

# Wendy Wu Tours SOLO TOURS

CHINA | JAPAN | INDIA | VIETNAM NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT | PRIVATE ROOM | BUILT IN FLEXIBILITY 2019-2020



# WELCOME TO SOLO TOURS

It's a pleasure to introduce you to this special launch edition of our Solo Tours 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.

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 likeminded group of people to share the ultimate, inclusive tour experience.

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.

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.

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



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Wendy Wu - Founder Wendy Wu Tour

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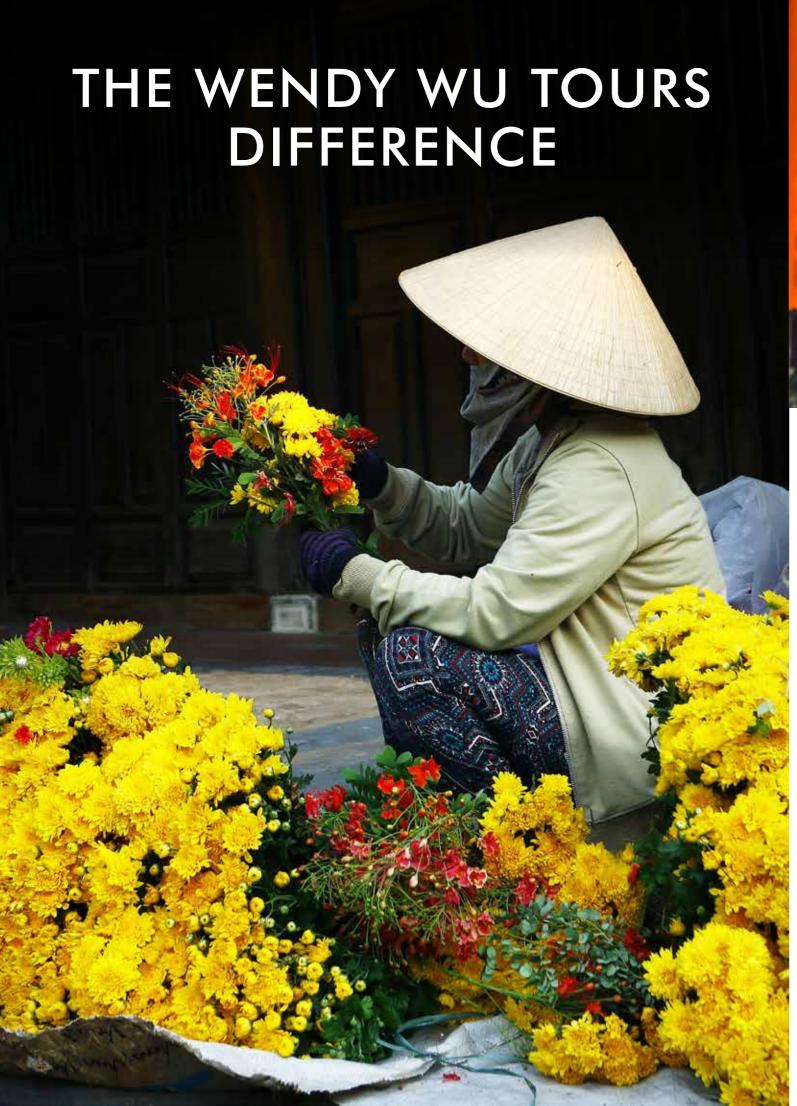
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RENOWNED EXPERTISE

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.

Through their local expertise, dedication and passion, our guides will make sure you don't

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.

miss a thing – and have lots of fun doing it.

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.



#### 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
- Are at your service 24 hours a day

#### NOT WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING FOR?

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

# INTRODUCING SOLO TOURS

#### 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\*
   \*where applicable



CHINA TOURS	DAYS	PAGE	GREAT WALL	WARRIORS	PANDAS	YANGTZE	SHANGHAI	GUILIN
Charming China	14 days	10	•	•			•	•
Captivating China	14 days	12	•	•	•	•	•	





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# VIETNAM TOURS DAYS PAGE HANOI SAIGON HOLAN HALONG BAY MEKONG DELTA PHNOM PENH ANGKOR BY TUK-TUK Scenic Vietnam 13 18 • • • • • • • Vietnam & Cambodia Experience 15 20 • • • • • • • •

#### 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.

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## **CHARMING** CHINA

14 DAYS FROM



NEW

PER \$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

#### 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
- Max group size of 18 passengers

#### 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

Visit wendywutours.com.au for further information Price based on sole traveller. Additional flight costs apply.

#### Admire the beautiful Guilin scenery **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)

#### ●BEIJING (3N) CHINA XIAN SHANGHAI (3N) OVERNIGHT ELIGHT GUILIN (1N+1N YANGSHUO (9N FLIGHT RAIL

# Stroll Xian's ancient UNESCO listed City Wall

#### 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.



#### 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.

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 Magley 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)

#### 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

#### 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 450 (AU\$92) is paid locally in China.





## CAPTIVATING CHINA

14 DAYS FROM

\$5,530



**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
- 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
- Max group size of 18 passengers

#### PRICE GUIDE

- 14 days inclusive from \$5,530 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 \$4,480 per person.
- No single supplement payable on this tour

# **EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE** 0000

#### **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

Visit wendywutours.com.au for further information Price based on sole traveller. Additional flight costs apply.



#### **DAY 5: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS**

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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. Eniov 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)



#### 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.





#### 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)

#### 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.





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iconic sight - the Great Wall. Taking a walk

on this incredible structure is the best way

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of the Summer Palace, discovering traditional

Fly to the ancient city of Xian. We start at the

lovely Little Wild Goose Pagoda, where the

group will try 'Guohua', traditional Chinese

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dramatic scenery that surrounds it. This

Chinese gardens and see the exquisite

DAY 4: LITTLE WILD GOOSE PAGODA

## **HIGHLIGHTS** OF JAPAN

12 DAYS FROM

\$8,920

MOST MEALS

PHYSICAL RATING

#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- ✓ Explore historic Himeji & Nara
- Head to holy KoyasanDiscover delightful Kyoto
- ✓ Admire beautiful Mt Fuji
- ✓ Be amazed in bustling Tokyo ✓ Experience the super-fast bullet train

#### PRICE INCLUDES

- 9 breakfasts, 2 lunches & 3 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in your own private room
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Maximum group size of 18 passengers

#### PRICE GUIDE

- 12 days inclusive from \$8,920 per person departing from 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 (Osaka to Tokyo): 10 days from \$7,520 per person
- No single supplement payable on this tour

# EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE

#### NAKASENDO TRAIL 3 DAYS FROM \$1,595pp

Get off the beaten track and onto one of Japan's most spectacular walking trails instead. The Nakasendo Way is as easy and enjoyable to hike as it is magnificent.

Visit wendywutours.com.au for further information Price based on sole traveller. Additional flight or rail costs may apply.



#### ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY AUSTRALIA TO OSAKA Fly overnight to the food and shopping capital of Osaka. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure.

#### DAY 3: HIMEJI CASTLE

Meet your group in the hotel lobby and together begin by travelling to Himeji to visit the city's magnificent feudal-era castle, before strolling through the beauty of Koko-en, a classical Japanese garden. After lunch in a local restaurant, return to Osaka and spend some time at leisure. This evening, enjoy a group welcome dinner. (B,L,D)



#### DAY 4: EXPLORE KOYASAN

This morning, head for the holy mountain of Koyasan, home to a cluster of more than a hundred monasteries nestled in a valley, enclosed by peaks. Wander around Okunion, a vast cemetery of 200,000 stupas, and enjoy the tranquillity of Kongobuji Temple. Continue to the charming city of Nara and have the rest of the day at leisure. (B)

#### DAY 5: NARA TO KYOTO

Stroll through Nara Park to Todai-ji Temple, seeing the resident sika deer en-route, before exploring Isui-en Garden. Travel by road to Kyoto, the enchanting city whose thousandyear stint as Japan's capital has left behind an impressive legacy of historic sites. Sightseeing today includes a visit to Kinkaku-ji Temple, also known as 'Golden Pavilion' and Ryoanji Temple, home to Japan's most famous Zen garden. (B,L)

#### DAY 6: TRADITIONAL JAPAN

Today starts with some traditional Japanese activities. At the 17th-century Kodai-ji Temple, you'll experience the age-old rituals of a traditional tea ceremony, before a serene session of Zen meditation. Return to the hotel and enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. (B)

#### DAY 7: ICONIC MT FUJI

Travel on the super-fast bullet train to the Hakone area and board a coach to explore this wilderness region. Take a boat cruise on spectacular Lake Ashi before soaring high on the Komagatake Ropeway for gorgeous Mt Fuji views. There is free time for lunch before a group dinner. (B.D)



#### SOLO

#### YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR **BECAUSE:**

You'll uncover Japan's best-known cities as well as the hidden treasures of Himeji and Koyasan, and view magnificent Mt Fuji. There will also be time at leisure to explore on your own or with new-found friends.





#### DAY 8: MT FUJI

Travel to Mt Fuji and ascend by road to the 5th Station (weather permitting) for spectacular views of the surrounding landscape below before continuing on to Tokyo, Japan's dazzling capital city. (B)

#### DAY 9: EXPLORE TOKYO

Tokyo is the ultimate 24-hour city, but look behind its frantic, high-tech frontage and you will find plenty of tranquil backstreets and old temples to explore. Visit the observation deck of the 634-metre Skytree, the world's tallest tower, before seeking out the tranquillity of Sensoji Temple. Enjoy free time for lunch, then stroll through Hamarikyu Gardens. (B)

Feel the tranquility of Koko-en Garden in Himeji

#### DAY 10: FREE TIME IN TOKYO

Today is a free day for you to spend as you wish; your guide will be on hand to give options and ideas. Tonight is a special farewell group dinner. (B,D)

DAYS 11-12: FLY TOKYO TO AUSTRALIA Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B)

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

#### 2019 DATES

27 Mar - 07 Apr **\$ \$9,160** 06 Sep - 17 Sep **\$9,160** 09 May - 20 May **\$8,920** 

#### 2020 DATES

27 Mar - 07 Apr 🛊 \$9,560 06 May - 17 May \$9,320

Above prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as of 12-Sep-18 and subject to change. Tipping is generally not part of the culture in Japan; however if you feel you have received excellent service, please feel free to tip your National Escort at your discretion. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2, or may require extra nights pre or post tour accommodation or stopovers at additional cost.



# SEE SHIBAZAKURA FESTIVAL

On our May departures, instead of visiting the Iyashi no Sato Historical Village on Day 6, a visit to the Fuji Shibazakura Festival has been included. This is the best time of the year and one of the most scenic places in Japan to see the pink moss phlox in full bloom!

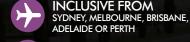
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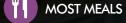
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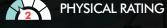
10 DAYS FROM

NEW 🛚

PERSON \$4,780







#### TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Discover Delhi's spice markets
- See the Taj Mahal at sunriseTry block printing and
- carpet weaving
- Spot tigers in RanthamboreAdmire the Amer Fort
- ✓ Learn to cook like a local

#### PRICE INCLUDES

- 8 breakfasts, 7 lunches & 5 dinners
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- Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in your own private room
- Touring with guides and entrance feesVisa fees for Australian passport holders
- Maximum group size of 18 passengers

#### PRICE GUIDE

- 10 days inclusive from \$4,780 per person departing from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
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- Single room for sole use included
- Land only (Delhi to Delhi):

FLAVOURS OF HONG KONG 4 DAYS FROM \$1,360pp

No visit to the colourful home city of dim sum is complete without delving into the gastronomical delights of Hong Kong. Bring your walking shoes and an appetite for discovery.

Visit wendywutours.com.au for further information

- 9 days from \$3,580 per person
- No single supplement payable on this tour

EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE

#### **ITINERARY**

DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO DELHI Fly to India's vivacious capital, Delhi for a two-night stay. On arrival at the airport you will be met by a member of the Wendy Wu Tours team and transferred to the hotel.

Have the once-in-a-lifetime experience of sunrise at the Taj Mahal

#### DAY 2: DISCOVER DELHI

Starting in Old Delhi, embark on a rickshaw ride through the atmospheric streets, stopping at Jama Masjid, a Mughal masterpiece of a mosque. Wander through a local market and learn about native herbs and spices as you go. Crossing into New Delhi, you can admire the colonial grandeur of the Rajpath, including the Rashtrapati Bhavan and India Gate. Tonight will be a welcoming meal. (B,L,D)

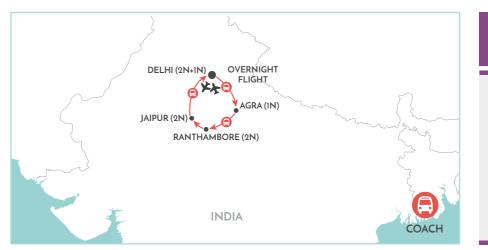
#### DAY 3: TRAVEL TO AGRA

Journey to Agra by road to tour magnificent Agra Fort. This mass of red sandstone sits on the bank of the Yamuna River, and from its ramparts you may catch a first glimpse of the Taj Mahal, just 2km downstream. Next, take a rickshaw tour of the city and visit a fascinating spice and ayurvedic herb market. (B,L)

#### DAY 4: TAJ MAHAL

Rise early for an unforgettable experience: sunrise at the Taj Mahal, when crowds are at their thinnest, and the building looks magical. Visit a marble inlay workshop for an insight into the skills that made the Taj Mahal so beautiful, then drive to Ranthambore National Park, home of majestic Bengal tigers. (B,L,D)

# Explore the exquisite Chand Baori Stepwell



#### SOLO

## YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR BECAUSE:

You can experience the excitement of Delhi and the magnificence of the Taj Mahal, then beyond to the wildlife-filled landscapes of Ranthambore National Park, all accompanied by a friendly group of like-minded solo travellers.





#### DAY 5: TIGERS OF RANTHAMBORE

Explore Ranthambore National Park in search of tigers, taking early morning and afternoon canter safaris. There are around 50 tigers living amongst the park's wild, undulating landscapes, as well as leopards, nilgai, sloth bears, wild boar, hyena and more than 300 species of bird. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 6: TRAVEL TO JAIPUR

Departing Ranthambore, travel by road to Jaipur, the famously beautiful 'Pink City'. Stop en route to admire the exquisitely carved and unique Chand Baori stepwell, built over a thousand years ago and one of the largest in the world. On arrival, the rest of the day is free to spend as you wish. (B,L)

#### DAY 7: EXPLORE JAIPUR

Begin with a photo stop at the Hawa Mahal, the 'Palace of the Winds', then travel out of

the city to admire the majestic Amer Fort, a colossal 16th-century yellow and pink sandstone fort just 11 kilometres out of Jaipur. Back in the city, try your hand at traditional artistries at a craft centre, including block printing and carpet weaving, then stroll through the local bazaar at Choti Choper. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 8: TRAVEL TO DELHI

Return by road to Delhi, with the rest of the day free to spend as you wish. This evening, the group will enjoy a farewell dinner and cooking demonstration at an Indian family home. (B,L,D)

DAYS 9-10: FLY DELHI TO AUSTRALIA After breakfast and check-out, transfer for your flight to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B)

#### PRICES & DEPARTURES

#### 2019 DATES

#### 2020 DATES

#### Important note

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Customary tipping amount of approx. US\$70 (AU\$95) is paid locally in India.



Additional flight costs apply.

Price based on sole traveller

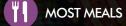


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- ✓ Learn traditional farming techniques in Hoi An
- ✓ Meet the locals in Mai Chau ✔ Practice Tai Chi on Halong Bay
- ✓ Enjoy Quintessence of Tonkin



- 11 breakfasts, 8 lunches & 4 dinners
- International flights and current taxes • Domestic transportation
- Accommodation in your own private room Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders
- Maximum group size of 18 passengers

#### PRICE GUIDE

- 13 days inclusive from \$4,690 per person departing from 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 (Saigon to Hanoi): 12 days from \$3,550 per person
- No single supplement payable on this tour

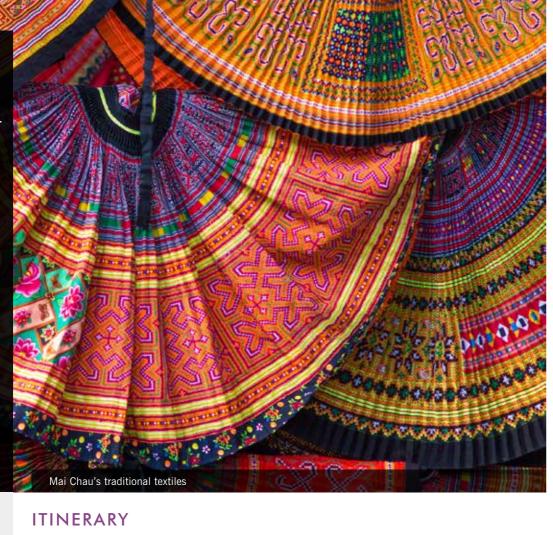
#### EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE



#### SAPA SHORT STAY 5 DAYS FROM \$1,280pp

Travel by overnight train to the hill town of Sapa, and explore the fascinating different minority villages of the region.

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#### DAY 1: FLY AUSTRALIA TO SAIGON

Fly to Saigon, Vietnam's largest, and most vibrant, city. On arrival at the airport you will be met by a member of the Wendy Wu Tours team and transferred to the hotel for a threenight stay.

#### DAY 2: CU CHI TUNNELS

Head out as a group to the fascinating Cu Chi Tunnels, an underground network of passageways used by the Viet Cong during the war. Returning to the city, admire Vietnam's colonial past with a visit to the Central Post Office before exploring the Reunification Palace and the chilling War Remnants Museum. This evening, ascend to a downtown rooftop and mingle with cocktails, followed by dinner. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 3: MEKONG DELTA

Journey to Ben Tre to discover the Mekong Delta. This area is called the 'Rice Basket of Vietnam', the rich and fertile lands producing a plethora of rice, coconuts, vegetables and tropical fruit. Taste some of the produce of the area, enjoy traditional music, paddle through the palm-lined canals in a sampan and pass local fish farms. (B.L)

#### DAY 4: JOURNEY TO HOI AN Catch a flight to Danang, then transfer to the

wonderfully laid-back and charming Hoi An. The rest of the day is at leisure. (B,L)

#### DAY 5: TRA QUE VILLAGE

This morning, share a community experience in the rural village of Tra Que, admiring the gardens of vegetables and herbs, and joining a local family for lunch and a cooking

demonstration. Wander the sights of Hoi An in the afternoon, stopping at Reaching Out, a social enterprise craft workshop, and meet the artisans before enjoying a well-deserved tea break in the tea house. (B,L)

#### DAY 6: FLY TO HANOI

Fly to Hanoi, Vietnam's elegant capital city. This afternoon, begin your explorations with visits to the Museum of Ethnology and the gatehouse of the infamous Hanoi Hilton. Later, take a twilight walking tour of the Ho Chi Minh Quarter of the city, with a stop for a refreshing glass of beer at Ta Hien beer corner. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 7: EXPLORE HANOI

Return to the Ho Chi Minh Quarter this morning to see Ho Chi Minh's mausoleum. the Stilt House, One Pillar Pagoda and Confucian monument, the Temple of Literature. Sit and sample traditional Vietnamese egg coffee, then take a free afternoon to explore. (B,L)

#### DAY 8: MAI CHAU

Travel to Mai Chau, a rural village set in a lush valley, and the home to ethnic minority communities like the White and Black Thai people. Walk amongst the rice paddies this afternoon, visiting hill tribe villages and meeting friendly members of these communities. Dinner tonight will be a barbeque at a local stilt house, treated to a traditional dance performance and a traditional rice wine tasting. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 9: RETURN TO HANOI

Your morning is free to relax before travelling back to Hanoi. (B)



# SOLO

#### YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR **BECAUSE:**

With plenty of free time for independent exploration, this tour encompasses Vietnam's highlights as well as taking you to more undiscovered places, like the spectacular Mai Chau valley.





#### DAY 10: HALONG BAY

The highlight of any trip to Vietnam, today you'll take to the waters of the incredible Halong Bay. Sail lazily amongst the limestone karst peaks of this UNESCO World Heritage Site, soaking up the views from the deck of your traditional vessel and docking to visit an impressive cave. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 11: QUINTESSENCE OF TONKIN Rise early to watch the sun rise over the bay, and to take part in an invigorating session of Tai Chi on deck. Cruise back to the dock

Wander charming Hoi An

and transfer back to Hanoi. This final evening together will include dinner, before sitting down to the visually spectacular Quintessence of Tonkin show. (B,D)

DAYS 12-13: FLY HANOI TO AUSTRALIA Transfer to the airport for your flight to Australia, arriving the same or following day. (B)



#### PRICES & DEPARTURES

#### 2019 DATES

07 Apr - 19 Apr \$4,790 03 Nov - 15 Nov \$4,690 06 Oct - 18 Oct **\$4,790** 

#### 2020 DATES

01 Mar - 13 Mar \$5,090 03 May - 15 May \$4,990 05 Apr - 17 Apr **\$5,090** 

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Customary tipping amount of approx. US\$72 (AU\$97) is paid locally in Vietnam.





Born from an artistic vision to showcase the cultural highlights of northern Vietnam, Quintessence of Tonkin blends skilful performers, a mesmerising set, delightful water puppetry, a stunning light show and the Thay Mountain into a breathtaking open-air spectacle that is both emotive and uplifting.



#### ✓ Wake to a Halong Bay sunrise

- ✓ Wander charming Hoi An
- ✓ Explore the Mekong Delta

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Discover Angkor by tuk-tuk
- ✓ See local life on Tonle Sap ✓ Marvel at Phare circus

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# EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE

#### PHU QUOC BEACH STAY 4 DAYS FROM \$490pp

Set in the Gulf of Thailand, Phu Quoc is a paradise island of soft sandy beaches, calm waters and swishing palms.

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#### **ITINERARY**

#### DAY 1: FLY TO HANOI

Fly to Hanoi, Vietnam's elegant capital city. On arrival at the airport you will be met by a member of the Wendy Wu Tours team and transferred to the hotel for a two-night stay.

Enjoy the colour and fun of Hoi An

#### DAY 2: EXPLORE HANOI

This morning, you will head out to explore the city, visiting Ho Chi Minh's mausoleum, the Stilt House, One Pillar Pagoda and the Temple of Literature, then sample traditional Vietnamese egg coffee. Dinner will include a cultural performance and cooking demonstration, and feature local dish. bun thang. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 3: HALONG BAY

Take to the waters of incredible Halong Bay. A UNESCO World Heritage Site and a vision of awe-inspiring beauty, the Bay's limestone karst peaks set the scene as you sail lazily past, soaking up the views from the deck of your traditional vessel and docking to visit an impressive cave. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: SUNRISE OVER HALONG BAY Rise early to watch the sun rise, and to take part in an invigorating session of Tai Chi on deck. Fly to Danang and transfer to the charming town of Hoi An. (B)

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#### DAY 6: FREE TIME IN HOI AN

Today is a free day for you to spend as you wish; your guide will be on hand to give options and ideas. (B)

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#### DAY 9: FLY TO PHNOM PENH

Start by exploring the Notre Dame Cathedral, the Central Post Office before visiting the Reunification Palace and the chilling War Remnants Museum. This afternoon, fly to Phnom Penh, Cambodia's lovely capital, and toast your arrival with a cold glass of beer on the riverfront. (B,L)

#### DAY 10: CITY CYCLO TOUR

Take to the roads of Phnom Penh by cyclo, before visiting the beautiful Royal Palace and Silver Pagoda, and browsing the artefacts of the National Museum. This afternoon, you'll learn about Cambodia's tragic past at the affecting Tuol Sleng Museum and the Killing Fields. (B,L,D)



#### SOLO

### YOU'LL LOVE THIS TOUR

**BECAUSE:** 

This immersive tour is exclusively for solo travellers, discovering the highlights of Vietnam and Cambodia with cultural experiences, group activities and a great chance to spend quality time amongst the infamous temples of Angkor.







#### DAY 11: ANGKOR BY TUK-TUK

Fly to Siem Reap, gateway to the temples of Angkor. Travelling in a fleet of tuk-tuks, you'll explore Angkor Thom, the old walled city of the Khmer Empire, and see the Bayon and Terrace of the Elephants. As the sun sets, take a cruise to float peacefully on the waters of Angkor Thom's moat. (B,L)

#### DAY 12: EXPLORE ANGKOR

Head back to Angkor, starting amongst the atmospheric ruins of Ta Prohm before exploring the wonders of Angkor Wat, then travel farther afield to Banteay Srei, a temple famous for its incredibly intricate carvings. End an adventure-filled day by relaxing in a rooftop bar with a cocktail. (B,L)

#### DAY 13: TONLE SAP LAKE High water season (Aug-Feb)

Cruise the waters of Tonle Sap Lake to the floating village of Kampong Kleng, and meet the community who call it home. Return to Siem Reap via Artisan D'Angkor for some shopping.

#### Low water season (Mar-Jul)

Visit the floating village of Chong Kneas, and meet the community who call it home. Return to Siem Reap via Artisan D'Angkor for some shopping.

The afternoon is free to spend as you wish - shopping at the local market is a good option. This last evening together, share a farewell dinner before enjoying the fantastic Phare Circus. (B.L.D)

DAYS 14-15: FLY SIEM REAP TO AUSTRALIA Transfer to the airport for your flight to Australia, arriving the same or following day. (B)

#### PRICES & DEPARTURES

#### 2019 DATES

04 May - 18 May \$5,790 07 Sep - 21 Sep \$5,790 03 Aug - 17 Aug \$5,790 05 Oct - 19 Oct \$5,690

#### 2020 DATES

07 Mar - 21 Mar **\$6,090** 02 May - 16 May **\$6,090** 

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Customary tipping amount of approx. US\$84 (AU\$114) is paid locally in Vietnam and Cambodia.





Phare is Siem Reap's most unique, authentic, top-rated evening entertainment. This show has been included in the last city you visit to bring you some incredible holiday memories.

## **AIRLINES**

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

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.



Qantas is Australia's largest domestic and international airline. Registered originally as the Queensland and Northern Territory Aerial Services Limited (QANTAS), Qantas is widely regarded as the world's leading long distance airline and one of the strongest brands in Australia. We have built a reputation for excellence in safety, operational reliability, engineering and maintenance, and customer service. Qantas operates over 4,500 flights per week, domestically within Australia, and over 570 flights per week between Australia and New Zealand, Asia, North and South America, Africa, the Middle East and Europe.



#### 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
Asia 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.

#### WVietnam Airlines (%)

Vietnam Airlines is the national flag carrier of Vietnam and operates 21 domestic and 28 destinations in Asia, Europe and Australia, totalling 400 flights daily on one of the youngest fleets in Asia. Operating 83 modern aircraft including the new state of the art Airbus A350-900 and Boeing 787-9, Vietnam Airlines offers daily flights from Sydney and Melbourne to Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon) and thrice weekly from Sydney to Hanoi, utilising the Boeing 787-9 Dreamliner and Airbus A350.



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 your 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.

#### SINGAPORE AIRLINES



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.

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. 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. 'Willing to share' is not available on Solo 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. 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 local currency) to the guide.

#### Q. Are meals included?

**A.** 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 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:

- 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, 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

#### 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

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 (multi-country 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 Asia, 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 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

a delicious hamper delivered to your door. Please visit our website for further details.

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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 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 transferrable. Once deposit and/or airfare portion is paid, airline tickets will be issued and bookings are not transferrable 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 hav 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 erbal quote given is an indication only of the final price and is subject to

JOINING YOUR TOUR - FLIGHTS Airline schedules from different cities vary 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 accomn 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 als

- . All persons are fit and physically able to partake unaided in their chosen group tour as per the itinerary outlined in the Tour Dossi
- 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 a 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. Wend Wu Tours does not process visa applications for bookings made less than 30 days

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: Amendment 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

- $1.\ \mbox{If airline}$  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 cos 4. Between 58 and 46 days prior to departure: 50% of total cost
- 5. 45 days or less prior to departure 100% of total cos
- 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 charge 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

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 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 mstances such as force majeure, adverse weather, flight rescheduling, hotel booking 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 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 the 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 you 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 can assist you in considering the suitability or 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 on your local group, very low to war.

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 ilternative arrangements to accommodate any medical or dietary condition. The nformation 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 Collectio tours. Non-Australian passport holders may incur additional fees, and require additional documentation. Wendy Wu Tours may not be able to assist with nrocessing the visas for some nationalities. If nassports 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 opproximately 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 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 lates nment Consular advice and information

TIPPING Local tipping is customary in Asia. Wendy Wu Tours' tipping system an 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 using a defent carb updresses sering goods. In an asset are purchasing or goods and the use of a credit card for those transactions is entirely at the customer's owr 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-

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 trave 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.

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 howsoever 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 clain

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 numbe 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 endar 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 endeayour 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 reques

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 yo 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.

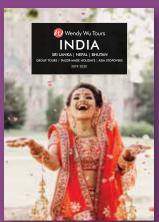
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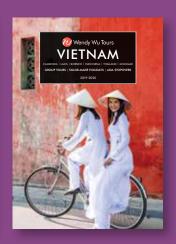
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