater. The crater is an 80m natural gas crater that has been alight for over 40 years and named by locals as the 'Gates of Hell' for its continuous orange flames. Camp beside the flickering crater this evening. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: DARVAZA TO KHIVA VIA DASOGUZ

Rise early and travel to Kunya-Urgench, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. This was once the capital of the medieval Khorezmshah Empire. Explore the 14th century mausoleum of Turabek Khanum, the minaret of Kutlug Timur, the mausoleum of Sultan Tekesh, the fabled al-Mamun's Academy of Sciences, and mausoleum of Il-Arslan. Cross the border to Khiva, Uzbekistan. (B,L,D)

DAYS 7-8: EXPLORE KHIVA

The ancient city of Khiva has a long and turbulent history as part of the Silk Road and a slave trading post. This fascinating destination is lovely to explore – wander around the many madrassahs, mosques and minarets within the ancient city walls. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: KHIVA TO BUKHARA

Travel to Bukhara across the famous Kyzyl Kum Desert. (B,L,D)

DAY 10: BUKHARA

Bukhara is the holiest city in Central Asia. Explore the historic sites including Labi-Hauz mosque. Admire the National Museum of History and Ethnography, and National Carpet Plaza, madrassahs, mosques and minarets. Stop by the 17th century Kuhna Ark Fortress and Bolo Hauz Mosque. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: SAMARKAND

Journey to Samarkand, a UNESCO World Heritage city with an evocative skyline of domes and minarets. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: SAMARKAND

Wander through Registan Square. See some beautiful madrassahs – the Tillya-Kori and the Sher Dor. Visit Gur Amir Mausoleum, Bibi-Khanyom Mosque, the Silk Road bazaar and Shah-I-Zinda necropolis. (B,L,D)

DAY 13: TASHKENT

Explore Ulugh Beg Observatory and pay a visit to the ancient settlement of Afrosiab. Head to Konigil village to visit a mulberry papermaking workshop. Return to Samarkand and board your train to Tashkent, the capital of Uzbekistan. (B,L,D)



Camels in Karakol



Chorsu Bazaar, Tashkent

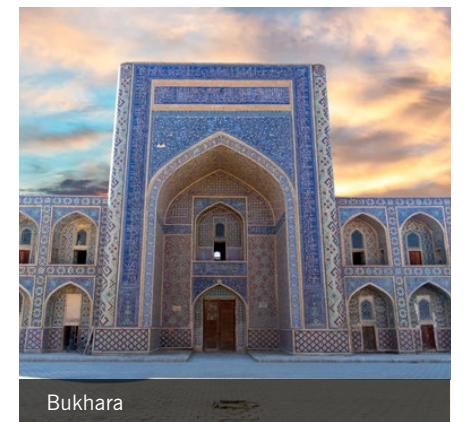
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Bukhara

DAY 14: TASHKENT

This morning, visit Tashkent's old town sites including, Barak Khana Seminary, Tila Shaikh mosque, Chorsu Bazaar and Kukeldash Madrassah. In the afternoon, visit the Museum of Applied Arts, Independence Square and Amir Temur Square. (B,L,D)

DAY 15: TASHKENT TO KHUJAND

Set out overland to Tajikistan. Cross the border and drive to Khujand, possibly an early settlement by Alexander the Great. Tour Pushkin Square, Kamoli Khudjandi Square, Timur Malik's Fortress and Sugd Museum, Muslihiddin memorial complex, Panjshanbe Bazaar and Arbob Palace. (B,L,D)

DAY 16: KHUJAND TO PANJIKENT

Drive to Panjikent via Istaravshan town. Located in the northern foothills of the Turkistan mountain range, Istaravshan is one of the oldest cities in Tajikistan, having existed for more than 2,500 years. Sightseeing will include Mugtepa Fortress, Kok Gumbaz 15th Timurid Mosque, Sar-i-Mazor complex. Visit a local bazaar to see local metalworkers and woodworkers. Later, continue to Panjikent in the Zerafshan Valley. (B,L,D)

DAY 17: PANJIKENT TO DUSHANBE

Explore Rudaki Historic-Ethnographic Museum and an ancient Panjikent settlement. Enjoy lunch in a traditional Chaikhana, where you can taste the local delicacy, plov. Continue to Dushanbe and take in the beautiful Iskanderkul lake en route. (B,L,D)

DAY 18: DUSHANBE & HISSAR

Visit the monument of Ismoil Somoni and Rudaki Park. Continue to Hissar to see the

ancient fortress. Explore Madrassah Kuhna and the Museum of Tajik Way of Life. (B,L,D)

DAY 19: FLY TO ALMATY

Visit the famous Museum of National Antiquities. Later, fly to Almaty, Kazakhstan. (B,L,D)

DAY 20: ALMATY

A busy day of sightseeing awaits! Learn about the history of Kazakhstan at the Central State Museum. Stroll through Republic Square and visit the Abai Opera and Ballet Theatre, Central mosque, the Green market and the President's residence. You will also visit Zenkov Cathedral and the Museum of National Musical Instruments. In the afternoon, drive to Medeo to see the famous skating rink set in a stunning valley location. (B,L,D)

DAY 21: KARAKOL & CHARYN

Travel to Karakol via Charyn. Visit the magnificent Charyn Canyon. Descend into the canyon, to the Valley of Castles for a light hike. Continue to Karakol. (B,L,D)

DAY 22: KARAKOL

Visit a Chinese mosque and the striking Holy Trinity Orthodox Cathedral. In the afternoon, travel to the Valley of the Flowers and Jety-Oguz for a light hike through the magnificent canyon. Watch an eagle hunting show. (B,L,D)

DAY 23: KARAKOL TO ASHU VILLAGE

Travel to Chon Kemin valley. En route explore the unique Museum of Nikolai Przhevalskii. Visit the Semenov Gorge and drive along the shore of Issyk Kul. In Cholpon-ata, explore the petroglyphs that date back to the 8th century. Chon-Kemin is a unique, pristine nature reserve. (B,L,D)

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES

06 Sept - 01 Oct **\$12,690**

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Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$230 (AU\$315) is paid locally in Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan.

DAY 24: ASHU VILLAGE TO BISHKEK

Take a peaceful walk through the foothills and village. After lunch, continue to Bishkek. En route, stop by the Burana Tower. In Bishkek, tour the Manas Monument and Ala Too Square. (B,L,D)

DAY 25-26: BISHKEK TO AUSTRALIA VIA DUBAI

Fly to Dubai before boarding your connecting flight to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B)



DELUXE COLLECTION CHINA TOURS

Designed for the most discerning of travellers, our Deluxe Collection offers exclusive experiences and indulgent extras that allow you to explore China and its surrounding region in fabulous style.

WHY CHOOSE A DELUXE TOUR?

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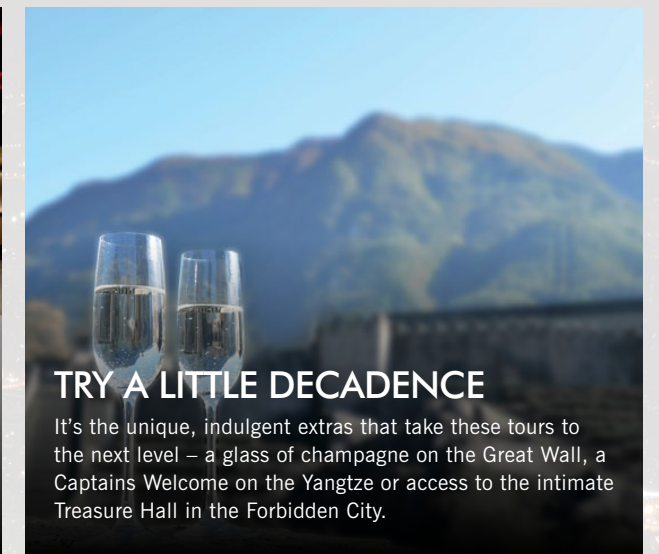
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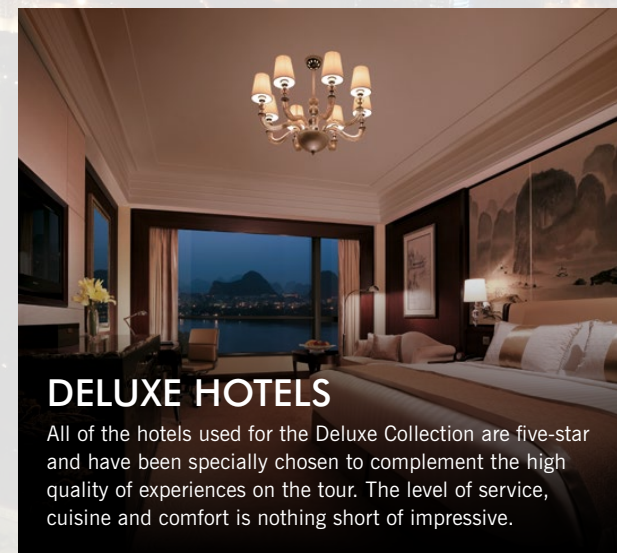
IMMERSIVE EXPERIENCES

The exclusive experiences on these tours are designed to truly immerse you in China. Uncover the secrets of the Terracotta Warriors with the farmer who discovered them in 1974, and meet a Panda expert in Chengdu.



TRY A LITTLE DECADENCE

It's the unique, indulgent extras that take these tours to the next level – a glass of champagne on the Great Wall, a Captains Welcome on the Yangtze or access to the intimate Treasure Hall in the Forbidden City.



DELUXE HOTELS

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SUMPTUOUS DINING

You'll dine in handpicked restaurants, chosen not only to give you a taste of the best food at each location, but to provide memorable experience, such as dining with the Captain whilst cruising.

DELUXE TOURS	DAYS	PAGE	GREAT WALL	WARRIORS	PANDAS	YANGTZE	SHANGHAI	GUILIN
Exquisite China	15 days	94	•	•	•	•	•	
Legends of China	17 days	96	•	•	•	•	•	•



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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

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- ✓ Talk about pandas with an expert
- ✓ Sip champagne on the Great Wall



Sip champagne on the Great Wall in Beijing

PRICE INCLUDES

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- Domestic transportation
- Deluxe accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders
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- Mid-tour laundry service
- Soft drinks with lunch; soft drinks, local beer & wine with dinner

PRICE GUIDE

- 15 days inclusive twin share from \$8,780 per person departing Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
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Enjoy a cocktail and admire Shanghai's skyline

ITINERARY

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Begin the day like many locals with gentle exercise, as you partake in a private Tai Chi lesson with a master in the Temple of Heaven Park. Cross vast Tiananmen Square to the Forbidden City and enter the intimate Treasure Hall, a glittering showcase of royal life. In the evening, dine on Peking duck. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: CHAMPAGNE ON THE GREAT WALL

Ride the cable car up the beautiful Mutianyu section, stopping at an ideal spot to enjoy a glass of champagne whilst admiring the views of the Wall as it snakes over craggy peaks. Return to Beijing via the Jade Factory, then take a rickshaw ride through the traditional hutongs where you will stop for a lesson in calligraphy with a learned scholar. Enjoy a free evening at lively Houhai Lake. (B,L)

DAY 4: ANCIENT CITY WALLS

Fly to Xian. Walk on the 14th Century walls for an excellent overview of the city and enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. (B,L)

DAY 5: THE TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of the life-size warriors and horses in the company of an expert. We have also exclusively arranged for you to meet one of the farmers who stumbled upon them in 1974. Also visit the workshop of the craftsmen who recreate Terracotta Warriors in style of their ancient counterparts and buy a souvenir

(or two!) to take home. With the evening at leisure, you may also wish to take an optional night tour of the city which includes the dazzling fountain display in front of the Big Wild Goose Pagoda (at your own expense). (B,L,D)

DAY 6: TRAVEL TO CHENGDU

Explore Hanyangling Mausoleum and visit the restoration laboratory. The artefacts recovered here give a fascinating insight into daily life during the Western Han Dynasty. Fly to Chengdu, where the evening is at leisure with the option (at your own expense) to puzzle over a national secret at the Sichuan Opera – the face-changing art of Bian Lian. (B,L)

DAY 7: PANDAS WITH AN EXPERT

Visit Chengdu's Panda Centre, where an expert will talk to you about the centre's work and the pandas themselves as you observe these peaceful bears. Stroll through the vibrant People's Park, one of the city's social hubs. Visit Matchmaker's Corner to see parents searching through reams of notices looking for worthy suitors for their sons and daughters before sipping tea in a traditional teahouse. This evening, sit down to the quintessential Sichuanese dining experience – hot pot. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: CRUISE THE YANGTZE RIVER

Transfer to Chongqing and take a relaxed exploration of Ciqiyou, a historic district full of traditional architecture with time for your own leisurely lunch. Board your Century Yangtze cruise ship. (B,D)



Explore the Forbidden City



Enjoy Zhujiajiao's canals



Learn the art of calligraphy in Beijing

DAY 9: CAPTAIN'S WELCOME

The Yangtze has played a pivotal role in the history, culture and economy of China – this voyage is the perfect way to get an insight into its importance. The first excursion will be to Shibaozhai, a hilltop pagoda. This evening the captain will host a welcome reception before a lavish dinner is served. (B,L,D)

DAY 10: DRAMATIC YANGTZE GORGES

Prepare for breathtaking vistas as we sweep through the Wu and Qutang gorges before sailing along the scenic Shennong Stream on a sampan to explore further. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: THREE GORGES DAM PROJECT

The Three Gorges Dam is a massive feat of engineering that saw the century-old dreams of Chinese luminaries come to fruition. It is difficult to not be awestruck as you stand on the viewing platform. Disembark and fly to Shanghai. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: ZHUJIAJIAO WATER TOWN

Travel to the 1,700-year-old water town of Zhujiajiao which boasts old stone bridges, wood-panelled houses and numerous atmospheric waterways once used to transport goods. Return to Shanghai and enjoy an optional acrobat show or a cruise on the Huangpu River (at your own expense). (B,L)

DAY 13: STYLISH SHANGHAI

Visit the old town, Yu Garden, colonial Bund, Silk Factory and the Shanghai Museum. Enjoy a farewell dinner then end the tour with a cocktail at Cloud 9 in Jin Mao Tower, with views of the Pudong skyline. (B,L,D)

DAYS 14-15: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

Transfer to the airport for your flight back to the Australia, arriving home the same or following day. On arrival you will be transported home by chauffeured transfer. (B)

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GUILIN, YANGSHUO & LONGJI SHORT STAY 5 DAYS FROM \$1,130pp

The Li River flows languidly through a landscape of karst towers and tranquil rural scenes. Both the city of Guilin and town of Yangshuo nestle amongst this glorious scenery whilst the iconic Longji rice terraces are just a short trip away.

See page 111.
Price based on twin share in a deluxe room. Additional flight costs apply.

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Departure coincides with Golden Week celebrations and sightseeing may be affected.

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MOST MEALS

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Sip cocktails at Jin Mao Tower

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DAY 5: THE TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

View the enigmatic ranks of the Terracotta Warriors and horses in the company of an expert. We have also exclusively arranged for you to meet one of the farmers who stumbled upon them in 1974 to hear his story.

Visit the Xian Art Ceramics and Lacquer Workshop before returning to the city. Later, study with local dumpling chefs to learn the art of creating these cultural delicacies and enjoy these for dinner. You may also wish to take an optional night tour of the city which includes the dazzling fountain display in front of the Big Wild Goose Pagoda (at your own expense). (B,L,D)

DAY 6: BEAUTIFUL GUILIN

Explore Hanyangling Mausoleum and visit the restoration laboratory. The artefacts recovered here, viewable from the glass walkways above, give a fascinating insight into daily life during the Western Han Dynasty. Fly to Guilin and enjoy time at leisure. (B,L)

DAY 7: CRUISE THE LI RIVER

Take a relaxing cruise on the Li River to Yangshuo. On arrival, enjoy a delicious dinner before taking your VIP seats for 'Impression Liu Sanjie', a light spectacular that perfectly utilises the karst landscape as a theatre and the Li River as a stage. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: AT LEISURE IN YANGSHUO

Take a walking tour of Yangshuo's idyllic, karst-studded countryside and stop for a photo opportunity on the banks of the Li River and meet a cormorant fisherman. Spend the afternoon relaxing or enjoy an optional activity including cycling or rafting (at your own expense). (B)

DAY 9: CORMORANT FISHING

Return to Guilin by road. Take a walking tour to see the Sun and Moon pagodas and stroll around Guilin's vibrant West Lake area before visiting the South China Pearl Factory to discover the fascinating 1,700 year history of



Sip champagne on the Great Wall



Relax on a Yangtze River cruise



Savour Peking Duck

pearling in the South China Sea. (B)

DAY 10: CRUISE THE YANGTZE RIVER

Fly to Chongqing, where you will visit China's celebrated bear at Chongqing Zoo's dedicated Panda House. Later, board your Century Yangtze cruise ship. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: CAPTAIN'S WELCOME

The Yangtze has played a pivotal role in the history, culture and economy of China – this voyage is the perfect way to get an insight into its importance. The first excursion will be to Shibaozhai, a hilltop pagoda beside the river. This evening the captain will host a welcome reception before a lavish dinner is served. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: DRAMATIC YANGTZE GORGES

Prepare for breathtaking vistas as we sweep through the Wu and Qutang gorges before heading up the scenic Shennong Stream on a sampan to explore further. (B,L,D)

DAY 13: THREE GORGES DAM

The Three Gorges Dam is a massive feat of engineering that saw the century-old dreams of Chinese luminaries come to fruition. Created to harness the power of the Yangtze, it is difficult to not be awestruck as you stand on the viewing platform. Also visit the Three Gorges Dam exhibition centre. Disembark and fly to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai. (B,L,D)

DAY 14: ZHUJIAJIAO WATER TOWN

Travel to the 1,700-year-old water town of Zhujiajiao which boasts old stone bridges, wood-panelled houses and numerous atmospheric waterways once used to transport goods. Return to Shanghai and enjoy an optional acrobatic

show or a stunning cruise on the Huangpu River (at your own expense). (B,L)

DAY 15: STYLISH SHANGHAI

Sightseeing today begins with a visit to the Yu Gardens, the old town and the Silk Factory. Also take a stroll along the Bund to see the colonial architecture, before admiring the collections of the Shanghai Museum. Enjoy a farewell dinner this evening before toasting the end of the tour with a cocktail at Cloud 9 in Jin Mao Tower with views of the Pudong skyline. (B,L,D)

DAYS 16-17: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

Transfer to the airport for your flight back home, arriving the same or following day. On arrival you will be transported home by chauffeured transfer. (B)



ZHANGJIAJIE SCENIC WONDER 5 DAYS FROM \$1,460pp

A stunning location that is famous worldwide for its unique natural scenery, sandstone pillars, and for being the inspiration for scenery in the movie Avatar.

See page 111.
Price based on twin share in a deluxe room. Additional flight costs apply.

LEGENDS OF CHINA

DELUXE

YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE

Experience natural grandeur and imperial treasures, witness man-made marvels and ultra-modern miracles, as you make your way from Beijing to Shanghai in style. Also included is a deluxe cruise on the Yangtze River.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

2019 DATES			
11 Apr - 27 Apr	\$9,480	05 Sep - 21 Sep	\$9,180
09 May - 25 May	\$9,480	19 Sep - 05 Oct #	\$9,180
23 May - 08 Jun	\$9,480	10 Oct - 26 Oct	\$9,480
2020 DATES			
09 Apr - 25 Apr	\$9,780	03 Sep - 19 Sep	\$9,480
07 May - 23 May	\$9,780	17 Sep - 03 Oct #	\$9,480
21 May - 06 Jun	\$9,780	08 Oct - 24 Oct	\$9,780

Important note

Above prices include airline fuel surcharges and taxes. Correct as at 12-Sep-18 and subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart/and or arrive on Day 2 or require extra nights pre or post tour accommodation or stopovers at additional cost.
Departure coincides with Golden Week celebrations and sightseeing may be affected.
Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB 1,190 (AU\$243) is paid locally in China.



TAILOR-MADE HOLIDAYS

If you want your own personal adventure, visiting exactly the places you want to go then a Tailor-Made Holiday is for you. Whatever your interests, whoever you want to travel with, whatever you'd like to experience, we can help you create your own journey through China and beyond.

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Mix and match what you love from our itineraries to make your own perfect holiday; you're limited only by your dreams. Our travel consultants can't wait to work with you to create a unique itinerary from the hotels, destinations and even experiences featured in any of our tours.

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Perhaps you love one of our group tours, but it doesn't quite fit in with your plans? Most of our tours can be turned into your own private holiday, to be shared with family, friends or simply your camera, accompanied by an expert Local Guide.

SHORT STAYS

Why not extend your adventure by exploring China and its surrounds? At the beginning or end of any of our group tours or Tailor-Made Holidays, you can add on a short stay in another amazing destination around this fascinating region.

STOPOVERS

Many of our airline partners include a stopover in exciting cities throughout Asia. Include a stopover in your holiday, either travelling to or from your tour, and add a whole new cultural experience to your trip.

A CHINA EXPERIENCE

9 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Cosmopolitan Shanghai
- ✓ Zhujiajiao Canal Town
- ✓ Qin Shi Huang's Terracotta Army
- ✓ The Great Wall

NOW MAKE IT YOURS:

Want to add a restaurant you'd like to try, or to swap one of these destination stops? That's what Tailor-Made Holidays are all about. Our travel consultants can make this itinerary perfect for you.

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$2,590	\$2,990
Superior	\$2,990	\$3,590
Deluxe	\$3,990	\$5,590

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year's Eve surcharges apply.

Price includes

- 8 nights accommodation
- Transportation in China including internal flights
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Meals as listed



Ancient City Wall in Xian



Temple of Heaven in Beijing

ITINERARY

DAY 1: ARRIVE SHANGHAI

Upon arrival at Shanghai airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel for a three night stay.

DAY 2: SHANGHAI – ZHUJIAJIAO

Travel to Zhujiajiao, a picturesque town with an intricate system of canals, ancient pavilions and overhead bridges. Enjoy time to explore the town at a leisurely pace, before returning to Shanghai. (B)

DAY 3: SHANGHAI EXPLORATIONS

Wander through the Yu Gardens and the bustling old town. Stroll along the Bund to see its collection of neoclassical buildings and visit a silk factory. This evening enjoy a cruise along the Huangpu River. (B,L)

DAY 4: SHANGHAI TO XIAN

Fly to Xian. This evening feast on a traditional Shui Jiao Dumpling banquet, while enjoying a performance of music and dance dating back to the Tang Dynasty. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

Explore one of the most significant archaeological discoveries of the 20th century, the life-sized Terracotta Warriors and Horses. You will visit the Xian Art Ceramics and Lacquer Exhibition and walk along the ancient City Wall (B,L).

DAY 6: XIAN TO BEIJING

Visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda before strolling through the Muslim Quarter and exploring the Islamic food markets. In the afternoon, fly to Beijing. (B,L)

DAY 7: IMPERIAL BEIJING

Stroll through Tiananmen Square, passing Chairman Mao's Mausoleum. Visit the Forbidden City and the 15th-century Temple of Heaven. This afternoon watch an exciting acrobatics performance. (B,L)

DAY 8: GREAT WALL

It is often said in Beijing that 'you have not been to China until you have climbed the Great Wall'. It is more than 5,000km long, stretching from the Shanhaiguan Pass on the east coast to the Gobi Desert in the west. Walk along the wall and take in the panoramic views. Visit a jade factory and later this afternoon you will wander through the Summer Palace, admiring the landscaped beauty. This evening sample the local delicacy, Peking Duck. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: DEPART BEIJING

After check-out this morning you will be transferred to Beijing airport where your arrangements end. (B)

MAJESTIC YANGTZE

13 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Four-night Yangtze cruise
- ✓ Giant Pandas in Chengdu
- ✓ Qin Shi Huang's Terracotta Army
- ✓ The Great Wall

NOW MAKE IT YOURS:

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Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$3,590	\$4,490
Superior	\$3,990	\$4,990
Deluxe	\$4,990	\$7,890

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year's Eve surcharges apply.

Price includes

- 12 nights accommodation
- Transportation in China including internal flights
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Meals as listed

NOTE: Price includes Victoria Cruises service levy of RMB150 (AUD30) per person. This is to be paid upon boarding your cruise, not to Wendy Wu Tours. Tipping for the rest of your tour is at your own discretion.



Shanghai at dusk



Yangtze River

ITINERARY

DAY 1: ARRIVE SHANGHAI

Upon arrival at Shanghai airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel for a two night stay.

DAY 2: SHANGHAI

Visit the Yu Gardens, the old town, a silk factory and stroll along the Bund. This evening, cruise along the Huangpu River. (B,L)

DAY 3: SHANGHAI TO YANGTZE RIVER

Explore Pudong before flying to Wuhan. From there, transfer to Yichang, the boarding point for your four night Yangtze River cruise. (B,L)

DAY 4: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

Tour the Three Gorges Dam. Pass through Xiling Gorge, the longest and deepest of the Three Gorges. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

Cruise through Wu Gorge, known for its forest-covered mountains and continue through Qutang Gorge, the shortest, narrowest and most dramatic gorge. Take a shore excursion along the quiet beauty of the Shennong Stream or Goddess Stream. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

Explore Shibaozhai, an ancient 12-storey pavilion. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: CHONGQING TO CHENGDU

Disembark in Chongqing and take a bullet train to Chengdu. This evening enjoy a Sichuan banquet. (B,D)

DAY 8: CHENGDU TO XIAN

Visit the Panda Research Centre. Travel by bullet train to Xian. (B,L)

DAY 9: XIAN

Visit the Terracotta Warriors and Horses, Xian Art Ceramics and Lacquer Exhibition and the ancient City Wall. This evening feast on a traditional Shui Jiao Dumpling banquet while watching a performance of music and dance dating back to the Tang Dynasty. (B,L,D)

DAY 10: XIAN TO BEIJING

See the Little Wild Goose Pagoda, the Xian Museum, stroll through the Muslim Quarter and explore the Islamic food markets. This afternoon, fly to Beijing. (B,L)

DAY 11: BEIJING

Stroll through the expansive Tiananmen Square, passing Chairman Mao's Mausoleum, visit the Forbidden City and the Temple of Heaven. (B,L)

DAY 12: BEIJING

Walk along the famous Great Wall of China, wander through the Summer Palace and visit a jade factory. This evening sample the local delicacy, Peking Duck. (B,L,D)

DAY 13: DEPART BEIJING

After check-out this morning, transfer to Beijing airport where your arrangements end. (B)

GLORIES OF CHINA

13 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ See historic Beijing’s Forbidden City
- ✓ Cruise the Li River
- ✓ Walk The Great Wall

NOW MAKE IT YOURS:

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Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$3,180	\$3,980
Superior	\$3,480	\$4,480
Deluxe	\$5,280	\$7,940

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year’s Eve surcharges apply.

Price includes

- 12 nights accommodation
- Transportation in China including internal flights
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Meals as listed



The UNESCO listed Great Wall



Cruise the Li River

ITINERARY

DAY 1: ARRIVE SHANGHAI

Upon arrival at Shanghai airport, you will be met and transferred to your hotel.

DAY 2: ZHUJIAJIAO

Travel to Zhujiajiao, one of Shanghai’s sleepy water towns and explore this charming place. Return to Shanghai and visit the Shanghai Museum before admiring magnificent architecture with a stroll along the Bund. This evening, enjoy a meal of Shanghaiese cuisine. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Start with a visit to the peaceful Yu Garden, pass through the old town and visit the Silk Factory. View the city at night from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: SEVEN STAR PARK

Fly to the scenic city of Guilin. Enjoy a stroll through Seven Star Park and explore spectacular formations of Seven Star Cave. (B,L)

DAY 5: LI RIVER CRUISE

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view to take your breath away. (B,L)

DAY 6: YANGSHUO

Yangshuo sits in an exquisite rural location. Spend the morning exploring the countryside and enjoy the afternoon at leisure. (B,L)

DAY 7: GUILIN

Return to Guilin. Stroll around Ronghu Lake and admire the Sun and Moon pagodas. (B,L)

DAY 8: TANG DYNASTY DANCING

Fly to Xian and visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda before feasting on traditional Shui Jiao dumplings and watching a lively performance of Tang Dynasty dancing. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors, followed by a visit to the workshop of the craftsmen who recreate Terracotta Warriors. Later, stroll on the preserved 14th Century walls. (B,L)

DAY 10: BULLET TRAIN TO BEIJING

Board the bullet train to Beijing, the capital of China. Enjoy a fascinating rickshaw ride through the warren-like hutongs. (B,L)

DAY 11: THE GREAT WALL

Soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven. Head to Beijing’s symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square, and stroll into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. This evening, savour Beijing’s best-known delicacy – Peking duck. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: FORBIDDEN CITY

This morning is dedicated to China’s most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure. In the afternoon, enjoy the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace. End the day watching a Chinese acrobatic show. (B,L,D)

DAYS 13: DEPART BEIJING

After check-out this morning you will be transferred to Beijing airport where your arrangements end. (B)

WONDERS OF CHINA

15 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Sail the Yangtze for 4 nights
- ✓ View the Terracotta Warriors
- ✓ See Shanghai’s Yu Gardens

NOW MAKE IT YOURS:

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Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$4,190	\$5,390
Superior	\$4,490	\$5,690
Deluxe	\$5,690	\$8,680

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year’s Eve surcharges apply.

Price includes

- 14 nights accommodation
- Transportation in China including internal flights
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Meals as listed

NOTE: Price includes Victoria Cruises service levy of RMB150 (AUD30) per person. This is to be paid upon boarding your cruise, not to Wendy Wu Tours. Tipping for the rest of your tour is at your own discretion.



See the Terracotta Warriors



Walk to The Great Wall

ITINERARY

DAY 1: ARRIVE BEIJING

Upon arrival at Beijing airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel for a three night stay.

DAY 2: BEIJING

Stroll through Tiananmen Square, passing Chairman Mao’s Mausoleum. Visit the Forbidden City and the Temple of Heaven. Enjoy a rickshaw ride through the Hutong area. This evening sample the local delicacy, Peking Duck. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: BEIJING

Wander along the Great Wall, visit a jade factory and explore the Summer Palace. (B,L)

DAY 4: BEIJING TO XIAN

Fly to Xian and visit the Xian Museum. (B,L)

DAY 5: XIAN

Discover the Terracotta Warriors and Horses, visit the Xian Art Ceramics and Lacquer Exhibition and walk along the ancient City Wall. This evening feast on a traditional Shui Jiao Dumpling banquet while enjoying a performance of music and dance dating back to the Tang Dynasty. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: XIAN TO YANGTZE RIVER

Fly to Wuhan. Travel by bullet train to Yichang to board your four night Yangtze River cruise. (B,L)

DAYS 7-9: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

Tour the Three Gorges Dam and embark your

cruise. Enjoy shore excursions and explore the fascinating landscape of the Yangtze and the quiet tributary streams. (B,L,D)

DAY 10: CHONGQING TO GUILIN

Disembark your cruise in Chongqing and visit the Panda House at Chongqing Zoo. Fly to beautiful Guilin. (B,L)

DAY 11: GUILIN TO YANGSHUO

Cruise along the Li River to the town of Yangshuo. Enjoy the evening at your leisure to unwind and visit the markets. (B,L)

DAY 12: YANGSHUO TO GUILIN

Explore the rural countryside around Yangshuo and return by road to Guilin airport. En route visit the Reed Flute Cave and the South China Pearl factory. (B,L)

DAY 13: GUILIN TO SHANGHAI

Fly to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai. View the antiquities at the Shanghai Museum and meet the locals in the neighbouring People’s Square. (B,L)

DAY 14: SHANGHAI

Wander through the Yu Gardens, the Old Town and a silk factory. Stroll along the famous Bund and visit the Xintiandi area. This evening enjoy a cruise along the Huangpu River. (B,L)

DAY 15: DEPART SHANGHAI

After check-out this morning you will be transferred to Shanghai airport where your arrangements end. (B)

YANGTZE RIVER CRUISING

The Yangtze River is the longest river in China and the third longest in the world. It is approximately 6,300km long, has its origins high up in the snow-covered mountain of Tanggula Shan in the southwestern Qinghai Tibet Plateau and runs into the East China Sea at Shanghai. Take an amazing journey down China’s Yangtze River, unquestionably one of the world’s greatest waterways.

VICTORIA CRUISES

For over 20 years, American-owned Victoria Cruises has been a leader in Yangtze River cruising. With one of the largest fleets on the river, outstanding service and itineraries, Victoria Cruises is well placed to deliver an unrivalled Chinese river cruising experience.



UPGRADE TO EXECUTIVE AMENITIES PROGRAMME

- Pure Yangtze (see below):**
From \$165 per person (twin share).
From \$285 (sole traveller)
- Receive the following benefits:**
- Deck upgrade to a Superior Cabin on the Promenade Deck or higher
 - Welcome fruit basket
 - Complimentary morning coffee and tea service
 - Complimentary wi-fi in the Executive Lounge and lobby
 - Complimentary tea, coffee and soft drinks in the Executive Lounge
 - Choose to dine in either of the two dining rooms; one which offers buffet breakfast, lunch and dinner or the a la carte restaurant which offers buffet breakfast and lunch, and an à la carte menu at dinner (choice to be made on embarkation)
 - Complimentary ‘Happy Hour’ one hour before dinner in the Executive Lounge (including house wine, beer and soft drinks)
 - Complimentary house wine and beer during dinner

PURE YANGTZE

5 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Visit the Three Gorges Dam
- ✓ Cruise Qutang Gorge
- ✓ Explore Ancient Shibozhai



UPSTREAM ITINERARY

- DAY 1: YICHANG – YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE**
Upon arrival in Yichang, you will be met and transferred to Maoping Pier where you will board your Victoria Cruises vessel for the next four nights (embarkation is prior to 2100hrs).
- DAY 2: THREE GORGES DAM**
Enjoy a visit to the Three Gorges Dam. This afternoon you will pass through Xiling Gorge, before continuing along the Yangtze River. (B,L,D)
- DAY 3: SHENNONG STREAM**
Cruise through Wu Gorge, known for its quiet beauty and forest covered mountains. Continue through Qutang Gorge, the shortest, narrowest and most dramatic gorge. Take a shore excursion along the Shennong Steam. (B,L,D)
- DAY 4: SHIBAOZHAI**
Explore Shibaozhai, an ancient 12-storey pavilion. (B,L,D)
- DAY 5: DISEMBARK IN CHONGQING**
Disembark at Chongqing wharf this morning (approximately 0900hrs) where you will be met and transferred to Chongqing airport/railway station where your arrangements end. (B)
- NOTE:** ^ Downstream itinerary 4D/3N (Chongqing to Yichang) also available.
- NOTE:** The itinerary is subject to change due to local conditions. A daily schedule for the following day will be placed in your cabin every evening. Contact our reservations department for cruise departure dates as cruises may not operate every day.
- TIPPING:** Price includes Victoria Cruises service charge of RMB150 (\$30AUD) per person which is to be paid upon boarding your cruise, not to Wendy Wu Tours.

SANCTUARY YANGZI EXPLORER

The Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer brings new levels of luxury to cruising in China, with the largest suites and cabins on the river, all with private balconies. This boutique hotel will steer you to dramatic destination while you enjoy the finest and most personalised service on the Yangtze.

CABINS
All cabins boast floor-to-ceiling windows providing access to private balconies with outdoor armchairs and coffee tables. In addition to a choice of king or twin beds, connecting cabins are also available. All cabins are equipped with private bathroom, hairdryer, safety deposit box, mini bar and LCD satellite television.

DINING
Dining on board the Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer is your chance to savour traditional Chinese cooking at its finest. With an a-la-carte menu and cooking lessons from our executive chef for all ages, you can enjoy and learn to cook local delicacies.

HUANG DING SPA
In the Huang Ding Spa there are six individual treatment rooms and a variety of beauty treatments on offer to guests using the best Italian Spa products from ‘Comfort Zone’. The new Spa has been described as a haven of relaxation and tranquillity, offering beauty treatments and body massages to rejuvenate and bring the body back to balance. The beauty salon offers a variety of hair styling, manicures and more.



SANCTUARY YANGZI EXPLORER

5 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Visit the Shennong Stream by Sampan
- ✓ Cruise through Wu & Qutang Gorges
- ✓ See the ancient town of Fuling

Prices are from per person, based on low season*		
SEASON	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Upstream	\$2,040	\$3,720
Downstream ^	\$2,040	\$3,720

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year’s Eve surcharges apply.

- Price includes**
- 4 nights accommodation in Deluxe Twin Cabin on Main Deck on the Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer ship
 - Private transfers as specified
 - Shore Excursions and entrance fees
 - Meals as listed
 - Local English speaking guides
 - Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer compulsory service charge (paid locally)



ITINERARY

- DAY 1: YICHANG – EMBARK SANCTUARY CRUISES**
Upon arrival at Yichang airport/railway station, you will be met and transferred to Maoping Pier and embark on your four-night cruise through the Three Gorges on board the Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer (Embarkation prior to 2100hrs).
- DAY 2: XILING GORGE & THREE GORGES DAM**
Start your morning with a traditional Tai Chi lesson as you cruise through Xiling Gorge. After lunch, visit the Three Gorges Project Dam Site and Exhibition Centre to learn more about the dam’s construction during a private lecture. Enjoy an afternoon lecture about Traditional Chinese Medicine. This evening, enjoy a Captain’s Welcome Reception followed by dinner. (B,L,D)
- DAY 3: SHENNONG STREAM, QUTANG GORGE & WU GORGE**
This morning’s shore excursion is an exploration of Shennong Stream by sampan – a traditional longboat rowed by local Tujia boatmen. Fringing the tributary is verdant forest and evidence of early settlements in the form of hanging coffins high within the cliff walls. Back on board the ship, cruise through Wu Gorge and Qutang Gorge. (B,L,D)
- DAY 4: FULING**
Today choose one of the following shore excursions: 816 Underground Project, the world’s largest artificial military cave or White Crane Ridge Underwater Project and a visit to a local market. Delight in a sumptuous farewell dinner this evening. (B,L,D)
- DAY 5: DISEMBARK IN CHONGQING**
Disembark the cruise in Chongqing this morning (approximately 0900hrs) where you will be met and transferred to Chongqing airport/railway station where your arrangements conclude. (B)
- NOTE:** ^ Downstream itinerary 4D/3N (Chongqing to Yichang) also available
- NOTE:** The itinerary is subject to change due to local conditions. A daily schedule for the following day will be placed in your cabin every evening. Contact our reservations department for cruise departure dates as cruises may not operate every day.
- TIPPING:** Price includes Sanctuary Yangzi service charge of RMB 446 (\$91 AUD) per person which is to be paid upon boarding your cruise, not to Wendy Wu Tours.

BEYOND THE GREAT WALL

2 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Wak the Great Wall Jinshanling section
- ✓ 2 half days to explore



Walk The Great Wall

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$695	\$1,340

* Shoulder and high season surcharges apply.

NOTE: Hikers should be in good physical condition. Valid for travel from April to October only.

Price includes

- 1 night accommodation
- Private transfers & touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guides
- Entrance fees
- Meals as listed

DAY 1: BEIJING TO THE GREAT WALL

You will be met at your Beijing hotel and transferred to your accommodation close to the Jinshanling section of the Great Wall. Construction began on the Jinshanling section during the rule of the Ming Dynasty. This part of the Great Wall is 11 kilometres long, 7-8 metres high and 5-6 metres wide and is made from brick and stone. Later this afternoon, enjoy a half-day walk along the Great Wall. (L)

DAY 2: THE GREAT WALL TO BEIJING

Rise early this morning and enjoy another half-day walk along the Great Wall, taking in the view of the surrounding landscape. Later you will be transferred to your Beijing hotel or Beijing airport where your arrangements end. (B)

XIAN SHORT STAY

3 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ See the Terracotta Warriors
- ✓ Walk the ancient City Wall
- ✓ Explore buzzing Xian



The City Wall, Xian

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$340	\$495
Superior	\$395	\$620
Deluxe	\$470	\$880

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year's Eve surcharges apply.

Price includes

- 2 nights accommodation
- Private touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- Meals as listed

DAY 1: ARRIVE XIAN

Make your own way to your Xian hotel. Enjoy the rest of the day at your leisure.

DAY 2: XIAN

Visit the UNESCO World Heritage listed Terracotta Warriors and Horses, one of the most significant archaeological discoveries of the 20th century. Emperor Qin Shi Huang is acclaimed by Chinese historians to have 'unified' the rival lands of China into a single empire. Thousands of people worked for more than a decade to create the life-sized army to defend the emperor's tomb and protect him in the afterlife.

Later, head back to Xian and visit the Xian Art Ceramics and Lacquer Exhibition and walk along the ancient City Wall, one of the best preserved in all of China. (B,L)

DAY 3: DEPART XIAN

Your arrangements will end after check-out this morning. (B)

BEIJING SHORT STAY

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ See the Summer Palace
- ✓ Walk through Tiananmen Square
- ✓ Wander the Temple of Heaven



Forbidden City Beijing

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$520	\$945
Superior	\$570	\$1,050
Deluxe	\$820	\$1,520

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year's Eve surcharges apply.

Price includes

- 3 nights accommodation
- Private touring as specified
- Local English-speaking driver-guide
- Entrance fees
- Meals as listed

DAY 1: ARRIVE BEIJING

Make your own way to your Beijing hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

DAY 2: BEIJING

Visit China's most famous attraction, the Great Wall. It is more than 5,000 kilometres long, stretching from the Shanhaiguan Pass on the east coast to the Gobi Desert in the west. This afternoon visit a jade factory and the Summer Palace, a royal garden and summer retreat for the emperors and their families. (B,L)

DAY 3: BEIJING

Start your sightseeing in Tiananmen Square, followed by the treasure-filled Forbidden City where you will pass under the famous portrait of Chairman Mao as you enter through the main gate. After lunch you will visit the 15th-century Temple of Heaven, one of the most perfect examples of Ming architecture. (B,L)

DAY 4: DEPART BEIJING

Your arrangements will end after check-out this morning. (B)

BEIJING & XIAN SHORT STAY

7 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ See the Terracotta Warriors
- ✓ Walk the ancient City Wall
- ✓ Taste Peking Duck



Terracotta Warriors, Xian

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$1,360	\$1,995
Superior	\$1,470	\$2,240
Deluxe	\$1,840	\$2,920

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year's Eve surcharges apply.

Price includes

- 6 nights accommodation
- Economy-class flight from Beijing to Xian
- Private transfers & touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- Meals as listed

DAY 1: ARRIVE BEIJING

Make your own way to your Beijing hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

DAY 2: BEIJING

Visit Tiananmen Square, the expansive Forbidden City and the Temple of Heaven. In the evening sample the local specialty, Peking Duck. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: BEIJING

Enjoy a walk along the Great Wall taking in the panoramic views. Tour the underground Ming Tombs and the Sacred Way. Of the 16 Ming Dynasty emperors, 13 are buried in this area. Later visit a jade factory. (B,L)

DAY 4: BEIJING

Visit the Lama Temple, China's most

renowned Buddhist temple outside of Tibet, and later visit the picturesque Summer Palace. (B,L)

DAY 5: BEIJING TO XIAN

Transfer to Beijing airport and fly to Xian. Enjoy the rest of the day at your leisure. (B)

DAY 6: XIAN

Tour the Terracotta Warriors and Horses. Later, visit the Xian Art Ceramics and Lacquer Exhibition and walk along the ancient City Wall and through the Muslim Quarter. This evening enjoy a performance of traditional Tang Dynasty dancing. (B,L)

DAY 7: DEPART XIAN

Your arrangements will end after check-out this morning. (B)

SHANGHAI SHORT STAY

3 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Walk along the Bund
- ✓ See 'Old Shanghai'
- ✓ Wander through the Yu Gardens

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$470	\$780
Superior	\$545	\$820
Deluxe	\$660	\$1,160

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year's Eve surcharges apply.

Price includes

- 2 nights accommodation
- Private touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- Meals as listed



Shanghai

DAY 1: ARRIVE SHANGHAI

Make your own way to your Shanghai hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

DAY 2: SHANGHAI

Visit the famous historical riverfront area known as the Bund and view the Pudong area, including the iconic Oriental Pearl Tower, across the river. See the superb antiques and fine arts at the Shanghai Museum and visit a silk factory. Head to the Old Town where cobblestone streets are lined with traditional shops. Enjoy a relaxing walk through the Yu Gardens, the inspiration for willow pattern china. (B,L)

DAY 3: DEPART SHANGHAI

Your arrangements will end after check-out this morning. (B)

CHENGDU SHORT STAY

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Watch Giant Pandas at play
- ✓ See the Leshan Grand Buddha
- ✓ Visit the Dujiangyan Irrigation Project

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$840	\$1,420
Superior	\$870	\$1,460
Deluxe	\$1,160	\$2,140

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year's Eve surcharges apply.

Price includes

- 3 nights accommodation
- Private touring as specified
- Local English-speaking driver-guide
- Entrance fees
- Meals as listed



Giant Panda

DAY 1: ARRIVE CHENGDU

Make your own way to your Chengdu hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

DAY 2: CHENGDU

Enjoy a tour of the Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding to see these beloved animals in an environment similar to their natural habitat. Later, visit the Dujiangyan Irrigation Project. (B,L)

DAY 3: CHENGDU – LESHAN

Travel to Leshan where you can marvel at the Grand Buddha. Carved into the side of the Lingyun Mountain, the Buddha is 71 metres tall and wide enough for more than 100 people to sit between its feet. (B,L)

DAY 4: DEPART CHENGDU

Your arrangements end after check-out this morning. (B)

GUILIN, YANGSHUO & LONGJI

5 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Explore the Longji Rice Terraces
- ✓ Cruise the Li River
- ✓ See Yangshuo

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$750	\$1,160
Superior	\$795	\$1,250
Deluxe	\$1,130	\$2,040

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year's Eve surcharges apply.

Price includes

- 4 nights accommodation
- Private touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guides
- Entrance fees
- Meals as listed



Longji

DAY 1: ARRIVE GUILIN

Make your own way to your Guilin hotel. This afternoon you will be taken on a half-day tour of the Reed Flute Cave and a pearl factory.

DAY 2: GUILIN – LONGJI

Travel to Longji, also known as Longsheng or the 'Dragon's Backbone'. Explore the dramatic rice terraces that have a history dating back over 500 years. To fully appreciate the beauty of this area, you will need to hike for approximately two to three hours, climbing many steps and across uneven ground and steep inclines to reach the most impressive vantage points. It is well worth the effort! (B,L)

DAY 3: GUILIN TO YANGSHUO

Relax on the Li River as you cruise to the town of Yangshuo for a two-night stay. The evening is at your leisure. (B,L)

DAY 4: YANGSHUO

This morning explore the beautiful rural countryside around Yangshuo and enjoy the afternoon at your leisure. (B)

DAY 5: DEPART YANGSHUO

Your arrangements end after check-out this morning. (B)

ZHANGJIAJIE SCENIC WONDER

5 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Explore 'Avatar' Mountains
- ✓ See Mao's family home
- ✓ Visit Dripping Water Cave

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Superior	\$1,310	\$2,195
Deluxe	\$1,460	\$2,530

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year's Eve surcharges apply.

Price includes

- 4 nights accommodation
- Soft seat train from Changsha to Zhangjiajie
- Private transfers and touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guides
- Entrance fees
- Meals as listed



Zhangjiajie

DAY 1: CHANGSHA TO SHAOSHAN

This morning you will be met at your Changsha hotel and transferred to Shaoshan, the birthplace of the legendary Mao Zedong.

DAY 2: SHAOSHAN TO CHANGSHA

Enjoy a tour of Shaoshan, visiting Chairman Mao's childhood family residence and his museum, as well as Dripping Water Cave, where he lived for 11 days during the Cultural Revolution. Return to Changsha visiting the Tianxin Pavilion en route. (B,L)

DAYS 3-4: CHANGSHA TO ZHANGJIAJIE

Board your train to the Zhangjiajie scenic area. Over the next two days enjoy breathtaking scenery, which offers a mix of spectacular limestone formations, sub-tropical forests, waterfalls, mountain ranges and majestic valleys. (B)

DAY 5: DEPART ZHANGJIAJIE

Your arrangements end after check-out this morning. (B)

TIBETAN SHORT STAY

6 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Visit majestic Lhasa
- ✓ Tour the Potala Palace
- ✓ Explore Shigatse

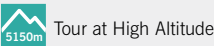
Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$2,270	\$4,280

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year's Eve surcharges apply.

Price includes

- 5 nights accommodation
- Private transfers and touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guides
- Entrance fees
- Tibet permit
- Meals as listed



Potala Palace, Lhasa

DAY 1: ARRIVE LHASA

You will be met at Lhasa airport and transferred to your hotel for a two-night stay. This afternoon enjoy a half-day tour visiting the Barkhor Circuit, where you will see many pilgrims and market stalls.

DAY 2: LHASA

Enjoy a tour of the Potala Palace, an architectural wonder towering over the entire city. You will also visit Jokhang Temple, the most sacred and active temple in Tibet. (B,L)

DAY 3: LHASA TO GYANTSE

Travel to Gyantse and visit the Pelkor Monastery and the ruins of the Old Fort. (B,L)

DAY 4: GYANTSE TO SHIGATSE

Leave Gyantse and travel to Shigatse.

Visit the Tashilhunpo Monastery, the official residence of the 11th Panchen Lama. (B,L)

DAY 5: SHIGATSE TO LHASA

Travel back to Lhasa, visiting Yamdrok-Tso Lake en route. (B)

DAY 6: DEPART LHASA

After check-out this morning you will be transferred to Lhasa airport where your arrangements end. (B)

NOTE:

Passengers must enter Tibet via China only. The Tibet Autonomous Region may be closed by the Chinese authorities at any given time without notice. Such closures may impact the ability to travel in or to Tibet.

ULAANBAATAR CITY STAY

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Visit Sukhbaatar Square
- ✓ See the Winter Palace
- ✓ View the Museum of Art

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$955	\$1,495
Superior	\$1,270	\$1,880
Deluxe	\$1,895	\$2,995

* Shoulder and high season surcharges apply.

Price includes

- 3 nights accommodation
- Private transfers and touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- Meals as listed



Government House

DAY 1: ARRIVE ULAANBAATAR

Upon arrival in Ulaanbaatar you will be met and transferred to your hotel. In the afternoon visit Sukhbaatar Square and Government House to see the nine state banners and Zaisan Hill War Memorial for panoramic views of the city. This evening partake in a traditional Mongolian dinner. (L,D)

DAY 2: ULAANBAATAR

Visit the Bogd Khaan Palace Museum and the Winter Palace, which consists of a complex of temples and a European-style home. Enjoy the afternoon at your leisure. (B,L)

DAY 3: ULAANBAATAR

Explore the Museum of Mongolian History and the Museum of Art. In the afternoon visit the 19th-century built Gandan Monastery, the largest and most significant monastery in Mongolia, followed by a visit to the local markets. (B,L)

DAY 4: DEPART ULAANBAATAR

After check-out this morning you will be transferred to the airport or railway station where your arrangements end. (B)

DISCOVER YUNNAN

10 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Tour the Stone Forest
- ✓ Visit the Three Pagodas
- ✓ See Tiger Leaping Gorge

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Superior	\$3,080	\$4,550
Deluxe	\$4,895	\$8,195

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year's Eve surcharges apply.

Price includes

- 9 nights accommodation
- Economy-class flights from Kunming to Dali and Zhongdian to Kunming
- Private transfers and touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guides
- Entrance fees
- Meals as listed



Black Dragon Pool, Lijiang

DAY 1: ARRIVE KUNMING

You will be met at Kunming airport and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

DAYS 2-3: KUNMING TO DALI

Enjoy a tour to the picturesque Stone Forest. (B,L) Tomorrow you will fly to Dali. Visit the Three Pagodas and cruise on Erhai Lake. In the evening stroll down Foreigner's Street. (B,L)

DAYS 4-5: DALI TO LIJIANG

Visit Xizhou Village, the Ancient Quarter and the local market before travelling to the 'living museum' town of Lijiang and visit Black Dragon Pool. (B,L)

Tomorrow explore Jade Dragon Snow Mountain and visit the Baisha Frescoes and the Old Town. (B,L)

DAYS 6-7: LIJIANG TO ZHONGDIAN

Travel to Zhongdian, visiting Tiger Leaping Gorge en route. (B,L) The next day, enjoy a visit to the Baishui Terrace. (B,L)

DAYS 8-9: ZHONGDIAN TO KUNMING

Visit the Songzanlin Monastery and Old Town. (B,L) The following day, fly back to Kunming. (B,L)

DAY 10: DEPART KUNMING

After check-out this morning you will be transferred to Kunming airport where your arrangements end. (B)

ULAANBAATAR & TERELJ NATIONAL PARK

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Spend time with a nomadic family
- ✓ See the Ghengis Khan statue
- ✓ Lunch at a Ger camp

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Ger camp	\$1,170	\$1,990

* Shoulder and high season surcharges apply.

Price includes

- 1 night accommodation in a Ger Camp and 2 nights hotel accommodation
- Private transfers and touring as specified
- Local English speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- Meals as listed



Terelj National Park

DAY 1: ARRIVE IN ULAANBAATAR CITY

Upon arrival at Ulaanbaatar airport you will be met in the arrivals hall by your Local Guide and transferred to your hotel. The remainder of the day is at leisure.

DAY 2: CHINGGIS KHAAN STATUE COMPLEX

Depart Ulaanbaatar and en route stop at the Ghengis Khan statue complex. Explore the museum at the basement of the statue and then have the opportunity to climb to the top. Continue your drive towards Terelj National Park, the third largest protected area in Mongolia where you stay overnight in a Ger Camp. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: TERELJ NATIONAL PARK DAY TOUR

Spend the day touring the area and enjoying the magnificent alpine scenery. There are great opportunities for hiking, rock climbing and horse riding. You will visit a nomad family and explore their unique lifestyle. After dinner in camp drive back to Ulaanbaatar city. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: DEPARTURE FROM ULAANBAATAR

After check-out in the morning you will be transferred to the airport where your arrangements end. (B)

HEART OF UZBEKISTAN

8 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Sightsee in Tashkent
- ✓ Visit Registan Square
- ✓ Overnight in Sentab Village
- ✓ See Aydarkul Lake

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Prices are from per person, based on low season*		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$2,340	\$3,195

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year's Eve surcharges apply.

Price includes

- 7 nights accommodation (5 nights hotel, 1 night guesthouse, 1 night yurt camp)
- 2nd class train ticket Tashkent to Samarkand
- Economy-class flight from Bukhara to Tashkent
- Private touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- Meals as listed



Feast on market delights in Bukhara



Poi Kalon Minaret



Shar-Zinda Necropolis, Samarkand

DAY 1: ARRIVE TASHKENT

Upon arrival at Tashkent airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel.

DAY 2: TASHKENT

Embark on a full-day of sightseeing around Tashkent. Enjoy a morning visit to the old town to explore Barak Khana Seminary and Tillya Sheikh Mosque. Continue to Chorsu Bazaar, the heart of the Tashkent community. You will find fresh and dried fruits, toasted bread (lepesbka) and handicrafts. Visit the Kukeldash Madrassah, built in 1570 when it served as a town square and fortress. In the afternoon visit the Museum of Applied Arts, Mustakillik (Independence) Square and the Tashkent Metro, decorated with local marble and granite like an underground palace. End the day at Amir Timur Square. (B)

DAY 3: TASHKENT TO SAMARKAND

Take the early morning 'Afrosiab' train to Samarkand. Samarkand is a UNESCO World Heritage city with an evocative skyline of domes and minarets. Visit Registan Square, the heart of Samarkand. Wander through the three beautiful madrassahs; Ulug-Bek, Tillya-Kori, and Sher-Dor. Visit Gur Emir, the mausoleum of Tamerlane. This afternoon explore the Bibi- Khanum, the Silk Road Bazaar and Shah-i-Zinda necropolis. Dinner will be at the local Samarkand house of Ilkhom. (B,D)

DAY 4: SAMARKAND TO SENTAB VILLAGE

Travel to Nuratau Nature Reserve and stay

overnight in Sentab Village. Your hosts are ethnic Tajiks, and this is a unique opportunity to learn about their traditional lifestyle. This afternoon take a short trek through the mountains to see the ruins of an ancient fortress, and petroglyphs of the Bronze Age. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: SENTAB VILLAGE TO AYDARKUL LAKE

Travel to Aydarkul Lake, a geographical miracle that formed in the waterless desert. There are huge numbers of flora and fauna here and you will be surrounded by pristine wilderness at your desert yurt camp. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: NURATA TO BUKHARA

After breakfast at the yurt camp, travel to the town of Nurata and visit the Chashma Complex, a compound of religious buildings including a holy spring and ruins of an ancient citadel. Continue to Bukhara for an overnight stay. (B)

DAY 7: BUKHARA TO TASHKENT

Enjoy a full-day of sightseeing in Bukhara. Visit the Lyabi-Khauz, the Madrassah Nadirkhon Devanbegi, Khanaga, Mogaki Attari mosque, Poi Kalon minaret and mosque. Enjoy a traditional lunch with a local family. In the afternoon explore the Ark Fortress, Balakhauz mosque and the mausoleums of Ismail Samanid and Chashma Ayub. This evening, take a late flight to Tashkent. (B,L)

DAY 8: DEPART TASHKENT

After check-out this morning transfer to Tashkent airport. (B)

KAZAKHSTAN UNVEILED

6 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Visit picturesque Medeo Valley
- ✓ Meet an eagle-breeding family
- ✓ See Charyn Grand Canyon
- ✓ Sail Ishim River

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$2,050	\$2,995

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year's Eve surcharges apply.

Price includes

- 5 nights' accommodation
- Economy class flight from Astana to Almaty
- Private touring and transfers as specified
- Local English-speaking guides
- Entrance fees
- Daily breakfast



Almaty, Kazakhstan

DAY 1: ARRIVE ASTANA

Arrive at Astana airport & transfer to your hotel. This afternoon tour the city and see the Museum of First President, the Baiterek monument and the Temple of Peace and Accord. (B)

DAY 2: ASTANA AND ALZHIR TO ALMATY

Travel to Alzhir to visit the memorial dating back to the Stalin regime. Return to Astana for a cruise along the Ishim River. Visit Khan Shatyr, a futuristic 'tent' that contains an indoor beach. Transfer to the airport for your flight to Almaty. (B)

DAY 3: ALMATY

Wander through the Central State Museum, Republic Square, Abai Opera and Ballet Theatre. Pass the President's residence,

Museum of National Musical Instruments and Zenkov Cathedral. (B)

DAY 4: ALMATY

Take an excursion to Medeo, a picturesque valley with the world's largest speed skating rink. Continue to Kok-tobe, where you will journey up a meandering mountain road. and admire the stunning views. The afternoon is at your leisure. (B)

DAY 5: ALMATY – CHARYN

Drive to Charyn Grand Canyon for a light hike. Return to Almaty, stopping to en route to meet a family who breed golden eagles. (B)

DAY 6: DEPART ALMATY

After check out this morning transfer to Almaty airport. (B)

ANCIENT TURKMENISTAN

5 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Travel to the ancient city of Merv
- ✓ Spend time exploring Ashgabat
- ✓ Visit Geok-Depe mosque
- ✓ See the 'winged' Akhal-Tekkes horses

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$2,350	\$3,995

* Shoulder and high season surcharges apply.

Price includes

- 4 nights accommodation
- Return economy class flight from Ashgabat to Mary
- Private touring and transfers as specified
- Local English speaking guides
- Entrance fees
- Breakfast daily



Ashgabat

DAY 1: ARRIVE ASHGABAT

Arrive at Ashgabat airport and transfer to your hotel.

DAY 2: ASHGABAT

Visit Old Nisa fortress, home of the Parthian Empire. Return to Ashgabat seeing the Monument and Park of Independence, Ertoghul Ghazi mosque and National Museum of History and Ethnography. (B)

DAY 3: ASHGABAT – MARY & MERV

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Mary. Travel by road to the UNSECO site of Merv oasis city on the Silk Road. Explore the forts of Big and Little Kyz-Kalas and the XII c. mausoleums of Sultan Sanjar and Muhammed

ibn-Zeyd. Return to Mary and visit the History Museum. Transfer back to the airport for your flight to Ashgabat. (B)

DAY 4: ASHGABAT

After breakfast drive to Arkadash stud farm, seeing the 'winged' Akhal-Tekkes horses, the national emblem of Turkmenistan. Stop en route at the former Tekke stronghold, site of the biggest battle for the Russian domination late 19th century. The fortress is also a site of the beautiful Geok-Depe mosque. In the afternoon visit a Carpet Museum. (B)

DAY 5: DEPART ASHGABAT

After breakfast, transfer to the airport, where your arrangements end. (B)

SINGAPORE STOPOVER

3 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ See the waterfront Merlion Park
- ✓ See 'old' Singapore at Thian Hock Keng
- ✓ Visit the National Orchid Garden



Delight in the famous Singapore cityscape

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Park Regis	\$385	\$730
Peninsula Excelsior	\$420	\$750
Grand Park Orchard	\$560	\$1,070

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes:

- 2 nights accommodation
- Seat-in-coach transfers
- Touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- Daily breakfast

DAY 1: ARRIVE SINGAPORE

Upon arrival at Singapore airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

DAY 2: SINGAPORE

Enjoy a half-day seat-in-coach tour around Singapore, visiting Merlion Park, Thian Hock Keng, which is one of Singapore's oldest Buddhist-Taoist temples, a handicraft centre, the National Orchid Garden and Little India. (B)

DAY 3: DEPART SINGAPORE

After check-out this morning you will be transferred to Singapore airport where your arrangements end. (B)

NOTE: Surcharges apply for after-hours transfers. Seat-in-coach tours require a minimum of two participants. Pick-up is from most city hotels.

GUANGZHOU CITY STAY

3 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ See the Six Bayan Trees Temple
- ✓ Visit the Chen Family Temple
- ✓ Explore Yuexiu Park



Guangzhou

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$345	\$620
Superior	\$420	\$660
Deluxe	\$480	\$840

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes:

- 2 nights accommodation
- Private touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- Meals as listed

DAY 1: ARRIVE GUANGZHOU

Make your own way to your Guangzhou hotel. The rest of the day is free to spend as you wish.

DAY 2: GUANGZHOU

Visit the Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Memorial Hall, a monument dedicated to this important figure in the Chinese Revolution. Continue to the Chen Family Temple, now a museum of folk craft and architecture. Next, explore Yuexiu Park, the largest park in downtown Guangzhou, and head to the Six Banyan Trees Temple, which was built in 537AD and is a renowned Buddhist cultural site. Later visit Shamian Island. (B,L)

DAY 3: DEPART GUANGZHOU

Your arrangements end after check-out this morning. (B)

GARDENS BY THE BAY

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ See Singapore's many sights
- ✓ Stroll the cool Cloud Forest and Flower Dome
- ✓ Marvel at the Supertrees



See the wondrous Supertrees in the Gardens by the Bay

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Park Regis	\$565	\$1,050
Orchard Hotel	\$615	\$1,140
Grand Park Orchard	\$825	\$1,560

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes:

- 3 nights accommodation
- Seat-in-coach transfers
- Touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees to two conservatories
- Daily breakfast

DAY 1: ARRIVE SINGAPORE

Upon arrival at Singapore airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

DAY 2: SINGAPORE

Enjoy a half-day seat-in-coach tour around Singapore, visiting Merlion Park, Thian Hock Keng, which is one of Singapore's oldest Buddhist-Taoist temples, a handicraft centre, the National Orchid Garden and Little India. (B)

DAY 3: GARDENS BY THE BAY

Transfer to Gardens by the Bay. It spans 101 hectares and houses more than 500,000 plants. Wander through the two cooled conservatories – Flower Dome and

Cloud Forest. Make your own way back to your hotel. (B)

DAY 4: DEPART SINGAPORE

After check-out this morning you will be transferred to Singapore airport where your arrangements end. (B)

NOTE: Surcharges apply for after-hours transfers. Seat-in-coach tours require a minimum of two participants. Pick-up is from most city hotels.

HONG KONG GLIMPSES

3 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Visit Stanley Market
- ✓ See Victoria Peak
- ✓ Wander Aberdeen fishing village



Hong Kong Harbour

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Harbour Plaza 8 Degrees	\$420	\$580
Eaton, Hong Kong	\$520	\$780
The Mira Hong Kong	\$635	\$985

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes:

- 2 nights accommodation
- Seat-in-coach transfers
- Touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- Daily breakfast

DAY 1: ARRIVE HONG KONG

Upon arrival at Hong Kong airport you will be transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

DAY 2: HONG KONG ISLAND

Enjoy a half-day seat-in-coach tour around Hong Kong Island visiting Stanley Market, Victoria Peak and Aberdeen Fishing Village, where you may wish to take an optional sampan ride (at your own expense) to get a closer look at the fishing boats. (B)

DAY 3: DEPART HONG KONG

After check-out this morning you will be transferred to Hong Kong airport where your arrangements end. (B)

NOTE: Surcharges apply for after hours transfers. Seat-in-coach tours require a minimum of five participants. Pick up is from most city hotels.

HONG KONG IN FOCUS

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ See Victoria Peak and Stanley Market
- ✓ See Lantau Island
- ✓ Ride the Ngong Ping Cable car



Hong Kong

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Metropark Hotel	\$810	\$1,130
Eaton, Hong Kong	\$860	\$1,240
Harbour Grand Kowloon	\$990	\$1,490

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes:

- 3 nights accommodation
- Seat-in-coach transfers
- Touring as specified
- English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- Meals as listed

DAY 1: ARRIVE HONG KONG

Upon arrival at Hong Kong airport you will be transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

DAY 2: HONG KONG ISLAND

Enjoy a half-day seat-in-coach tour around Hong Kong Island visiting Stanley Market, Victoria Peak and Aberdeen Fishing Village, where you may wish to take an optional sampan ride (at your own expense). (B)

DAY 3: LANTAU ISLAND

Discover Lantau Island during a full-day seat-in-coach tour. Visit Cheung Sha Beach, Tai O Fishing Village, Po Lin Monastery and the Big Buddha. Enjoy a vegetarian lunch and ride the Ngong Ping Cable Car. (B,L)

DAY 4: DEPART HONG KONG

After check-out this morning you will be transferred to Hong Kong airport where your arrangements end. (B)

NOTE: Surcharges apply for after hours transfers. Seat-in-coach tours require a minimum of five participants. Pick up is from most city hotels.

TASTE OF MACAU

3 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ See the ruins of St Pauls
- ✓ Enjoy touring of Macau
- ✓ Visit Macau Tower



Ruins Of St. Paul's

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Regency Hotel Macau	\$420	\$650
Holiday Inn Macau	\$470	\$695
Hotel Lisboa	\$570	\$870
Sofitel Macau at Ponte 16	\$640	\$995

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes:

- 2 nights accommodation
- Shuttle bus transfers
- Touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- Daily breakfast

DAY 1: ARRIVE MACAU

From the Macau Ferry Terminal, board your hotel shuttle bus to your Macau hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

DAY 2: MACAU

This morning you will be collected from your hotel for your half-day seat-in-coach city tour of Macau. Visit the UNESCO World Heritage listed Ruins of St. Paul's, Nacha Temple, St. Dominic's Church, the Leal Senado Building, Senado Square and General Post Office Building. Visit Macau Tower (ground floor only - if you wish to visit the observation levels this is at your own expense). Make your own way back to your hotel. Enjoy the afternoon and evening at your leisure. (B)

DAY 3: DEPART MACAU

After check-out this morning take the hotel shuttle bus to the Macau Ferry Terminal where your arrangements end. (B)

NOTE: Ferry tickets between Hong Kong city/airport and Macau are not included, but can be added at an additional cost.

HONG KONG DISNEYLAND

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Visit the 'Happiest Place on Earth'
- ✓ See your favourite characters
- ✓ Disneyland ticket included



Disneyland

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER	CHILD
Harbour Plaza 8 Degrees	\$790	\$1,050	\$620
Eaton, Hong Kong	\$890	\$1,250	\$680
Hong Kong Disneyland Hotel	\$1,590	\$2,590	\$740

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply. Child prices are based on one child aged 3-11 years, sharing a room with two adults, using existing bedding. Disney's Hotel can accommodate four people per room.

Price includes:

- 3 nights accommodation
- Seat-in-coach transfers
- Daily breakfast (if staying at Hong Kong Disneyland Hotel, this is a Character Breakfast)
- 2-Day Ticket (General Admission) to Hong Kong Disneyland Park

DAY 1: ARRIVE HONG KONG

Upon arrival at Hong Kong airport you will be transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

DAYS 2-3: HONG KONG DISNEYLAND

Make your own way to Hong Kong Disneyland over the next two days. If staying in Kowloon or Hong Kong Island, the Disney-themed train is an ideal way to start your adventure. Guests at Hong Kong Disneyland Hotel have access to a complimentary shuttle bus and a designated park entrance. Once you arrive, step into seven themed lands and a world of fantasy and fun. Enjoy the thrill and excitement of high-quality rides, meet your favourite Disney characters and watch amazing Broadway-style shows. You won't want to leave! (B)

DAY 4: DEPART HONG KONG

After check-out this morning you will be transferred to Hong Kong airport where your arrangements end. (B)

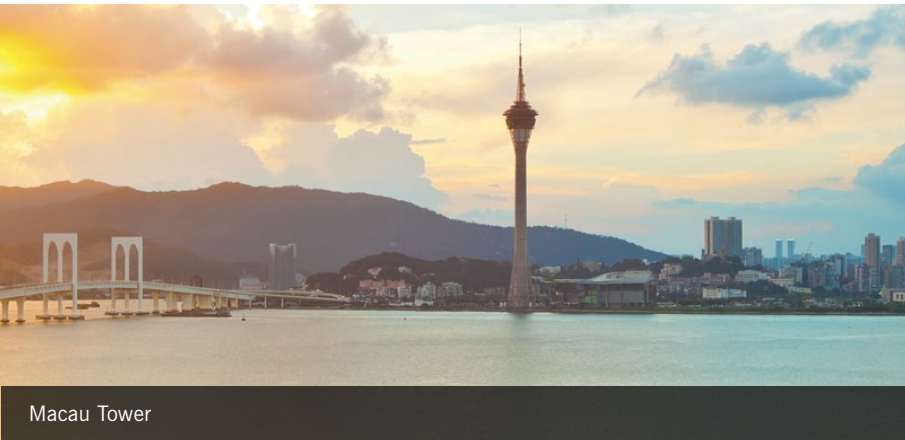
NOTE: Surcharges apply for after hours transfers. Seat-in-coach tours require a minimum of two participants. Pick-up is from most city hotels.

MACAU IN FOCUS

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Time at leisure in Macau
- ✓ Half day touring through Macau
- ✓ Visit Macau Tower



Macau Tower

Prices are from per person, based on low season*

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Regency Hotel Macau	\$540	\$880
Holiday Inn Macau	\$610	\$950
Hotel Lisboa	\$760	\$1,210
Sofitel Macau at Ponte 16	\$860	\$1,395

* Shoulder and high season, Christmas and New Year surcharges apply.

Price includes:

- 3 nights accommodation
- Shuttle bus transfers
- Touring as specified
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees
- Daily breakfast

DAY 1: ARRIVE MACAU

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DAY 3: MACAU

Enjoy the day free at your leisure to further explore Macau. Try one of the self-guided walking tours in the Old Quarter of Macau or explore Cotai's impressive resort complexes, their attractions and shows (at your own expense). (B)

DAY 4: DEPART MACAU

After check-out this morning take the hotel shuttle bus to the Macau Ferry Terminal where your arrangements end. (B)

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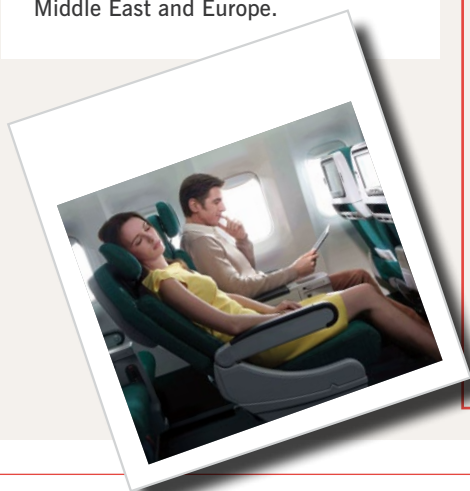
We include return international economy-class flights as part of our Classic, Solo, Immerse Yourself and Deluxe Collection tours. If you fancy a little bit of luxury and more legroom, you can upgrade to Premium Economy (on selected airlines) or Business Class for an additional cost.



Cathay Pacific Airways is regarded as one of the world's leading airlines, widely recognised for their world-renowned service, modern fleet and exceptional safety record. The airline offers more than 70 flights a week from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Cairns, Adelaide and Perth to almost 200 destinations globally via their hub in Hong Kong, together with their regional airline Cathay Dragon.



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JOINING YOUR TOUR

Airline schedules vary from city to city, meaning travellers from some cities may need to make their own way to another capital city to join the tour or may require pre- or post-tour accommodation, a stopover or have a lengthy transit en route to their destination. Any cost for additional accommodation, transportation or meals incurred will be at your own expense. Our reservations team can assist with arranging any of these additional services. Accrual of frequent flyer points and pre-seat allocation may not be possible on group fares and is at the discretion of each airline.

UPGRADE & TRAVEL IN STYLE

Let us upgrade your flight to China so you can breeze through the airport, fly in comfort and arrive fresh and raring to go. Whether you're after a little extra in Premium or all-out luxury in Business, just say the word and we'll let you know how much it will cost, for whichever of our partner airlines you prefer.

AIR TRAVEL NOTES

- Please be advised that Premium Economy Class upgrades can only be secured on the initial international flights in/out of Australia. They cannot be guaranteed on any other sector due to very limited availability and the types of aircraft used. Please contact our travel consultants to discuss upgrade options.
- At the time of booking, every effort will be made to secure the best flight schedule or connection possible; however, at times the airline schedule may vary from what is in the brochure due to availability and time of travel.



This multi award-winning airline connects people and places around the globe through their amazing hub in Dubai, inspiring travel to over 150 destinations worldwide. Onboard its modern and efficient fleet of more than 265 aircraft made up exclusively of A380 and Boeing 777 aircraft, Emirates offers unparalleled comfort and service. Onboard, Emirates passengers can relax with spacious cabins, enjoy the award-winning ICE inflight entertainment system and dine with regionally inspired cuisine.



Oneworld member Malaysia Airlines operates close to 60 flights a week from Australia & New Zealand to our hub in Kuala Lumpur, the heart of Malaysia. Beyond we connect you to our extensive domestic and Asia Pacific network in our modern fleet of Airbus A330, A350 and A380. All this while experiencing our world-famous Malaysian hospitality.



When everything is designed around you, flying becomes a personal experience. From Australia, Singapore Airlines offers seamless connectivity to a global network of more than 100 destinations via its Changi Airport hub, including more than 40 destinations across Asia alongside the regional SilkAir. Experience award-winning in-flight service from the world-famous Singapore Girl, an iconic symbol of quality customer care and service. Singapore Airlines – truly a great way to fly.

YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

A selection of our most frequently asked questions.

Q. When should I arrange travel insurance?

A. It is strongly recommended that you are adequately covered by insurance for the duration of your travel arrangements. We recommend that you take out a policy as soon as you pay your deposit.

Q. Are there any health precautions or vaccinations that I need?

A. We recommend you see your doctor at least six weeks prior to travel for advice and to allow time for any necessary vaccinations. Please remember to take your Tour Dossier with you. To make the most of your trip it may also be helpful to contact a travel and vaccination clinic such as: smartraveller.gov.au Tel: 1300 555 135 travelvax.com.au Tel: 1300 360 164

Q. How fit do I need to be?

A. We want you to have the best tour experience possible, so you should be in reasonably good health and be able to participate in all activities unaided. Some of our itineraries include difficult conditions which can make physical activities challenging. Each group tour is graded to reflect the level of fitness required to assist you in making the best choice. You can also find detailed information in each Tour Dossier, available on our website.

Q. What sort of transport do you use?

A. The modes of transport included in our tours have been chosen with variety, comfort and enjoyment in mind. On tour, you may travel by coach, cruise, train, plane and even rickshaw, all of which will give you a unique Asia travel experience.

Domestic flights: Internal flights on tour are based on economy-class with reputable airlines. Please note that flight schedules, delays and stopovers are outside of the control of Wendy Wu Tours, however we will do our best to ensure the smooth running of your tour in case of any delays.

Road: All coach travel is in comfortable, air conditioned vehicles. Generally there are no toilets on board the coaches; however we take regular comfort stops when possible.

Ships: Some tours include a cruise as part of the sightseeing. Depending on the location, the type and size of the boat used will vary. On Yangtze River cruise vessels we use outward facing ensuite cabins with balconies.

Rail: All overnight train journeys use four berth, soft-sleeper cabins. Due to booking regulations in China, sole use of overnight sleeper compartments is not available. We will always endeavour to keep group members together in the same compartment; however, there may be times when this is not possible. In these circumstances, you may find yourself sharing with other travellers. Facilities on board are basic with western and Asian-style toilets. A 2nd-class soft seat is booked for daytime journeys by train, including bullet trains and high speed trains. There is limited space for storing luggage. You will need to load and unload your own luggage on and off the train. Day trains only stop for several minutes at each stop, so you must be ready to leave the train when your guide instructs.

Q. Will I have a guide?

A. Group Tours: Every group tour that has 10 or more passengers travelling will be accompanied by a National Escort from the moment you exit the airport, to when you depart. On multi-country tours, a different National Escort is used in each country. Extensions and stopovers are not accompanied by a National Escort; however you will have the benefit of our knowledgeable Local Guides. Transfers and flights to and from optional extension destinations are not escorted.

Tailor-Made Holidays: Private tours and Tailor-Made Holidays are not accompanied by a National Escort, but will be accompanied by knowledgeable Local Guides in each location.

Q. Do you run guaranteed departures?

A. All tours are guaranteed at the listed price operating with a National Escort, providing a minimum of 10 travellers are booked to travel on that departure.

Q. I am a solo traveller – do I have to pay a single supplement?

A. On our new Solo tours, no Single Supplement is payable; all travellers are guaranteed a single room. Alternatively, for those solo travellers joining our Classic or Immerse Yourself tours, who wish to share a room on tour to avoid paying an additional supplement, and who book outside of 75 days prior to departure, Wendy Wu Tours will match you up with another solo traveller of the same gender on your tour and neither of you will pay the Single Supplement. If we are unable to find another solo traveller who is willing to share, we will waive the Single Supplement. If you are a solo traveller and prefer to have a private room during your group tour, you can pay a Single Supplement and have your own room throughout the tour. If the booking originated as a twin share booking and one traveller cancels, the remaining traveller will be charged the applicable single supplement. If the cancellation occurs 75 days prior to the tour departure date, the option to select 'willing to share' will apply if it is available on the selected tour. 'Willing to share' is not available on Deluxe Tours.

Q. What should I expect when travelling in Asia with Wendy Wu?

A. We plan our tours to ensure that your holiday is safe and trouble free and we are continually working with our local partners to maintain and improve health and safety standards. Overseas travel brings new experiences and varied environments and sometimes this means different safety and hygiene standards to those we are used to in Australia. We therefore ask that you take care; pay attention at all times and use your common sense. You are also requested to refer to notices and follow advice from your National Escort or Local Guide.

Q. Do you allow children on your tours?

A. We allow children 12 years and over on our group tours, apart from In Pursuit of Pandas which can be booked by ages 8 years and over. For families travelling with children, our Private Tours or Tailor-made Holidays offer greater flexibility and are suitable for any age group.

Q. Are there any optional excursions?

A. From time to time your National Escort or Local Guide may suggest optional sightseeing in addition to the standard sightseeing planned, depending on time available and local conditions. Such options are at an additional cost. This is paid in cash (in RMB) to the guide.

Q. Are meals included?

A. On our fully inclusive Classic Group Tours, all meals (excluding beverages) are included unless specifically stated otherwise. Discovering new cuisine is a highlight of travel to Asia and your guide will give you tips on local specialties to try. You will sample a range of local cuisine with occasional western meals, and meals are usually taken at local restaurants. In remote areas, some meals may be basic or repetitive. On Private Tours, Immerse Yourself Tours, Deluxe Collection Tours and Solo Tours some meals are included; however we have also included several free evenings, offering flexibility for those who wish to explore local restaurants. Please check your day-by-day tour itinerary for details of which meals are included: B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner.

Q. How does the tipping system work on your tours?

A. Local tipping is customary in Asia. However, this can often lead to awkwardness in knowing when it is appropriate to tip and how much, as well as ensuring you have a suitable amount of change available at the time. For your convenience, with years of experiences in providing the best customer service, Wendy Wu Tours operates a kitty system on our Group Tours so your National Escort will look after this aspect of your trip for you. It also ensures that the amounts paid are reasonable for you but still fair for the local people.

The amount is stated on each Group Tour page will be advised again on your final documentation. Tipping is paid in RMB (Chinese Yuan) or US Dollars (on selected tours) and will be collected by your National Escort on arrival and distributed throughout the tour on your behalf.

If you are taking a tour that includes a Yangtze River cruise, the total amount listed on the tour pages is collected in two parts:

- 1) RMB amount, paid to your National Escort on arrival, as above, and
- 2) A separate service levy in RMB to be paid upon boarding the cruise vessel

Any additional tipping on any of our tours is welcomed at your discretion. Further guidance for tipping contributions will be outlined in your final documentation. On Private Tours, Tailor-Made Holidays, Extensions or Stopovers, we can advise tipping amounts.

BOOKING YOUR TRIP

Planning your holiday should be simple, straightforward and most importantly, exciting! Wendy Wu Tours is committed to supporting you every step of the way.

1. CHOOSE YOUR EXPERIENCE

Get a taste of the tours in this brochure. Visit our website for more details, including interactive maps, destination information, photos, videos, reviews, updates and detailed Tour Dossiers.

Choose the style of trip that suits you:

- Fully inclusive Classic Tours
- Solo Tours
- Immerse Yourself Tours
- Deluxe Collection Tours
- Tailor-Made Holidays

2. CHECK AVAILABILITY

Our Travel Consultants or your travel agent will check tour availability, check your flights and confirm your full package price. Names must be provided exactly as per passport.

3. BOOKING & DEPOSIT

Your place on tour is confirmed upon payment of a \$300pp deposit and subsequent airline deposit. Tailor-Made Holidays are usually confirmed within 48 hours.

You or your travel agent will receive confirmation by email. Upon booking, you are confirming that you have read the Tour Dossier, are fit to participate in your tour, have adequate travel insurance and agree to the Booking Conditions.

4. FINAL PAYMENT

The balance of your payment is due 75 days before departure and you will be issued with your travel tickets and documentation approximately four weeks before travel.

VISA APPLICATIONS

Visas are required for many of Wendy Wu Tours' destinations. Additional fees may apply for non-Australian passport holders.

All passports must be valid for at least six months beyond the duration of your tour.

Please send your passport and visa application form to us or your travel agent, along with your visa application form, at least 75 days prior to departure. Some visas take longer to process (Myanmar and multi-country tours and Central Asia tours take 90 days). We will notify you of this at time of booking. The cost for passport photos and dispatch of your application to our office is at your own expense.

We will submit your passport and visa application to the relevant consulate on your behalf. Your passport will be returned to you with your final documentation approximately four weeks prior to departure.

For Land only bookings, visas are included in your price. Please ensure you advise your departure date from Australia to ensure these are processed in a timely manner.

WE CARE

The enjoyment of your holiday is our highest priority. We are determined that your experience is hassle free and our proactive 'We Care' programme strives to ensure just that. Hotels used on our group tours regularly undergo comprehensive fire safety, security and hygiene audits, carried out by staff members, ground partners and our health and safety consultants to be certain that high standards are maintained.

GLOBAL SUPPORT

Our tours would not be as successful as they are without our solid working relationship with our local partners on the ground in China, as well as the professionalism of our own offices in Sydney, Auckland, China and London. With years of experience operating tours throughout their respective areas, you can be assured their local knowledge in operations, touring, guides and transport means our tours operate efficiently and smoothly. In addition, they ensure that Wendy Wu Tours has a reliable presence on which you can depend. Our local partners have an experienced team dedicated to the provision of personal service to all Wendy Wu Tours customers throughout their network of local offices.



YOUR LOYALTY MATTERS

Many of our customers enjoy the Wendy Wu Tours experience so much that they travel with us again and again, and happily recommend us to their friends and family.

LOYALTY DISCOUNT

After completing your tour, we hope you will return to travel with us again. As a member of the Wendy Wu Tours family, you will be eligible for savings each time you return to travel with us on a group tour. Savings apply to Classic, Immerse Yourself, Solo and Deluxe group tours and are not applicable for Tailor-Made Holidays, Essential Tours or Special Groups.

REFER A FRIEND

If you refer a new friend to Wendy Wu Tours, and they book a group tour with us

(and quote your details), you will receive a delicious hamper delivered to your door. Please visit our website for further details.

SUBSCRIBE

Subscribe to our newsletter to receive inspiring stories, regular updates and be first to receive our offers. To subscribe visit: wendywutours.com.au/subscribe

KEEP IN TOUCH

As a loyal customer, you will enjoy other benefits including a subscription to our quarterly magazine, notification of specials and updates on new tours. Keep in touch with Wendy Wu Tours by 'liking' our Facebook page and by following us on Twitter, Instagram, or check out our blogs at wendywutours.com.au/blog

WENDY WU TOURS BOOKING CONDITIONS

It is important that you read and understand the following conditions before making your booking.

RESERVATION AND DEPOSIT Tour prices are subject to availability of tour, airline, special economy class fare and specific airfare class availability. Prices may differ once airfare is sold out. All services are subject to availability. Please forward a deposit of \$300 per person to Wendy Wu Tours or your travel agent to arrive within three days of receiving confirmation that the company is holding space for you. This covers your tour deposit. An additional deposit amount and/or early deposit payment of up to \$1,000 per person (for Economy Class flights) is payable within four weeks of initial deposit, depending on airline and special airfare conditions or current special. This will be advised at the time of quotation. Wendy Wu Tours reserves the right to release specials which are applicable to new bookings only and existing bookings are not transferable. Once deposit and/or airfare portion is paid, airline tickets will be issued and bookings are not transferable to any future specials. Passenger names must be provided exactly as per passport, including middle names, at the time of booking, as well as a valid passport copy. If you have decided not to take advantage of our air and land inclusive packages, you will be required to email a copy of your flight schedule and passport copy at time of final payment so we can arrange transfers and visas. Any spelling corrections made after a deposit is paid must be sent in writing and will incur additional fees, including any ticket reissue fees. Wendy Wu Tours reserves the right to correct any errors in rates quoted or calculated, or any omissions made at any time during your booking. Any verbal quote given is an indication only of the final price and is subject to confirmation in writing.

JOINING YOUR TOUR – FLIGHTS Airline schedules from different cities vary so travellers from some cities may need to make their own way to another capital city to join the tour or may require pre- or post-tour accommodation, a stopover or have a lengthy transit en route to their destination. Any cost for accommodation, transportation or meals incurred will be at the passengers' own expense. Our reservations team can assist with any of these additional services.

RECEIPT OF DEPOSIT By sending a deposit the client agrees to be bound by the terms, conditions and responsibilities set forth in this brochure. The client also agrees that:

- All persons are fit and physically able to partake unaided in their chosen group tour as per the itinerary outlined in the Tour Dossier.
- All persons travelling on a Private or Tailor-Made Tour are fit and physically able to partake unaided in their chosen itinerary.
- All parties acknowledge the physical demands and hazards involved in the tour they will be undertaking and have chosen to participate at their own risk.
- All parties understand that any medical or dietary information provided to Wendy Wu Tours does not, under any circumstances, make Wendy Wu Tours liable if a particular condition exacerbates while on tour or affects their ability to participate in any portion of the tour.

BALANCE OF PAYMENT The final balance of the travel arrangements is due at Wendy Wu Tours no later than 75 days prior to the confirmed tour departure date as confirmed by acceptance of the booking. Failure to pay in full by the due date may result in additional costs, which will be passed on as a late payment fee of no less than \$30 per booking or cancellation at the discretion of the company. Wendy Wu Tours reserves the right to request a partial payment of the final balance more than 75 days prior to departure (eg: airfare portion) in the event that airline tickets need to be issued by our office or by our operators overseas due to airline ticketing time limits. Deposits and payments by credit cards will incur a fee.

LATE BOOKINGS Payment must be made in full within three days after the company confirms that it is holding space. If payment is not so made, Wendy Wu Tours shall have the right to cancel the booking at its discretion. The bookings may also incur additional fees including any applicable urgent visa processing fees. Wendy Wu Tours does not process visa applications for bookings made less than 30 days prior to departure but customers are entitled to apply for their own visas.

FEES AND CHARGES All fully inclusive Classic Tour, Immerse Yourself Tour, Solo Tour, and Deluxe Collection prices indicated in the brochure are based on group travel and any deviation from the set itinerary may incur additional airline ticket costs. Arrangements such as transfers, accommodation, etc. outside the set group arrangements/dates are at an additional cost.

AIRLINE FUEL LEVY SURCHARGE Since 2004 airlines servicing flights to Asia have been charging a fuel levy surcharge, on top of the normal airline ticket price, in order to cover the increased cost of aviation fuel. As fuel prices have fluctuated, so too has the amount airlines charge for this levy. At the time of pricing, some airline fuel surcharges are included in the cost of the fare; however this amount is subject to change until your airline ticket is issued.

AMENDMENT & BOOKING FEES The following fees will apply: Amendments to confirmed and deposited itineraries outside of 30 days prior to departure where the value of the booking is decreased – \$50 per change (a change to the booking that increases the value will incur no fee).

Transferring between tours will incur fees.
Reissue of airline tickets – From \$100 per person (other fees may apply). Special airfares that require early ticketing may be non-refundable and non-changeable. Once a booking is confirmed, name transfers will incur additional charges.

CANCELLATION BY CUSTOMER All cancellations must be made in writing to Wendy Wu Tours and will be subject to the following cancellation charges from the date the written cancellation is received:

1. If airline and rail tickets are issued, up to 100% of the airfare and rail fare
2. More than 75 days prior to departure; loss of deposit plus any administration fees
3. Between 74 and 59 days prior to departure; 25% of total cost
4. Between 58 and 46 days prior to departure; 50% of total cost
5. 45 days or less prior to departure 100% of total cost
6. Any 'no show'; 100% of total cost

In the event of a cancellation any refunds will be less administration fees and any applicable amendment fees. Wendy Wu Tours will endeavour to recover as much as possible from suppliers to pass on to the customer. Regrettably cancellation charges and fees cannot be waived. There can be no exceptions. No refund will be made for any unused portions of the holiday after the departure date. Please note that employees of any overseas company or staff of Wendy Wu Tours outside Australia are not authorised to give any guarantees or agreements to customers in respect of refunds or any other matters.

CANCELLATION BY WENDY WU TOURS Wendy Wu Tours reserves the right to cancel or vary a tour prior to departure due to insufficient numbers. In

such an event, alternative guaranteed travel dates will be offered. Should these options not be acceptable Wendy Wu Tours will refund the full price paid, less visa cost. If a tour is cancelled or varied prior to departure due to unforeseeable circumstances such as, but not restricted to, severe weather conditions or force majeure, Wendy Wu Tours will refund all monies prior to departure less visa cost, fuel surcharge and any other cancellation fees levied by airlines and other third parties. Unforeseeable circumstances such as force majeure, adverse weather, flight rescheduling, hotel overbooking and faults with transportation or road conditions may also have an effect on the tour itinerary after the commencement date. Any decision made in respect of tour services by independent operators to re-route or amend the itinerary due to any of the above or similar circumstances is at the discretion of the tour service provider and Wendy Wu Tours shall not be liable for any claim whatsoever arising from such events.

REFUSAL OF CARRIAGE Wendy Wu Tours retains the right to remove customers from our group tours for reasons that impact on the enjoyment or safety of other tour members, such as, but not limited to, the physical, medical or mental inability of customers to undertake the arrangements of the tour, unsocial or unruly behaviour, or the carriage of prohibited substances and materials.

HOTEL DESCRIPTIONS, MAPS & PICTURES Hotel descriptions featured on our website are based on current hotel guides provided by suppliers and contractual agreements. Any facilities described are subject to change at any time. Maps and photographs are included for general information only and may not necessarily reflect actual routings, location or services. Wendy Wu Tours has made reasonable enquiries to verify that the descriptions and details are accurate but does not warrant that they are.

TRAVEL INSURANCE It is strongly recommended that all customers travelling with Wendy Wu Tours are adequately covered by insurance for the duration of their travel arrangements. Wendy Wu Tours cannot in any way be made liable for any additional cost incurred by the customer on any tour.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS All customers are required to familiarise themselves with any health requirements specific to the countries being visited. Any pre-existing health conditions must be discussed with your doctor who can confirm your suitability to travel on your chosen tour. The 'tour pace' of each tour is outlined in our brochures, on our website and also in the Tour Dossier. All passengers will receive a link to download a copy of the Tour Dossier with quote and deposit documents. If you or any member of your party has any medical conditions, dietary requirement/food allergy, or disability, which may affect you while travelling, you must provide us with full details in writing prior to making your booking so that we can assist you in considering the suitability of your arrangements. You must also promptly advise us if there are any changes to your health that may affect your holiday after your booking has been confirmed. In the best interests of yourself and of your tour group, Wendy Wu Tours reserves the right to prevent you from further participation on a tour if a physical or psychological condition presents itself that significantly affects the enjoyment or wellbeing of yourself or the rest of your group. Wendy Wu Tours will not be liable to refund any part of the price of the tour paid by you, or on your behalf, which you have not used. You will be responsible for making alternative arrangements to accommodate any medical or dietary condition. The information provided does not, under any circumstances, make Wendy Wu Tours liable if your condition exacerbates or affects your ability to participate in any portion of the tour. Your medical and dietary information is collected so that we may process your booking. Your medical and dietary information will be provided to our suppliers and partners overseas for the sole purpose of endeavouring to accommodate your condition where possible.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS & VISA PROCESSING A passport with a minimum of six months validity is required for customers travelling to all countries in our programme. Visa fees are included for Australian passport holders in all fully inclusive Classic Tours, Immerse Yourself Tours, Solo Tours and Deluxe Collection tours. Non-Australian passport holders may incur additional fees, and require additional documentation. Wendy Wu Tours may not be able to assist with processing the visas for some nationalities. If passports are not received by Wendy Wu Tours 75 days prior to departure (90 days for multi-country, Myanmar and Central Asia), the customer will be required to pay an urgent visa processing fee. Unless otherwise requested your passport will be returned with final documentation approximately three to four weeks prior to your departure date. If the customer requests the passports to be returned prior to this, an additional fee will be incurred. Responsibility for documentation accuracy, passport validity, purchase of additional required passport photos, the cost for sending passports to Wendy Wu Tours and dispatch of documents rests with the customer. Wendy Wu Tours accepts no responsibility for any failure in this respect. Wendy Wu Tours does not issue foreign visas. We only submit passports and application forms for visas to be issued by the relevant authorities. Wendy Wu Tours cannot guarantee that any visa will be issued by the relevant authority and accepts no responsibility if a visa application is refused. Any cancellation fees or other expenses incurred by the customer due to the refusal of a visa will be entirely the customer's liability. Relevant authorities may require additional documentation to approve your visa application. The cost of additional documentation or application forms are at the travellers expense. Please see our website for the most up-to-date information.

CONSULAR ADVICE We recommend that you review information provided by the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade prior to making your booking by calling 1300 555 135, or by visiting their website www.dfat.gov.au for the latest information. We strongly recommend that you familiarise yourself with the latest Government Consular advice and information.

SINGLE TRAVELLERS When booking more than 75 days prior to departure, single travellers on fully inclusive Classic Tours and Immerse Yourself Tours may avoid paying the Single Supplements by opting to travel on a 'willing to share' basis. Wendy Wu Tours will endeavour to match 'willing to share' travellers of the same gender booked on the same departure. In the event that we are unable to confirm a share partner, Wendy Wu Tours will confirm a single room in all accommodation and waive the Single Supplements. If the booking originated as a twin share booking and one traveller cancels, the remaining traveller will be charged the applicable single supplement. If the cancellation occurs 75 days prior to the tour departure date, the option to select 'willing to share' will apply if it is available on the selected tour. Our solo traveller tours are guaranteed a single room with no additional supplement and do not have a 'willing to share' option. 'Willing to share' is not available on Deluxe Collection tours and Solo Traveller tours.

DELUXE COLLECTION AIRPORT TRANSFERS Private chauffeur-driven transfers are eligible from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Perth, Adelaide, Canberra and Cairns, based on executive sedan or similar. After hours surcharges apply between 12:00am-6:00am. Available within a radius of 60 driven kilometres from the nearest international airport. Up to 10 extra

kilometres can be booked at a supplement. Based on a maximum of two passengers travelling together with standard airline luggage allowance. Any unused portion of this service is non-refundable.

TIPPING Local tipping is customary in Asia. Wendy Wu Tours' tipping system on all Group Tours involves passengers contributing to a kitty, paid locally to the National Escort in RMB or USD, who then distributes it daily to service providers on your behalf. This avoids the need for you to consider individual tipping situations daily throughout your trip. Shown on each tour page is the estimated amount for each tour and this is confirmed in your final documentation. Wendy Wu Tours can suggest appropriate amounts for Extensions, Private Tours, Tailor-Made Holidays and Stopovers.

SHOPPING & OTHER SERVICES Shopping can be fun and entertaining, especially in local markets, where many copies of international brand names can be purchased for next to nothing. However, Wendy Wu Tours, its staff and employees are neither qualified nor permitted to ensure or guarantee the quality or value of any goods purchased or the suitability of any retail outlets visited and the security of using a credit card to purchase such goods. In all cases the purchasing of goods and the use of a credit card for those transactions is entirely at the customer's own risk and at all times the customer must use their own discretion. Leisure activities and services undertaken during free time is at the customer's own discretion.

RESPONSIBILITY Wendy Wu Tours (herewith called the Company) acts as a co-ordinator for all persons taking these tours in the making of all arrangements for transportation, sightseeing and hotel accommodation. The Company does not own, manage, control or operate any transportation vehicle, any hotel or restaurant or any other supplier of services. All receipts and tickets are issued subject to the terms and conditions specified by the supplier and all services are subject to the laws of the country where the services are provided. The Company acts only as an agent for the owners, contractors and suppliers of transportation and/or other related travel services provided and assumes no responsibility for the loss, theft or damage to baggage or property or for any injury, illness or death or for any damages or claims whatsoever caused arising directly or indirectly from accidents, loss, theft or damage to person or property, delays, transport failure, strikes, wars and uprisings or acts of God etc. over which the Company has no control. We strongly urge all customers to undertake a high level of personal responsibility in order to ensure that possessions, equipment and personal documents are closely monitored and protected at all times.

SEATBELTS Please note that seatbelts are not compulsory by law in the destinations featured in this brochure and therefore the local people largely choose not to wear them. For this reason local operators may or may not have seatbelts in vehicles or they may be hidden underneath protective seat covers. It is recommended that where seatbelts are available customers must use them and remain seated at all times while the vehicle is moving. As such, customers acknowledge that seatbelts may not be available and therefore travel at their own risk. Customers warrant that they shall not make any claim whatsoever arising from injury or damage in respect of, arising from or contributed to by the absence of seatbelts and hereby release Wendy Wu Tours from all such claims.

REFER A FRIEND To be eligible for the 'refer a friend' offer you must have a current or previously deposited Wendy Wu Tours booking. One hamper per new booking will be distributed. The referee must quote your full name, booking number and address at the time of their booking. Your hamper will be distributed upon receipt of their deposit. Your friend must be a new customer who has not previously booked with Wendy Wu Tours. Hampers will be delivered at the start of the calendar month. We regret we cannot apply this offer retrospectively.

PROCEDURES FOR LODGING COMPLAINTS OR CLAIMS At Wendy Wu Tours we are committed to ensuring that we deal with complaints effectively and efficiently. Should the customer not be satisfied with any aspect of their arrangements they must immediately inform the National Escort or Local Guide who will endeavour to resolve the issue at the time. If this is not possible and you wish to lodge a complaint or claim this must be done in writing to Wendy Wu Tours in Sydney (or by email to customerrelations@wendywutours.com.au) within 30 days of the date of the completion of your Wendy Wu Tours arrangements. Relevant receipts and substantiating evidence must be attached to the letter of claim. Our complaints handling policy is available at wendywutours.com.au or upon request.

AIRLINES Airlines featured in this brochure do not by virtue of their endorsement represent themselves either as contracting with any purchaser of a holiday from Wendy Wu Tours, or as having any legal relationship with such a purchaser. Frequent flyer miles may not be accrued on some packaged fares. Pre-flight seat allocation may not be available. If seat allocation is permitted by the airline, additional fees incurred at the time of seat allocation is payable by the traveller. For details, contact our office. Schedule changes or flight cancellations are subject to the airlines policy and are outside Wendy Wu Tours control.

PRIVACY We are collecting your personal information so that we can process your booking. We will also keep you up to date with other Wendy Wu Tours' offers and product information that may be of interest to you if you have consented to this. You can opt out of receiving information at any time if you choose to do so. Any personal information you provide will be managed in accordance with Wendy Wu Tours' privacy policy, which can be viewed at wendywutours.com.au

BROCHURE VALIDITY Tour itineraries and prices in this brochure are accurate at the time of printing and prices are based on exchange rates as at 1 August 2018. Once a customer has paid the deposit, the standard regular price of the tour is guaranteed, subject to any increase in fuel surcharge, tax changes or levies imposed by any government or their agencies or any airline. Prices are subject to change without notice. Departure dates of tours are subject to change due to future airline schedules. Wendy Wu Tours reserves the right to make alterations to itineraries, departure dates and prices due to circumstances beyond their control.

AGENT RESPONSIBILITIES It is the travel agents' responsibility to ensure that all invoice and itinerary details and documentation issued by Wendy Wu Tours are correct and that the customer is aware of amendment and cancellation conditions and other clauses in these Booking Conditions. It is also the agents responsibility to provide copies of valid passports at time of deposit.

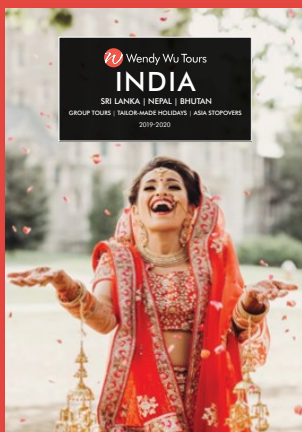
LAW OF CONTRACT This contract is governed by the laws of the state of New South Wales and any legal action arising therefrom shall be litigated only in the appropriate court in that state having jurisdiction in that claim.

PLEASE NOTE: Changes in operator land costs, airfares, taxes, fuel surcharges and currency exchange rates may affect the price of particular group tours. For these reasons, it is essential that the agent/customer reconfirms all arrangements at the time of booking and prior to paying the final payment.

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