



# CHINA

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2021-2022



Our award-winning collection of Escorted Tours & Tailor-Made Holidays  
The winner of Best Specialty Wholesaler - National Travel Industry Awards, 2017



# WELCOME TO CHINA!



Come and join us on an extraordinary adventure through this magical region on one of our experience-packed tours. As every traveller is different, we've developed a range of touring styles that will allow you to travel your way. Discover the best option for you here:

## CLASSIC

See the classic sights in the company of an expert guide so that you can really understand the history and culture of the destination. 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 of all meals and a comprehensive touring program including authentic cultural experiences.

## GO BEYOND

Venture off the beaten track to explore fascinating destinations away from the tourist trail. With smaller group sizes and greater flexibility, you will discover the local culture in depth and see sights rarely witnessed by other travellers. Our Go Beyond tours may take you away from the comforts of home but will reward you with the experiences of a lifetime.

## SOLO DEPARTURES

We have reserved selected departures of some of our most popular tours exclusively for customers who prefer to share their wonderful holiday experiences with a readymade group of like-minded solo travellers. We provide a room of your own with no single supplement to pay, while our expert guides take care of you throughout the tour. Please check opposite for tours with exclusive solo departures and see page 6 for more details.

## PRIVATE

A private tour follows a pre-defined itinerary but with the benefit of your own personal guide. Perfect for couples and families that want greater flexibility on when they travel and the style of accommodation. Most of our group tours can operate on a private basis.

## TAILOR-MADE

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

## SPECIAL GROUPS

If you're travelling with 10 other passengers or more, we can arrange your very own independent Special Group tour. Whether that's a group of friends and family, or even a club or association, we'll tailor any of our tours to suit your group's wishes so you can enjoy a unique holiday without the hassle of organising everything yourself. See page 77 for more details.

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# THE WENDY WU TOURS DIFFERENCE

## REPUTATION AND EXPERTISE

With 26 years' experience operating tours throughout Asia and Beyond, our success and longevity speak for itself.

We are passionate about delivering exceptional experiences to our customers that encompass a range of 'must sees' and 'off the beaten track' adventures. We have pioneered access to untapped regions of our world and showcased the amazing spirit in each local community. Our staff have travelled extensively throughout these regions and their knowledge is evident in every detail of your holiday.

We are proud of our awards and achievements but there is still so much to discover and develop!

We are forever inspired by our customers and the life-changing experiences we enable them to discover, so much so that 98% of our customers would recommend travelling with us.

## EXCEPTIONAL VALUE

We aim to include as much as possible so you can enjoy every moment! Value for money has been our ethos from the very beginning; your flights, your accommodation, all or most meals, touring, visas, transport, and expert guides are all included and deliver exceptional value.

## EXTRAORDINARY EXPERIENCES

We've been blazing trails into Asia and Beyond for over 26 years, building our local expertise and pioneering the roads less travelled so you can enjoy customs, authentic experiences, packed with local flavour. These encounters will make your holiday truly special. Look out for the 'experiences you'll love' on each of our tour pages.

Although 2020 was not quite what we imagined, it has made us even more determined to deliver unforgettable adventures so you can embrace every moment of 2021-2022.

We have curated each of our tours with your enjoyment, peace of mind and safety at the forefront. We have shaped your experiences to ensure that despite the changing nature of our world, travelling safely can be just as exhilarating and rewarding as before, with some careful modifications. Travelling with confidence is our guiding principle and you can read more about this on page 9.

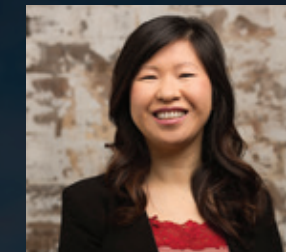
I'm excited to introduce you to our brand-new China brochure, which is packed with inspiring tours and authentic experiences which truly capture the essence of this diverse, enigmatic country. Be inspired by the diversity of its landscapes, the bustle and energy of its cities, but most importantly it's the warmth and welcoming nature of its people that will leave the biggest imprint.

With over 26 years of expertise, we've mastered the art of creating memorable experiences that wholly capture the essence of this vast country. We compliment this with our fantastic National Escorts who create extraordinary adventures as they show you their homeland. We will take care of every aspect of your trip so all you have to do is relax and enjoy the journey, plus it's all at exceptional value too!

We have created two new tours for 2021-2022, allowing us to further expand our portfolio: introducing the 'Sichuan & Yangtze Delights' tour combining UNESCO sites and awe inspiring landscapes with unmissable local experiences, and 'China in Style' which lets you explore the must-see sights in VIP comfort.

We're also delighted to feature our 'Treasures of Taiwan' and 'Scenic South Korea' tours that showcase the individual culture and beauty of these countries.

We look forward to welcoming you on a Wendy Wu tour soon!



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Wendy Wu – Owner, Wendy Wu Tours

## OUTSTANDING GUIDES

Our much-loved National Escorts, whose knowledge, passion, story and dedication to our customers have won us one of the best reputations in the industry, will make your holiday with us truly extraordinary. You will fall in love with them just as much as their homeland.

## SAFE AND SECURE

We are ATAS accredited members of the Australian Federation of Travel Agents (AFTA), the International Air Transport Association (IATA), as well as foundation members of the Council of Australian Tour Operators (CATO). We have a wide network of travel agents working with us nationally, so you benefit from local knowledge combined with Australian understanding and support.

## VISAS

One of our differentiating qualities is that each of our group tours include the cost of the visa for Australian passport holders for each region, creating a hassle-free process throughout. Our expert team will provide advice, coordinate your processing, and safely return your passports, leaving you to simply enjoy your holiday preparation.

## TIPPING MADE EASY

We have perfected our tipping process to make it as simple as possible! Leave any concerns behind as we advise you how much and when to tip, and our National Escort will take care of the rest. Easy!







# YOUR TOUR, YOUR WAY

We want everyone who travels with us to enjoy each extraordinary day of their Wendy Wu adventure, so we've made it easy for you to choose your perfect holiday. You can select based on Tour Style (which you'll find inside the front cover) or by Physical Rating (see opposite page) and if you're travelling solo why not join one of our departures reserved exclusively for Solo Travellers?

### ACCOMMODATION STYLES

You can be safe in the knowledge that your accommodation has been hand-picked to best suit the locations you'll visit. Our Classic Tours feature comfortable, locally rated 3-4 star properties, ranging from smart business hotels to family-run guesthouses. On Go Beyond tours you may find yourself in more unusual, characterful or more rustic accommodation which fits perfectly with these tours' adventurous spirit.

### TOUR PACE

Many of our tours are busy, but that's because we want to make sure you don't miss a single thing. Packing your holiday full of special experiences means some early starts and long days, but you can be sure that you'll return home with many incredible memories! Read our Tour Dossiers and check the Physical Ratings to see if the pace and activity levels are right for you.

### SOLO DEPARTURES

Solo travellers are more than welcome on any of our holidays, but we've reserved a few departures of our most popular tours exclusively for customers travelling on their own. These special departures feature smaller group sizes, free chauffeur transfers to and from the airport, free airport lounges (where available) and complimentary cocktails on arrival! See tours: In Pursuit of Pandas, A China Experience, Glories of China, Majestic Yangtze, Wonders of China and Magnificent China in this brochure or check our website at [wendywutours.com.au](http://wendywutours.com.au) for more information. ^Refer to our terms and conditions for details on chauffeur transfers.

### CUSTOMISE YOUR TRIP

If you'd like to explore your destination further or arrange a stopover on your flight all you have to do is ask! We have a fantastic range of extension and stopover packages (see page 78) or, if you're looking for something a bit different, our knowledgeable team of experts can help you customise your very own extension to any tour in this brochure.

### PHYSICAL RATING



#### LEVEL 1

All our tours feature a physical rating to help you select the right holiday for you. Every one of our tours require the ability to walk around sights unaided, whilst more active tours involve longer walks, cycling and other physical activities. Tours at altitude will have a higher physical rating. For more information on why each tour has been rated the way it has, have a look at the 'Detailed Tour Dossier' available to download on the tour page of our website.

#### LEVEL 2

Involves a little more time on your feet than a Level 1 tour and may involve more steps and/or walking.



#### LEVEL 3

A good level of fitness is required as 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 4

Similar physical activities to Level 3 but they may be longer in duration or on slightly more challenging terrain.



#### LEVEL 5

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



# Taking care of your safety

Our customers' safety has always been our highest priority at Wendy Wu Tours. Working closely with our partners overseas and our highly experienced National Escorts, we are proud of our reputation for taking the utmost care of every customer's safety and wellbeing.

For 2021 and beyond we have strengthened our safety management processes to include measures to protect our customers and local staff from COVID-19. These new measures include protection whilst travelling, sightseeing, at mealtimes and at hotels. Guided by the UNWTO (United Nations World Tourism Organisation) and WTTC (World Travel & Tourism Council) as well as local government regulations, our protocols include personal protection, extensive disinfecting, and social distancing measures.

Rest assured that we will do everything possible to keep you safe on your holiday, while also helping you enjoy every moment along the way!

For details of our safety guidelines please visit [wendywutours.com.au](http://wendywutours.com.au)



# Guided by the very best

Our guides are the stars of the show; it is their unrivalled knowledge, passion and expertise that will transform your tour experience from good to truly extraordinary!



"My husband and I did the two week "Glories of China" trip recently, and our National Escort was exceptional. We had him with us for the whole two weeks, and he helped to make it the trip of a lifetime for us. By the end of our holiday he really felt more like a friend than a guide."

*Catherine Prior*

## AWARD-WINNING GUIDING

On all of our group tours you will be accompanied by a dedicated guide, known as your 'National Escort'. Their dedication, personality and sense of fun will immediately put you at ease and make you feel part of the family.

You will be able to put your utmost trust in your guide who will navigate you through the 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 in China
- ✓ Go through rigorous and ongoing training programmes
- ✓ Are at your service 24 hours a day

# Our Expertise

We are very proud of the awards and the accomplishments we have received over our 26 years of operation. The recognition from our customers, our industry peers and partners are rewarding, but our truest rewards are when we continually hear the extraordinary tales of adventure from our customers.

Our passion and determination in delivering exceptional experiences to our customers is unwavering, and something we will continue to nurture and deliver. We want you to experience each region with the truest approach, delighting in the amazing spirit of each local community. Our staff have travelled extensively throughout our destinations, with their knowledge and experiences shaping every detail of your holiday.



# Recommended by you

Awards are important, but what matters most are the experiences and feedback we receive from our customers. We're proud of our customer satisfaction ratings and the fact that so many of our customers would happily recommend us, this vote of confidence is all the accolade we need.



98% of customers would be happy to recommend us to their friends and family!



# Book with Confidence

Our Book with Confidence guarantee has been introduced to provide you with piece of mind when booking with us so that you can enjoy every moment of your holiday.

## 1. LOW DEPOSIT

Once you've selected your desired tour, all you need to do is forward your deposit to secure your place. We are pleased to introduce our low deposit policy across our range of group tours.

## 2. PRICE MATCH PROMISE

Our tours are renowned for their comprehensive inclusions and exceptional value for money. We are so confident you won't find the same tours at better prices, that if you do, we'll not only match the lower price, but reward you for letting us know! Conditions apply. See website for further details.

## 3. EXTENDED PAYMENT TERMS

Extended payment terms are available on most group tours. This means you won't need to pay your final balance until 75 days prior to departure. Plus, if your tour is cancelled due to government travel restrictions, your deposit and any progress payments will be carried forward as full credit towards future travel with us. Contact our Reservations team for further details.




# 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. We've highlighted our favourite ones on each tour page in the 'Experiences You'll Love' box; but for now, here are just a few examples of what you can look forward to...

### 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.



### BREAKFAST TOUR OF SHANGHAI

Join the locals on their morning commute and stop where they stop to sample local breakfast delicacies such as pancakes and fried bread sticks.



### HUTONGS TOUR

Explore Beijing's atmospheric hutongs on foot, venturing down the old alleyways to reach one of the traditional houses, where you will be welcomed by a family into their home.

### 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!




### 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.

### CALLIGRAPHY CLASS

A long practised 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.



### 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!



# Discover China with Wendy Wu Tours

China is a colossal nation of unrivalled history, incredible sights and fascinating culture. We have the expertise to cover every corner of this extraordinary land; here are some of our favourite destinations...

## WENDY'S TOP 8 CHINA SIGHTS

### 1 BEIJING

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



### 2 XIAN

Xian is best known for the Terracotta Warriors. With its illustrious past and rich history, it's a must-see on most of our China tours.



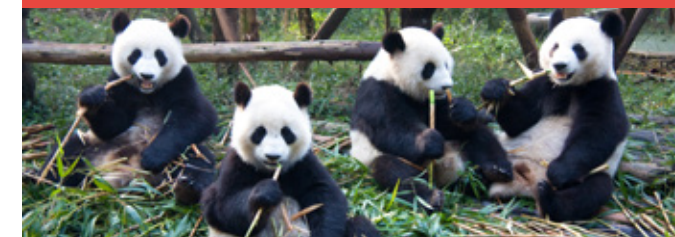
### 3 SHANGHAI

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.



### 4 CHENGDU

The gateway to Sichuan province and the home of the cuddly giant panda. As we all love pandas, Chengdu appears on a number of tours.



### 5 YANGTZE RIVER

China's vital waterway brings together a plethora of unmissable sights. A Yangtze River cruise is included on a number of our tours.



### 6 GUILIN

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



### 7 LIJIANG

Located amongst Yunnan's most dramatic mountain landscapes, you can explore Lijiang on several of our tours and it's well worth the visit.



### 8 LHASA

Tibet's magical capital, a city on the roof of the world, Lhasa features on our Ultimate China, China & Tibet Discovery and Tibetan Wonders tours.





# CLASSIC TOURS

For those looking for a fully escorted, all-inclusive group journey

## WHAT'S INCLUDED?



International economy  
airfares & taxes



3 – 4 star  
accommodation



All  
meals



Flights, guides,  
transportation  
& sightseeing



Visa for Australian  
passport holders

Meticulously designed journeys perfect for those who want to see iconic sights and magnificent treasures on a fully-inclusive tour that is also fantastic value! With all your arrangements taken care of you can travel with the utmost ease and confidence, accompanied throughout by one of our industry-leading National Escorts.

### EVERYTHING TAKEN CARE OF

With a Classic Tour all your arrangements are taken care of – your flights, all accommodation, transfers, touring, meals, evening entertainment and, in most cases if required, your visas too! So, all you have to do is show up, explore and enjoy. You will be exploring in a group of maximum 28 travellers (or maximum 18 passengers for Solo departures).

### ALL YOUR MEALS ARE INCLUDED

Whilst breakfasts tend to be a mixture of local eats and familiar dishes from home, when it comes to lunch and dinner, you'll be dining in local establishments. We include a few 'feature meals', so you get to taste

the signature dishes of the region, whilst the rest of the time you'll eat a whole delicious range of your destination's best dishes.

### NATIONAL ESCORTS

You can be safe in the knowledge that throughout your tour you'll be in the company of one of our award-winning National Escorts. With their unparalleled knowledge, charisma and talent, these wonderful people are what can push your holiday from fantastic into the realms of truly unforgettable.

### AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

Thanks to the extensive expertise of our team, we can make sure you get to see those rarely visited places that will give you a more authentic experience of the culture of the region and the chance to meet the friendly local people. Keep an eye out for the 'Experiences You'll Love' box on every tour page, for a taste of cultural encounters that you will enjoy.



# IN PURSUIT OF PANDAS

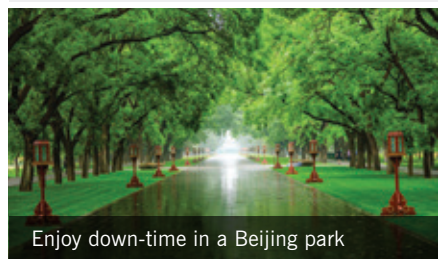
- 9 DAYS FROM
- PER PERSON \$3,680
- FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE & PERTH
- ALL MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

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

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 7 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 7 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Enjoy down-time in a Beijing park

## ► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Visit the park surrounding the Temple of Heaven to soak up the beautiful surroundings and mingle with the local people who gather here daily to exercise, socialise, play cards and relax – you can even take part in a group dance session!
- One of Beijing's must-see shows, enjoy a Chinese acrobatic spectacular featuring many forms of dramatic arts such as contortionism, juggling and plate spinning and full of edge-of-your-seat action.
- At the heart of Sichuan province, the native land of the giant panda, visit the excellent Dujiangyan Panda Base where you'll learn all about China's iconic bear, the conservation projects in action to increase their numbers and, of course, see these beautiful animals for yourself.



See pandas at Dujiangyan Panda Base and Chengdu Panda Reserve

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY TO BEIJING

Fly to Beijing, China's historic 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, towards the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. A monument to dynasties past, enter through the Gate of Supreme Harmony, into 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 before deciding on an option to enjoy a kung fu show.

### 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. Also included is a visit to a jade factory. 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 perhaps buy a souvenir warrior to take home. Later, take a bullet train to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan province.

### DAY 6: DUJIANGYAN PANDA BASE

This morning visit Dujiangyan Panda Base for your first panda encounter! Located 1.5 hours outside of Chengdu, this centre is dedicated to the study of disease control and the rescue of wild pandas – the perfect place to gain insight into the hard work that goes into caring for and boosting the population of these endangered species. Later, enjoy the atmosphere of Jinli Street – a lively street lined with antique shops and restaurants before sampling a delicious Sichuanese meal.



Visit the Summer Palace in Beijing



Walk the Great Wall

### DAY 7: CHENGDU PANDA RESERVE

Your second panda experience will take place at Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre, located right in the city. An education centre and breeding facility, here you'll see both pandas and red pandas up close as they chomp through piles of bamboo, sleep and play and learn all about their physiology and conservation. Back in Chengdu, 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.

AVAILABLE AS YOUR OWN PRIVATE TOUR  
Enjoy flexibility, your own guide and vehicle.



Gaze at the Terracotta Warriors in Xian

## IN PURSUIT OF PANDAS

## CLASSIC CHINA

## PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Discover the imperial treasures of historic 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, not once, but twice!

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

### 2021 DATES

08 Mar - 16 Mar	\$3,680	09 Aug - 17 Aug	\$4,380
15 Mar - 23 Mar	\$4,160	06 Sep - 14 Sep	\$3,960
05 Apr - 13 Apr	\$3,680	20 Sep - 28 Sep	\$4,380
19 Apr - 27 Apr	\$4,380	11 Oct - 19 Oct	\$4,380
10 May - 18 May	\$4,380	18 Oct - 26 Oct	\$4,160
17 May - 25 May	\$4,380	08 Nov - 16 Nov	\$4,030
14 Jun - 22 Jun	\$4,380	15 Nov - 23 Nov	\$4,160
12 Jul - 20 Jul	\$4,380	24 Dec - 03 Jan*	\$5,090

### 2022 DATES

07 Mar - 15 Mar	\$4,230	08 Aug - 16 Aug	\$4,580
14 Mar - 22 Mar	\$4,360	05 Sep - 13 Sep	\$4,160
04 Apr - 12 Apr	\$3,880	19 Sep - 27 Sep	\$4,580
18 Apr - 26 Apr	\$4,580	10 Oct - 18 Oct	\$4,580
09 May - 17 May	\$4,580	17 Oct - 25 Oct	\$4,080
16 May - 24 May	\$4,580	07 Nov - 15 Nov	\$4,230
13 Jun - 21 Jun	\$4,580	14 Nov - 22 Nov	\$4,160
11 Jul - 19 Jul	\$4,580	23 Dec - 31 Dec*	\$5,290

\*Christmas Special

## Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Beijing - Chengdu) 8 days from \$2,700 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$570

## Dedicated solos departure

## Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as of 12 August 2020, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB320pp (AU\$67pp) is paid locally in China.



## EXTEND YOUR STAY...

**NINE VILLAGES VALLEY SHORT STAY**  
4 days from \$2,010pp

**CHONGQING, DAZU & WULONG SHORT STAY**  
5 days from \$1,370pp

Visit page 78 to learn more about all of our extensions and stopovers.



# A CHINA EXPERIENCE

- 10 DAYS FROM
- PER PERSON \$3,860
- FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE & PERTH
- ALL MEALS

- ### TOUR HIGHLIGHTS
- ✓ Admire Shanghai's bright lights
  - ✓ Find the past in Zhujiajiao
  - ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
  - ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
  - ✓ Spend time in traditional hutongs
  - ✓ Explore the Summer Palace

- ### PRICE INCLUDES
- 8 breakfasts, 7 lunches, 8 dinners
  - International flights and current taxes
  - Domestic transportation
  - 4 star accommodation
  - Touring with guides and entrance fees
  - Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Learn about jade, the sacred stone

### ► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Jade has long been a sacred stone to the Chinese people, bringing fortune and prosperity to those who wear it. Visit a jade factory where you can learn more about its origins, its importance and how it is crafted.
- Step back in time to relive the majesty of the Tang Dynasty, of which Xian was the prosperous and glorious capital, with a colourful spectacular of traditional music and dancing.
- Venture into Beijing's atmospheric old neighbourhoods, the hutongs, exploring the narrow alleyways and visiting the traditional courtyard house of a family, who will give you a glimpse into their daily life.



Explore the sleepy water town of Zhujiajiao

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY 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. Dinner tonight will be traditional Shanghaiese 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 and visit the Shanghai Museum and explore People's Square. End the day watching a Chinese acrobatic show.

### 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.



See the Little Wild Goose Pagoda



Stroll along the Bund, Shanghai

### DAY 6: BULLET TRAIN TO BEIJING

Board the bullet train to Beijing, China's historic capital city. After dinner, there is an option to enjoy a kung fu show.

### 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. Enjoy a leisurely stroll through the traditional hutongs, where the narrow alleys offer an authentic glimpse of old Beijing. Meet a local family and learn first-hand about hutong life.

### 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 a 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 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 famous delicacy – Peking duck.

### DAYS 9-10: FLY BEIJING TO AUSTRALIA

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

AVAILABLE AS YOUR OWN PRIVATE TOUR  
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Walk on the Great Wall

## A CHINA EXPERIENCE

## CLASSIC CHINA

### PHYSICAL RATING



### IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

This introductory tour offers a glimpse of China's glorious past, fascinating present and bright future. Visit the contrasting cities of Xian, Beijing and Shanghai. The tour has a quick pace, but is well worth it.

### PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

#### 2021 DATES

14 Mar - 23 Mar	\$4,280	06 Jun - 15 Jun	\$4,380
21 Mar - 30 Mar	\$4,280	11 Jul - 20 Jul	\$4,780
04 Apr - 13 Apr	\$4,580	08 Aug - 17 Aug	\$4,780
11 Apr - 20 Apr	\$4,580	12 Sep - 21 Sep	\$4,580
18 Apr - 27 Apr	\$4,580	19 Sep - 28 Sep	\$4,580
25 Apr - 04 May*	\$4,580	10 Oct - 19 Oct	\$4,580
09 May - 18 May	\$4,580	17 Oct - 26 Oct	\$4,580
16 May - 25 May	\$4,580	07 Nov - 16 Nov	\$4,320
30 May - 08 Jun	\$4,380	14 Nov - 23 Nov	\$3,860

#### 2022 DATES

06 Mar - 15 Mar	\$4,480	05 Jun - 14 Jun	\$4,580
13 Mar - 22 Mar	\$4,480	10 Jul - 19 Jul	\$4,580
20 Mar - 29 Mar	\$4,480	07 Aug - 16 Aug	\$4,580
03 Apr - 12 Apr	\$4,780	11 Sep - 20 Sep	\$4,380
10 Apr - 19 Apr	\$4,780	18 Sep - 27 Sep	\$4,380
17 Apr - 26 Apr	\$4,780	09 Oct - 18 Oct	\$4,380
08 May - 17 May	\$4,780	16 Oct - 25 Oct	\$4,380
15 May - 24 May	\$4,780	23 Oct - 01 Nov	\$4,480
22 May - 31 May	\$4,580	06 Nov - 15 Nov	\$4,520
29 May - 07 Jun	\$4,520	13 Nov - 22 Nov	\$4,380

\*Departure coincides with Golden Week.

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Shanghai - Beijing) 9 days from \$3,000 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$550

### Dedicated solos departure

### Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as of 12 August 2020, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB400pp (AU\$83pp) is paid locally in China.



See the famous Terracotta Army



# GLORIES OF CHINA

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ALL MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

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

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 12 breakfasts, 11 lunches, 12 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



See Terracotta Army replicas being made

## ► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Visit a busy workshop where craftsmen create replicas of the famous Terracotta Warriors and watch them going about their age-old craft with astonishing speed and dexterity.
- Long practised in China, many people start their day with a session of tai chi – do the same with a morning class with an instructor and continue your day feeling invigorated.
- Venture into Beijing's atmospheric old neighbourhoods, the hutongs, exploring the narrow alleyways and visiting the traditional courtyard house of a family, who will give you a glimpse into their daily life.



Stop for a photo opportunity with a cormorant fisherman

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY 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 classical Yu Garden, pass through the old town and visit a silk factory. View the city at night from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise. This evening, enjoy a meal of Shanghainese cuisine.

### DAY 3: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Travel to Zhujiajiao, one of Shanghai's sleepy water towns and explore its many charms. 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. This evening there is an option to watch the spectacular Impression Liu Sanjie music and light show.

### 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.

### 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

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See Shanghai's futuristic skyline

### DAY 10: BULLET TRAIN TO BEIJING

Board the bullet train to Beijing, the capital of China. Enjoy a leisurely stroll 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

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Visit the Forbidden City

### 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**  
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**SUZHOU & HANGZHOU SHORT STAY**  
5 days from \$1,210pp twin share

**HONG KONG GLIMPSES**  
3 days from \$525pp twin share

**MOUNT HUANG SHORT STAY**  
4 days from \$1,170pp twin share

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## GLORIES OF CHINA

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## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Discover the extraordinary karst 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

Prices are per person, twin share

### 2021 DATES

28 Feb - 13 Mar	\$4,780	15 Aug - 28 Aug	\$5,380
21 Mar - 03 Apr	\$5,380	05 Sep - 18 Sep	\$5,400
11 Apr - 24 Apr	\$5,780	12 Sep - 25 Sep	\$5,380
25 Apr - 08 May*	\$5,780	19 Sep - 02 Oct*	\$5,880
09 May - 22 May	\$5,380	10 Oct - 23 Oct	\$5,380
16 May - 29 May	\$5,380	17 Oct - 30 Oct	\$4,880
23 May - 05 Jun	\$5,380	07 Nov - 20 Nov	\$4,880
20 Jun - 03 Jul	\$5,380	14 Nov - 27 Nov	\$4,880
18 Jul - 31 Jul	\$5,380		

### 2022 DATES

06 Mar - 19 Mar	\$4,980	17 Jul - 30 Jul	\$5,580
13 Mar - 26 Mar	\$4,980	14 Aug - 27 Aug	\$5,580
20 Mar - 02 Apr	\$5,580	04 Sep - 17 Sep	\$5,600
03 Apr - 16 Apr	\$5,600	11 Sep - 24 Sep	\$5,580
10 Apr - 23 Apr	\$5,980	18 Sep - 01 Oct	\$6,080
17 Apr - 30 Apr	\$5,980	09 Oct - 22 Oct	\$5,580
08 May - 21 May	\$5,580	16 Oct - 29 Oct	\$5,080
15 May - 28 May	\$5,580	23 Oct - 05 Nov	\$5,080
22 May - 04 Jun	\$5,580	06 Nov - 19 Nov	\$5,080
19 Jun - 02 Jul	\$5,580	13 Nov - 26 Nov	\$5,080

\*Departure coincides with Golden Week.

## Flight and supplement information

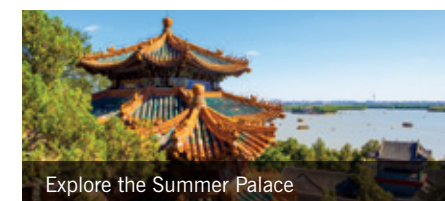
- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Shanghai - Beijing) 13 days from \$4,100 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$720

## Dedicated solos departure

## Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as of 12 August 2020, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

**Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB450pp (AU\$94pp) is paid locally in China.**



Explore the Summer Palace



# MAJESTIC YANGTZE

14 DAYS FROM

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ALL MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Admire Shanghai's bright lights
- ✓ Cruise the Yangtze River
- ✓ 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
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Explore the old town of Ciqikou

## ► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Explore the narrow cobble lanes of Ciqikou's old town, a district known for its porcelain production during the Ming and Qing dynasties as well as its traditional architecture.
- Cruise through Qutang, Wu and Xiling gorges, otherwise known as the Three Gorges, admiring the magnificent scenery from the comfort of your Yangtze River cruise vessel and learning about its epic history from your onboard expert.
- Step back in time to relive the majesty of the Tang Dynasty, of which Xian was the prosperous and glorious capital, with a colourful spectacular of traditional music and dance.



Enjoy side trips on the Yangtze River

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY TO SHANGHAI

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### 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 a 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

Spend the morning seeing the sights of the ultramodern Pudong area, also known as the financial district of the city with skyscrapers buildings. Later, fly to Yichang where you will board your 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 Stream and enjoy various shore excursions.

### DAY 7: HISTORIC 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 with the option of a performance of Sichuan Opera, famous for its 'face-changing'.

### DAY 8: 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

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Explore the delights of Shanghai

### 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, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape, and end the day watching a Chinese acrobatic show.

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## EXTEND YOUR STAY...



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3 days from \$525pp twin share

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3 days from \$560pp twin share

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## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

One of our most popular tours covers the enthralling cities of Shanghai, Xian, Beijing as well as the unforgettable giant pandas of Chengdu. The highlight, though, is a relaxing four-night cruise on the majestic Yangtze River.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

### 2021 DATES

12 Mar - 25 Mar	\$5,480	08 May - 21 May	\$5,860	14 Sep - 27 Sep	\$5,860
18 Mar - 31 Mar	\$5,480	11 May - 24 May	\$5,580	16 Sep - 29 Sep	\$5,680
23 Mar - 05 Apr	\$5,480	13 May - 26 May	\$5,580	21 Sep - 04 Oct*	\$6,080
30 Mar - 12 Apr	\$5,480	18 May - 31 May	\$5,580	23 Sep - 06 Oct*	\$6,080
01 Apr - 14 Apr	\$5,780	20 May - 02 Jun	\$5,580	05 Oct - 18 Oct*	\$5,680
06 Apr - 19 Apr	\$5,780	25 May - 07 Jun	\$5,580	07 Oct - 20 Oct	\$5,680
13 Apr - 26 Apr	\$5,860	08 Jun - 21 Jun	\$5,780	12 Oct - 25 Oct	\$5,680
20 Apr - 03 May*	\$5,780	13 Jul - 26 Jul	\$5,780	14 Oct - 27 Oct	\$5,860
22 Apr - 05 May*	\$5,780	10 Aug - 23 Aug	\$5,480	19 Oct - 01 Nov	\$5,580
29 Apr - 12 May*	\$5,780	02 Sep - 15 Sep	\$5,480	21 Oct - 03 Nov	\$4,880
04 May - 17 May*	\$5,580	07 Sep - 20 Sep	\$5,780	02 Nov - 15 Nov	\$4,880
06 May - 19 May	\$5,580	09 Sep - 22 Sep	\$5,780	04 Nov - 17 Nov	\$4,880

### 2022 DATES

17 Mar - 30 Mar	\$5,680	24 May - 06 Jun	\$5,780	15 Sep - 28 Sep	\$6,060
22 Mar - 04 Apr	\$5,680	31 May - 13 Jun	\$5,780	20 Sep - 03 Oct*	\$5,480
29 Mar - 11 Apr	\$5,680	07 Jun - 20 Jun	\$5,980	04 Oct - 17 Oct*	\$5,480
05 Apr - 18 Apr	\$5,980	14 Jun - 27 Jun	\$5,980	11 Oct - 24 Oct	\$5,480
12 Apr - 25 Apr	\$5,980	21 Jun - 04 Jul	\$5,980	13 Oct - 26 Oct	\$6,060
14 Apr - 27 Apr	\$6,060	05 Jul - 18 Jul	\$5,980	18 Oct - 31 Oct	\$5,780
19 Apr - 02 May*	\$5,980	19 Jul - 01 Aug	\$5,980	25 Oct - 07 Nov	\$5,080
03 May - 16 May*	\$5,780	09 Aug - 22 Aug	\$5,680	01 Nov - 14 Nov	\$5,080
10 May - 23 May	\$5,780	23 Aug - 05 Sep	\$5,680	08 Nov - 21 Nov	\$5,080
12 May - 25 May	\$6,060	06 Sep - 19 Sep	\$5,980	15 Nov - 28 Nov	\$5,080
17 May - 30 May	\$5,780	13 Sep - 26 Sep	\$5,980		

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## Flight and supplement information

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- Land only (Shanghai - Beijing) 13 days from \$4,100 per person, twin share
- Single Supplement from \$1,060

## Dedicated solos departure

## Important note

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NEW

# SICHUAN & YANGTZE DELIGHTS

15 DAYS FROM

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ALL MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ See the famous Dazu Rock Carvings
- ✓ Watch pandas play
- ✓ Three night Yangtze River cruise
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Discover the Forbidden City



See the famous rock carvings in Dazu

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 12 breakfasts, 11 lunches, 12 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Tuck into Beijing's famous delicacy

## ► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Tuck into a delicious feast of Beijing's best known dish, Peking duck, a food that offers a true taste of imperial China and a long-time favourite of locals and visitors alike!
- With over 50,000 sculptures and carvings dating back to the 7th-century, spend time discovering some of these for yourself and the World Heritage Listed site of Dazu.
- Cruise through Qutang, Wu and Xiling gorges, otherwise known as the Three Gorges, admiring the magnificent scenery from the comfort of your Yangtze River cruise vessel and learning about its epic history from your onboard expert.

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO CHONGQING

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

### DAY 3: DISCOVER DAZU

Travel by road to Dazu, home to the UNESCO World Heritage listed Dazu Rock Carvings. Here, you will find thousands of Buddhist, Taoist and Confucianist idols and symbols carved into the rock faces across 70 sites. Made between the 9th-13th-centuries, these rock carvings are some of the best preserved in China. Enjoy the day in Dazu before returning to Chongqing.

### DAY 4: EXPLORE WULONG

Travel to Wulong, an area of stunning natural scenery and another UNESCO World Heritage Site. Spend time strolling through the national park walking amongst the dramatic karst landscapes that include the naturally formed stone bridges, narrow gorges and limestone formations. Here, visit the Three Bridges National Park and Fairy Mountain. Stay overnight in Wulong.

### DAY 5: DISCOVER CHONGQING

Return to Chongqing and begin the day by heading to Hongyadong, an 11-storey, 75-metre high stilt house that has been built alongside a steep bank of the Jialing River. Also included is a visit to E'ling Park – a beautiful green oasis in the heart of Yuzhong District that overlooks the metropolis of Chongqing city below. Enjoy a hot pot dinner, before boarding your Yangtze River cruise vessel for a three-night stay.

### DAYS 6-7: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

As you cruise downstream, it's time to relax and let nature take over, revealing some of the worlds most dramatic scenery including the Three Gorges themselves. Over the next two days, take a side trip to the attractive Shennong or Goddess Steam and enjoy various shore excursions.

### DAY 8: YICHANG TO CHENGDU

Disembark the cruise vessel in Yichang and visit the Three Gorges Dam, a man-made marvel and a massive feat of engineering. Later, travel by bullet train to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan Province.

### DAY 9: MEET THE PANDAS

Begin the day with a visit to Chengdu's famous panda reserve to see the bears playing and chomping bamboo in surroundings that mirror their natural habitat as well as learn about the breeding programme at the conservation centre. Later, board the bullet train to the former imperial capital of Xian.

### DAY 10: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

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Cruise through the Three Gorges on the Yangtze River

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### DAYS 14-15: FLY BEIJING TO AUSTRALIA

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Visit Chengdu's famous panda reserve



Wander Wulong's Karst limestone rocks

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PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Starting at the heart of Sichuan Province, see the rock carvings of Dazu and explore Wulong before embarking on a three-night Yangtze River cruise. Also included is a visit to see the pandas, the Terracotta Army and a walk on the Great Wall.



See the Temple of Heaven in Beijing

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

### 2021 DATES

17 May - 31 May	\$5,780	11 Oct - 25 Oct	\$5,780
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### 2022 DATES

11 Apr - 25 Apr	\$5,980	12 Sep - 26 Sep	\$5,780
09 May - 23 May	\$5,980	10 Oct - 24 Oct	\$5,980

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Chongqing - Beijing) 13 days from \$5,000 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,230

### Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as of 12 August 2020, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

*Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB600pp (AU\$125pp) is paid locally in China.*

## + EXTEND YOUR STAY...

### GREAT WALL HIKE

2 days from \$930pp twin share

Visit page 78 to learn more about all of our extensions and stopovers.



# CHINA SPLENDOUR

14 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$5,080

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

ALL MEALS

## 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
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Visit Xian's old Muslim Quarter

## ► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Wander the atmospheric alleyways of Xian's old Muslim Quarter, an area that perfectly showcases the city's illustrious history as a terminus of the ancient Silk Road.
- Tuck into a delicious feast of local speciality Shui Jiao dumplings before stepping back into Xian's golden age, during the Tang Dynasty, with a music and dance performance.
- Discover the magnificent nature of the Three Natural Bridges National Park in Wulong, walking through lush valleys and gorges to admire the spectacular geological wonder of the three bridges themselves.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY 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 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 a 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 a jade factory, then relax in the idyllic gardens of the Summer Palace as you explore traditional Chinese landscapes and view exquisite architecture. This evening, you may wish to join an optional kung fu show.

### 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 watching 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 unspoilt. It comes as no surprise that Wulong is a UNESCO World Heritage Site!



Explore the streets of Chengdu

### DAY 9: THREE BRIDGES NATIONAL PARK AND 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: BULLET TRAIN TO CHENGDU

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

### DAY 11: 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 People's Park and spend time in Matchmaker's Corner.



Uncover the beauty of Wulong

Tonight, dine on delicious Sichuanese cuisine. There is an optional performance to see the 'face changing' show at the Sichuan Opera.

### 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. Later, return by road to Chengdu.

### DAYS 13-14: FLY CHENGDU TO AUSTRALIA

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

AVAILABLE AS YOUR OWN PRIVATE TOUR  
Enjoy flexibility, your own guide and vehicle.

## EXTEND YOUR STAY...



### LHASA SHORT STAY

4 days from \$2,310pp twin share

### HONG KONG GLIMPSES

3 days from \$525pp twin share

### NINE VILLAGES VALLEY SHORT STAY

4 days from \$2,010pp twin share

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## CHINA SPLENDOUR

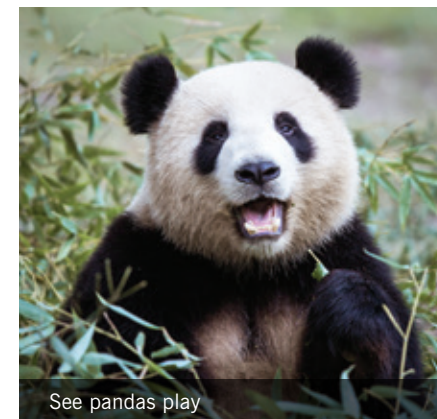
## CLASSIC CHINA

PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Combine 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.



See pandas play

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

### 2021 DATES

06 May - 19 May	\$5,580	07 Oct - 20 Oct	\$5,580
09 Sep - 22 Sep	\$5,080		

### 2022 DATES

05 May - 18 May	\$5,780	06 Oct - 19 Oct*	\$5,780
08 Sep - 21 Sep	\$5,280		

\*Departure coincides with Golden Week.

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Shanghai - Chengdu) 13 days from \$4,300 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$480

### Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as of 12 August 2020, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB480pp (AU\$100pp) is paid locally in China.



NEW

# CHINA IN STYLE

15 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$9,590

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

ALL MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Cruise the Yangtze River in luxury
- ✓ Meet a Terracotta Warriors expert
- ✓ Talk about pandas with an expert
- ✓ Sip champagne on the Great Wall
- ✓ Visit the water town of Zhujiajiao
- ✓ Ascend Jin Mao Tower in Shanghai



Explore the Forbidden City

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 13 breakfasts, 12 lunches, 13 dinners
- Australian airport chauffeur transfers
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 5 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Learn the art of calligraphy

## ► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Try your hand at the long-practised art of calligraphy, with a lesson in the basic techniques of this beautiful, stylised writing – the perfect way to connect with local culture.
- Your visit to the exceptional Terracotta Warriors is made all the more unforgettable by a meeting with one of the farmers who discovered this archaeological wonder in 1974.
- In the tranquil surroundings of the Temple of Heaven Park, a tai chi master will give a private tuition of the basic steps of this graceful martial art, an essential element of Chinese wellbeing practice.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY TO BEIJING

Arrive at the airport by chauffeured transfer and fly overnight to Beijing. On arrival, you will be accompanied by one of our experienced guides to the hotel.

### DAY 2: EXPLORE IMPERIAL BEIJING

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 and enjoy an optional kung fu show.

### 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 a jade factory, then take a leisurely stroll 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.

### 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. This evening, enjoy an optional exuberant and colourful Tang Dynasty dance performance.

### DAY 5: THE TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of the life-sized 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. Visit the workshop of the craftsmen who recreate terracotta warriors in the style of their ancient counterparts and perhaps buy a souvenir 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.

### DAY 6: EXCAVATION DIG AT HAN YANG LING

Head to Han Yang Ling Mausoleum which comprises of two large burial mounds and several smaller pits. Meet an archaeologist and take part in a simulating excavation. Next, board the bullet train to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan Province and in the evening, enjoy a performance of the face changing show at the Sichuan Opera.

### 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.

### DAY 8: BOARD YOUR CRUISE

Transfer to Chongqing and make a relaxed exploration of Ciqikou, a historic district full of traditional architecture with time for your own leisurely lunch. Board your five star Century Legend cruise ship.



Enjoy a voyage down the Yangtze River



Savour the views of Shanghai's skyline whilst enjoying an evening cocktail

### 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.

### DAY 10: DRAMATIC YANGTZE GORGES

Prepare for breathtaking vistas as you sweep through the Wu and Qutang gorges before sailing along the scenic Shennong Stream on a sampan to explore further.

### 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 not to be awestruck as you stand on the viewing platform. Next, travel to Yichang and then fly to Shanghai.

### 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.

### DAY 13: STYLISH SHANGHAI

Visit the old town, Yu Garden, colonial Bund, a silk factory and 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.

### DAYS 14-15: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

Transfer to the airport for your flight back to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. On arrival you will be transported home by chauffeured transfer.

AVAILABLE AS YOUR OWN PRIVATE TOUR  
Enjoy flexibility, your own guide and vehicle.

### EXTEND YOUR STAY...



### LHASA SHORT STAY

4 days from \$2,310pp twin share

### HONG KONG GLIMPSES

3 days from \$630pp twin share

### SUZHOU AND HANGZHOU SHORT STAY

5 days from \$1,700pp twin share

Visit page 78 to learn more about all of our extensions and stopovers.

CHINA IN STYLE

CLASSIC  
CHINA

PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Enjoy a relaxed paced tour and many special experiences as you journey through China indulging in a deluxe Yangtze cruise, staying in handpicked 5 star hotels and sampling delicious cuisine along the way.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

### 2021 DATES

15 May - 29 May \$9,590 11 Sep - 25 Sep \$9,590

### 2022 DATES

14 May - 28 May \$9,790 10 Sep - 24 Sep \$9,790

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Beijing - Shanghai) 14 days from \$8,800 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$3,350

### Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as of 12 August 2020, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

**Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB320pp (AU\$67pp) is paid locally in China.**



Discover the canals of Zhujiajiao



# WONDERS OF CHINA

16 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$5,680

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

ALL MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Watch giant pandas play
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Stay in rural Yangshuo
- ✓ Cruise the Yangtze River
- ✓ Admire Shanghai's bright lights



Admire magnificent views whilst walking along a section of the Great Wall

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 14 breakfasts, 13 lunches, 14 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Discover Beijing's hutongs

## EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Venture into Beijing's atmospheric old neighbourhoods, the hutongs, exploring the narrow alleyways, passing traditional courtyard houses and getting a glimpse into daily life here.
- Cruise through Qutang, Wu and Xiling gorges, otherwise known as the Three Gorges, admiring the magnificent scenery from the comfort of your Yangtze River cruise vessel and learning about its epic history from your onboard expert.
- Zoom across China aboard a superfast bullet train, on what is the world's longest high-speed railway network, travelling at up to 350 kilometres an hour in comfort.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY 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 leisurely stroll 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 a jade factory, where you have the opportunity 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. This evening, enjoy an optional kung fu show.

### 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 Yichang where you will 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 various shore excursions.

### DAY 10: CHONGQING PANDA HOUSE

Disembark from the cruise vessel and visit the Panda House in Chongqing. Later, board the bullet train to Guilin.



Explore the amazing landscape of Yangshuo

### 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.

### DAY 13: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Take a walk around the picturesque Ronghu Lake and admire the Sun and 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 Garden, the old town and a silk factory and admire the colonial architecture with a stroll along the Bund. This evening, enjoy some tasty traditional Shanghaiese cuisine.

**DAYS 15-16: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA**  
Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

**AVAILABLE AS YOUR OWN PRIVATE TOUR**  
Enjoy flexibility, your own guide and vehicle.



Discover the Terracotta Warriors

## WONDERS OF CHINA

CLASSIC  
CHINA

PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

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

Prices are per person, twin share

### 2021 DATES

15 Mar - 30 Mar	\$5,680	07 Jun - 22 Jun	\$6,480
22 Mar - 06 Apr	\$6,080	05 Jul - 20 Jul	\$6,480
05 Apr - 20 Apr	\$6,480	02 Aug - 17 Aug	\$5,680
10 Apr - 25 Apr	\$6,880	23 Aug - 07 Sep	\$5,680
12 Apr - 27 Apr	\$6,880	06 Sep - 21 Sep	\$6,780
19 Apr - 04 May*	\$6,880	11 Sep - 26 Sep	\$6,780
26 Apr - 11 May*	\$6,880	13 Sep - 28 Sep	\$6,780
08 May - 23 May	\$6,980	20 Sep - 05 Oct*	\$6,780
10 May - 25 May	\$6,980	09 Oct - 24 Oct	\$6,780
15 May - 30 May	\$6,980	11 Oct - 26 Oct	\$6,580
17 May - 01 Jun	\$6,980	18 Oct - 02 Nov	\$6,580
22 May - 06 Jun	\$6,580	25 Oct - 09 Nov	\$6,850
24 May - 08 Jun	\$6,580	08 Nov - 23 Nov	\$5,880

### 2022 DATES

14 Mar - 29 Mar	\$5,880	18 Jul - 02 Aug	\$6,680
21 Mar - 05 Apr	\$5,880	15 Aug - 30 Aug	\$5,880
28 Mar - 12 Apr	\$6,280	05 Sep - 20 Sep	\$6,980
04 Apr - 19 Apr	\$6,680	12 Sep - 27 Sep	\$6,980
11 Apr - 26 Apr	\$7,080	19 Sep - 04 Oct*	\$6,980
18 Apr - 03 May*	\$7,080	26 Sep - 11 Oct*	\$6,980
25 Apr - 10 May*	\$7,080	10 Oct - 25 Oct	\$6,780
09 May - 24 May	\$7,180	17 Oct - 01 Nov	\$6,780
16 May - 31 May	\$7,180	22 Oct - 06 Nov	\$7,050
21 May - 05 Jun	\$7,050	24 Oct - 08 Nov	\$6,780
23 May - 07 Jun	\$6,780	31 Oct - 15 Nov	\$6,780
30 May - 14 Jun	\$6,780	07 Nov - 22 Nov	\$6,080
13 Jun - 28 Jun	\$6,680	14 Nov - 29 Nov	\$6,080

\*Departure coincides with Golden Week.

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Beijing - Shanghai) 15 days from \$4,900 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,120

### Dedicated solos departure

### Important note

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16 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$7,080

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ALL MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Admire Shanghai's bright lights
- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Cruise the Yangtze River
- ✓ Watch giant pandas play
- ✓ Enjoy time in Hong Kong

Admire Hong Kong's renowned jaw-dropping skyline

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 14 breakfasts, 13 lunches, 14 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



See the giant Buddha of Lantau Island

## ► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Soar over the spectacular landscapes of Hong Kong's Lantau Island on the Ngong Ping 360 cable car, flying ever closer to the giant Buddha perched serenely on his hilltop.
- Explore the quirks of local culture in Chengdu at the fascinating 'Matchmaker's Corner', a place where parents search for potential suitors for their children.
- Discover the bustling harbour of Aberdeen fishing village from a different perspective, watching the coming and goings of the local fleet from your seat onboard one of the many traditional sampans that ply the waters.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY TO BEIJING

Fly to Beijing, China's historic 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. Explore Beijing's old hutongs by foot and visit the home of a local family. Enjoy traditional Peking duck for 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 a jade factory then spend the afternoon strolling through the idyllic gardens of the Summer Palace as you wander through traditional Chinese landscapes and see the exquisite architecture.

### 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. Later, transfer to the airport and fly to the ancient city of Xian. In the evening, you will have the option to join a tour to see the city lit up at night.

### DAY 5: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

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 the 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. This evening, feast on Shui Jiao dumplings before watching a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

### DAY 6: BULLET TRAIN TO CHENGDU

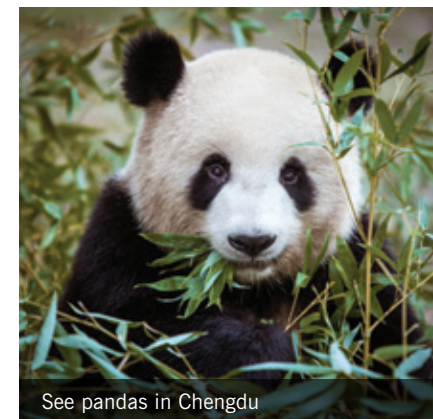
Enjoy a relaxed morning with time to walk through the atmospheric alleys of the Muslim Quarter which are lined with food stalls. Here, you will gain an insight into the city's fascinating culture and significance as the start of the Silk Road. Later, take a bullet train to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan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

### 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 three days on the Yangtze River.



See pandas in Chengdu



Explore the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City

### 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 of Shennong Stream and enjoy various shore excursions. A man-made marvel, you will also see the Three Gorges Dam which showcases a simply massive feat of engineering. Disembark and travel to Yichang 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 a silk factory and take an optional trip on the super-fast Maglev train. 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

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! Upon arrival, embark on an island tour, starting with a visit to 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.

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Enjoy flexibility, your own guide and vehicle.

### EXTEND YOUR STAY...



#### GREAT WALL HIKE

4 days from \$930pp twin share

#### TASTE OF MACAO STOPOVER

3 days from \$560pp twin share

Visit page 78 to learn more about all of our extensions and stopovers.

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## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

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, another essential China experience!

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

### 2021 DATES

07 Apr - 22 Apr	\$7,080	15 Sep - 30 Sep	\$7,080
05 May - 20 May	\$7,080	13 Oct - 28 Oct	\$7,080

### 2022 DATES

13 Apr - 28 Apr	\$7,280	14 Sep - 29 Sep	\$7,280
12 May - 27 May	\$7,280	12 Oct - 27 Oct	\$7,280

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Beijing - Hong Kong) 15 days from \$6,300 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,380

### Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as of 12 August 2020, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

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Stroll along the Bund, Shanghai



# CHINA & TIBET DISCOVERY

16 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$6,280

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

ALL MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

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



Admire the impressive Potala Palace

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 14 breakfasts, 13 lunches, 14 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Stroll along Xian's city walls

## ► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Take a relaxed walk above Xian's old town, strolling on the magnificent city walls that encircle it and taking in the views as you go.
- Wander the Barkhor circuit, the pilgrimage route that surrounds the sacred Jokhang temple, pausing to browse the plentiful market stalls and watch the traditionally-dressed pilgrims, who have come from all over Tibet, complete their journey.
- Spend an evening revelling in the traditions of Tibet, dining on delicious local food and watching a performance of native dance and music.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY TO BEIJING

Fly overnight to Beijing, China's historic 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 before enjoying 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 a 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

Take the bullet train to Xian. Explore the 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 the 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.



See adorable pandas



See Tibetan monks



Spin traditional prayer wheels in Jokhang Temple

### DAY 7: JOKHANG TEMPLE AND THE BARKHOR CIRCUIT

Lhasa is a contemporary, fast-growing city, but among the narrow, old streets at its heart you'll feel a million miles from the modern world. Wander around the Barkhor Circuit 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: POTOLA 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. 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: FLY TO CHENGDU

Fly to Chengdu, the capital of Sichuan Province. This evening, there will be a delicious Sichuanese meal to savour.

### DAY 10: PANDAS

Begin today with a visit to Chengdu's 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 various shore excursions.

### DAY 13: THREE GORGES DAM

Visit the Three Gorges Dam, 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 not to be awestruck as you stand on the viewing platform. Disembark your cruise vessel and travel to Yichang 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, a 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 Shanghainese meal.

### DAYS 15-16: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

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

## CHINA & TIBET DISCOVERY

CLASSIC CHINA

PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

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

Prices are per person, twin share

### 2021 DATES

10 Apr - 25 Apr	\$7,080	11 Sep - 26 Sep	\$7,080
08 May - 23 May	\$7,080	09 Oct - 24 Oct	\$7,080
28 Aug - 12 Sep	\$6,280		

### 2022 DATES

09 Apr - 24 Apr	\$7,280	10 Sep - 25 Sep	\$7,280
07 May - 22 May	\$7,280	08 Oct - 23 Oct	\$7,280
27 Aug - 11 Sep	\$6,480		

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Beijing - Shanghai) 15 days from \$5,500 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,280

### Important note

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# YUNNAN & SICHUAN

17 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$6,080

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

ALL MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Glimpse the past in Lijiang
- ✓ Admire Tiger Leaping Gorge
- ✓ Cable car to Mount Emei
- ✓ Explore Wulong National Park
- ✓ Watch giant pandas play
- ✓ Discover delightful Dali



Spend time in Wulong National Park

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 14 breakfasts, 13 lunches, 14 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Stop at markets in Xizhou

## EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Visit the village of Xizhou where, as well as browsing the laden stalls of the bustling, local market, you'll be able to see members of the Naxi minority community in their colourful, traditional dress.
- A speciality dish of Yunnan province, tucked into a delicious bowl of Across the Bridge noodles in provincial capital Kunming, a famous and flavourful noodle soup with a touching story behind it.
- Explore the quirks of local culture in Chengdu at the fascinating 'Matchmaker's Corner', a place where parents search for potential suitors for their children.

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT 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

Spend the morning meandering through the formations of the UNESCO-listed Stone Forest, where towering limestone pillars stand tree-like in a fascinating illusion of woodland. Return to Kunming and in the evening, sample the local delicacy, Across the Bridge Noodles. Tonight, there is also the option to see a colourful showcase of Yunnan's performing arts.

### 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, admiring 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, where you can mingle with traditionally-dressed Naxi women, and browse its lively local market. Drive to Lijiang, set in the foothills of the magnificent Jade Dragon Snow Mountain. Visit the Black Dragon Pool, where there are wonderful views of the mountains.

### 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 unspoilt. It will come as no surprise that Wulong is a UNESCO World Heritage site!

### DAY 10: THREE BRIDGES NATIONAL PARK AND 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 11: LESHAN

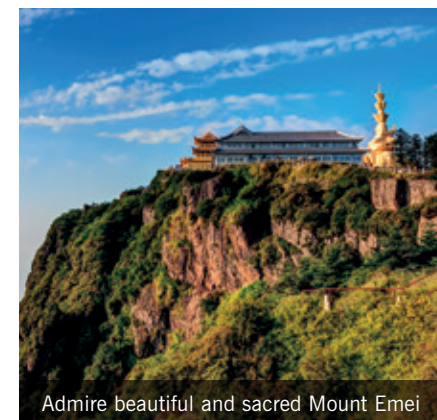
Take a scenic drive to Leshan and upon arrival, enjoy the rest of the day at leisure.

### 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 below on a short boat trip, which will give you a great perspective of the impressive rock carving. Later, continue to Emeishan.

### DAY 13: EXPLORE MOUNT EMEISHAN

Mount Emeishan is the cradle of the Buddhist religion in China with the first temple built on its peak in the 1st-century. Take a cable car to the summit and admire the striking and diverse natural beauty of the mountain and surrounding landscape. Spend the day soaking up the ambience and exploring.



Admire beautiful and sacred Mount Emei

### DAY 14: CHENGDU

Travel to Chengdu and take a walk through the famous snack street – Jinli! Tonight, there is an option to see a performance of the Sichuan Opera, famous for 'face changing'.

### DAY 15: PANDAS

Visit Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre 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. 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.

## EXTEND YOUR STAY...



### NINE VILLAGES VALLEY SHORT STAY

4 days from \$2,010pp twin share

### LHASA SHORT STAY

4 days from \$2,310pp twin share

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YUNNAN & SICHUAN

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## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

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



See Naxi women in traditional dress

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

### 2021 DATES

10 Apr - 26 Apr	\$6,080	09 Oct - 25 Oct	\$6,280
11 Sep - 27 Sep	\$6,080		

### 2022 DATES

09 Apr - 25 Apr	\$6,280	08 Oct - 24 Oct	\$6,480
10 Sep - 26 Sep	\$6,280		

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Kunming - Chengdu) 15 days from \$5,200 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$840

### Important note

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# ANCIENT CHINA

18 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$5,180

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

ALL MEALS

## 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

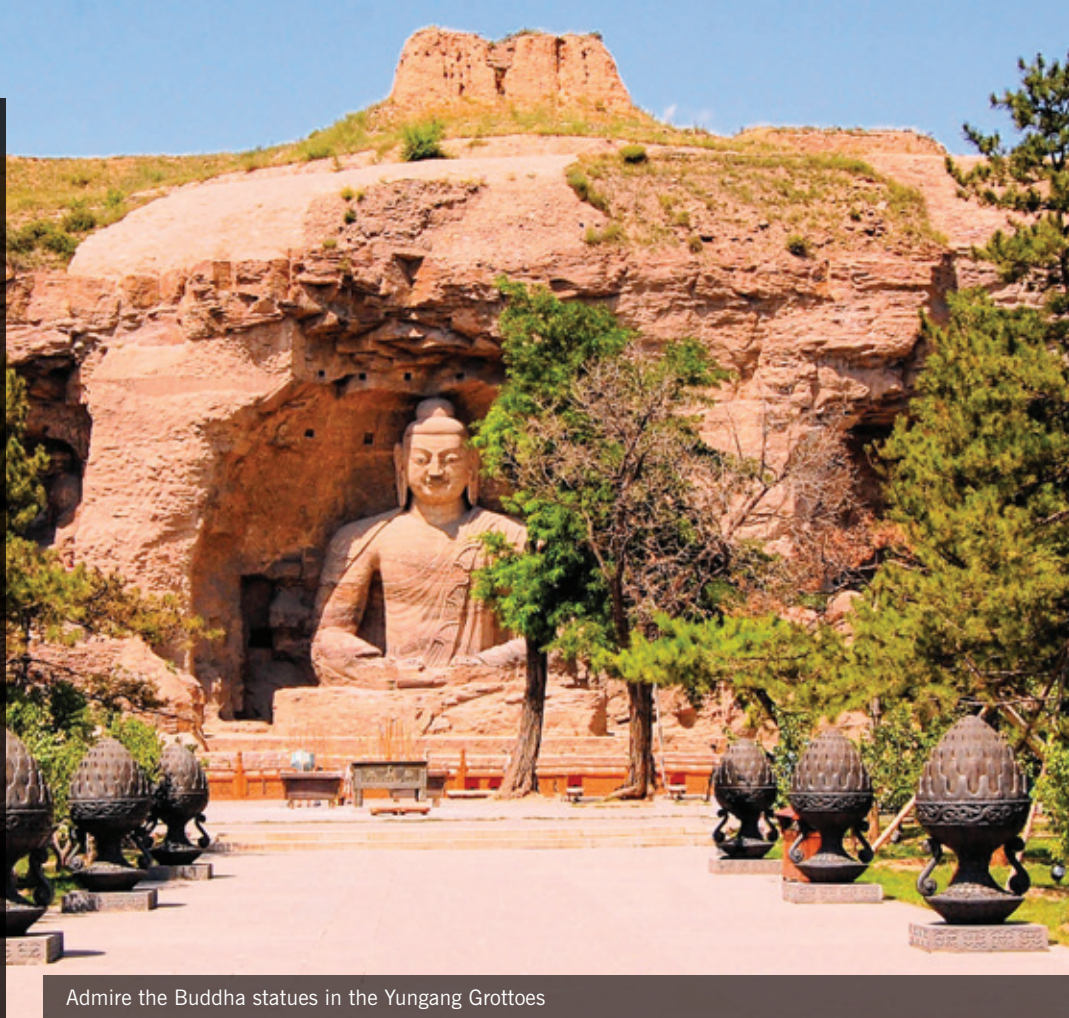
- 16 breakfasts, 15 lunches, 16 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australia passport holders



Try the art of paper cutting

## ▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Discover the traditional Chinese folk art of paper cutting, an intricate and beautiful craft that's been practiced since the 6th-century. After a demonstration of the techniques, try your hand at creating your own paper cutting.
- ▶ Venture into Beijing's atmospheric old neighbourhoods, the hutongs, exploring the narrow alleyways by traditional rickshaw, passing traditional courtyard houses and getting a glimpse into daily life here.
- ▶ As part of a visit to the Shaolin Temple, with its long and famous history of martial arts, watch an action-packed kung fu show by the monks and their trainees, who will demonstrate their astonishing skills.



Admire the Buddha statues in the Yungang Grottoes

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY 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 leisurely stroll 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 a jade factory, where you will be able to buy a small handcrafted piece. Jade is revered throughout China and 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 bullet train to Datong, watching the rural splendour of China pass by your window. Known for its abundant historical relics and natural beauty, upon arrival visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Yungang Caves where you will see the well-preserved rock carvings from the surrounding sandstone cliffs. Today, it is one of the three most famous ancient Buddhist cultural sites of China.

### DAY 6: THE HANGING TEMPLE

Visit the 1,400-year-old, gravity-defying Hanging Temple that seemingly floats 50 metres up the face of Jinxia Gorge before travelling on to Wutaishan.

### DAY 7: WUTAISHAN

The day starts with a visit to one of China's four sacred Buddhist mountains, Wutaishan (Five Terraced Mountain) and 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 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, an art dating back to the 6th-century.



See Pingyao's ancient architecture



Visit Shaolin Temple and witness the monks practising kung fu

### DAY 9: EXPLORE PINGYAO

Explore the characterful old town of Pingyao, strolling 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 government building during 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 life-sized 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 Shanghainese cuisine for dinner.

### DAYS 17-18: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

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

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## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

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

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2021 DATES			
06 Apr - 23 Apr	\$5,580	14 Sep - 01 Oct	\$5,180
04 May - 21 May*	\$5,180	12 Oct - 29 Oct	\$5,580
2022 DATES			
12 Apr - 29 Apr	\$5,780	13 Sep - 30 Sep	\$5,380
10 May - 27 May	\$5,380	11 Oct - 28 Oct	\$5,780

\*Departure coincides with Golden Week.

## Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Beijing - Shanghai) 17 days from \$4,400 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,099

## Important note

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# CHINA DELIGHTS

18 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$5,480

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ALL MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Cruise Hangzhou's West Lake
- ✓ Discover old gardens in Suzhou
- ✓ Stay in rural Yangshuo
- ✓ Watch giant pandas play
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall



Cruise the waterways of Suzhou's Grand Canal

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 16 breakfasts, 15 lunches, 16 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Start the day with a tai chi class

## ► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Long practised in China, many people start their day with a session of tai chi - do the same with a morning class with an instructor and continue your day feeling invigorated.
- Visit a plantation and learn all about the process of cultivating, plucking, processing and producing that wonderful beverage, tea! There will also be a taster, to keep you refreshed.
- Cruise on the historic Grand Canal, built over 1,000 years ago to transport goods around the kingdom, through the picturesque old town of Suzhou.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY 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 a 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 a silk factory and the Shanghai Museum to see the collection of fine arts and antiquities. 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.



Visit a tea plantation in Hangzhou

### 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. This evening, enjoy an optional performance of Sichuan opera for the actors' famous 'face-changing'.

### 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 the style of their ancient counterparts. Later, 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 a 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 followed by an optional kung fu show.

### DAYS 17-18: FLY BEIJING TO AUSTRALIA

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

AVAILABLE AS YOUR OWN PRIVATE TOUR  
Enjoy flexibility, your own guide and vehicle.

## CHINA DELIGHTS

CLASSIC  
CHINA

PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Enjoy 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, Terracotta Warriors, pandas and Shanghai.



Explore rural Yangshuo

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

### 2021 DATES

13 Apr - 30 Apr	\$5,880	21 Sep - 08 Oct*	\$5,880
18 May - 04 Jun	\$5,780	12 Oct - 29 Oct	\$5,780

### 2022 DATES

12 Apr - 29 Apr	\$5,780	13 Sep - 30 Sep	\$5,480
10 May - 27 May	\$5,480	11 Oct - 28 Oct	\$5,780

\*Departure coincides with Golden Week.

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Shanghai - Beijing) 17 days from \$4,800 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$950

### Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as of 12 August 2020, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB740pp (AU\$154pp) is paid locally in China.



# CLASSIC CHINA

21 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$7,380

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

ALL MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Explore friendly Yangshuo
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Cruise the Yangtze River
- ✓ 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
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Stroll through Baisha Village

## ▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Explore the peaceful village of Baisha, home to the Naxi, one of China's many minority peoples. Whilst here you can meet the friendly locals, delve into their rich culture and get a glimpse of their day to day lives.
- ▶ Sail high above the breathtaking landscapes of Yunnan into the majestic heights of Jade Dragon Snow Mountain by cable car, reaching an observation point at 4,500 metres and exploring a beautiful high-altitude meadow.
- ▶ Step back in time to relive the majesty of the Tang Dynasty, of which Xian was the prosperous and glorious capital, with a colourful spectacular of traditional music and dancing.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY TO BEIJING

Fly to Beijing, China's historic 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 a 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. This evening, there is an option to see some kung fu masters in action.

### DAY 4: BULLET TRAIN TO XIAN

Board the bullet train 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 the 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.

### 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.



See the magnificent Temple of Heaven



Walk in the Stone Forest

### 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

Board the bullet train 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 itself.

### DAY 12: 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. 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 to 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 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 followed by an option to watch a traditional Sichuan Opera performance.

### DAY 15: 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 travel to Yichang 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 Yu Garden, the 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. 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.

CLASSIC CHINA

CLASSIC CHINA

PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Cruise along the Yangtze and Li Rivers and let the spectacular landscapes take your breath away. Explore the cobbled streets of old Lijiang, gaze on the magnificent Tiger Leaping Gorge and visit the giant pandas in Chengdu.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2021 DATES			
05 Apr - 25 Apr	\$7,380	06 Sep - 26 Sep	\$7,380
10 May - 30 May	\$7,380	11 Oct - 31 Oct	\$7,580
2022 DATES			
04 Apr - 24 Apr	\$7,580	05 Sep - 25 Sep	\$7,580
09 May - 29 May	\$7,580	12 Sep - 02 Oct*	\$7,580
16 May - 05 Jun	\$7,580	10 Oct - 30 Oct	\$7,780

\*Departure coincides with Golden Week.

## Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Beijing - Shanghai) 20 days from \$6,500 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,360

## Important note

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# MAGNIFICENT CHINA

22 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$6,480

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

ALL MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Watch giant pandas play
- ✓ Stay in rural Yangshuo
- ✓ Cruise the Yangtze River
- ✓ Stroll old gardens in Suzhou

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 20 breakfasts, 19 lunches, 20 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Visit a traditional tea house in Chengdu

## ► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- At the heart of a huge tea-producing region and once a stop on the Tea Horse Road, drinking tea is an essential element of life in Chengdu. Visit a traditional tea house to experience the history, customs and the perfect brew.
- Visit the park surrounding the Temple of Heaven to soak up the beautiful surroundings and mingle with the local people who gather here daily to exercise, socialise, play cards and relax – you can even take part in a group dance session!
- Spend an evening exploring China's long and fascinating history in a breathtaking show of martial arts, acrobatics and stunning special effects – the fantastic ERA Show at the Shanghai Circus World.



Discover imperial riches in the Forbidden City

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY TO BEIJING

Fly to Beijing, China's historic 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 leisurely stroll 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. Visit a jade factory then 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. Later, take the bullet train to Xian, the ancient former capital.

### 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. Tonight, feast on traditional Shui Jiao dumplings and watch a Tang Dynasty dance show.

### DAY 6: ANCIENT CITY WALL

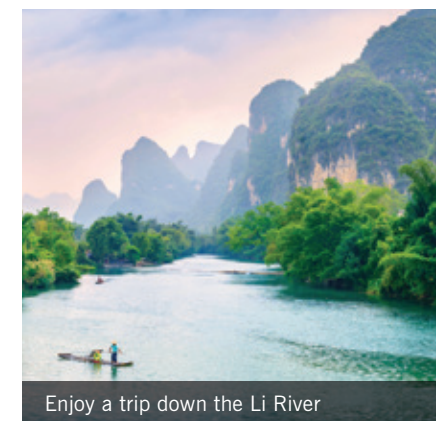
Visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda and take a stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th-century city walls that enclose Xian's old town. Later this afternoon, explore the narrow streets of the atmospheric Muslim Quarter, which are lined with Islamic food stalls. Here, you will gain an insight into the city's fascinating culture and significance as the start of the Silk Road.

### DAY 7: BULLET TRAIN TO CHENGDU

Board the bullet train to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan Province. Tonight, there is an option to see a performance of Sichuan Opera, famous for 'face-changing'.

### DAY 8: CHENGDU 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. Later, stroll through the vibrant People's Park with a stop at Matchmaker's Corner, where parents search for worthy suitors for their children. Also stop at a traditional tea house and wander through the Wide and Narrow Alleys. Tonight, dine on delicious Sichuanese food.



Enjoy a trip down the Li River

### DAY 9: BOARD YOUR CRUISE

Fly to Yichang to board your Yangtze River cruise vessel, where you will stay for the next four nights.

### DAYS 10-12: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

Visit The Three Gorges Dam which showcases a massive feat of engineering. As you 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, as well as various shore excursions.

### DAY 13: BULLET TRAIN TO GUILIN

Disembark in Chongqing and then board the bullet train to the beautiful city of Guilin.

### 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.



Visit the Humble Administrator's Garden

### 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. Discover the colourful stalagmites and stalactites of Reed Flute Cave and 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. Suzhou is 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 a 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 CHINA

## PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

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

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

### 2021 DATES

27 Mar - 17 Apr	\$6,980	07 Aug - 28 Aug	\$6,980
03 Apr - 24 Apr	\$7,480	04 Sep - 25 Sep	\$6,980
10 Apr - 01 May	\$7,480	11 Sep - 02 Oct*	\$7,480
24 Apr - 15 May*	\$7,480	18 Sep - 09 Oct*	\$7,480
08 May - 29 May	\$7,480	25 Sep - 16 Oct*	\$7,480
15 May - 05 Jun	\$7,480	09 Oct - 30 Oct	\$7,180
22 May - 12 Jun	\$7,480	16 Oct - 06 Nov	\$7,180
12 Jun - 03 Jul	\$6,980	23 Oct - 13 Nov	\$6,480
10 Jul - 31 Jul	\$6,980	30 Oct - 20 Nov	\$7,080

### 2022 DATES

11 Mar - 01 Apr	\$7,180	10 Jun - 01 Jul	\$7,180
18 Mar - 08 Apr	\$7,180	08 Jul - 29 Jul	\$7,180
25 Mar - 15 Apr	\$7,180	05 Aug - 26 Aug	\$7,180
08 Apr - 29 Apr	\$7,280	09 Sep - 30 Sep	\$7,180
15 Apr - 06 May*	\$7,680	16 Sep - 07 Oct*	\$7,680
22 Apr - 13 May*	\$7,680	23 Sep - 14 Oct*	\$7,680
06 May - 27 May	\$7,680	07 Oct - 28 Oct	\$7,380
13 May - 03 Jun	\$7,680	14 Oct - 04 Nov	\$7,380
20 May - 10 Jun	\$7,680	21 Oct - 11 Nov	\$6,680
27 May - 17 Jun	\$7,680	28 Oct - 18 Nov	\$7,280

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### Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Beijing - Shanghai) 21 days from \$5,700 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,500

### Dedicated solos departure

### Important note

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# CHINA ENCOUNTERS

23 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$7,290

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ALL MEALS

## 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

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 21 breakfasts, 20 lunches, 21 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Experience life in a Yunnan village

## ► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Sit down to a delicious meal of home-cooked food, prepared for you by members of the Tibetan community in a charming, rural Yunnan village.
- Walk on the magnificent Great Wall, discovering the lesser-visited Jinshanling, a section restored to its Ming Dynasty glory and which passes through magnificent surroundings.
- Learn about the history of Yunnan Province and its many minority peoples in a spectacular show of traditional music, dancing and performance, called Dynamic Yunnan.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY TO BEIJING

Fly to Beijing, China's historic 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 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.

### DAY 3: SUMMER PALACE

In the morning, enjoy the idyllic gardens of the Summer Palace before visiting a jade factory, then travel to Chengde by road.

### DAY 4: EXPLORE CHENGDE

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 Puyuo.

### DAY 5: THE GREAT WALL

Make the return journey back to Beijing. This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall, namely the Jinshanling section. 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.

### DAY 6: TRAVEL TO XIAN

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.

### DAY 7: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

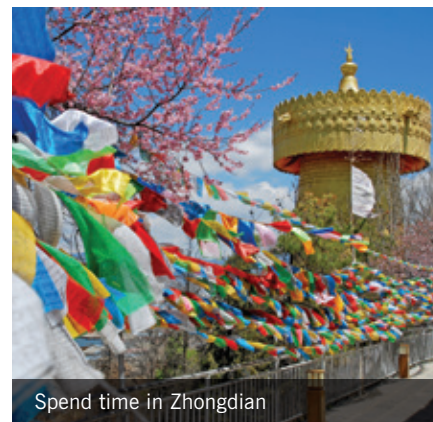
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### DAY 8: BULLET TRAIN TO CHENGDU

Board the bullet train to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan Province.

### DAY 9: CHENGDU GIANT PANDAS

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Spend time in Zhongdian

### DAY 10: BOARD YOUR CRUISE

Take the bullet train to Yichang and board your Yangtze River cruise vessel, where you will stay for the next four nights.

### DAYS 11-13: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

Visit The Three Gorges Dam which showcases a massive feat of engineering. As you 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, as well as various shore excursions.

### DAY 14: FLY TO ZHONGDIAN

Disembark in Chongqing and then fly to the monastery town of Zhongdian, also known as Shangri-La. This afternoon is at leisure to acclimatise to the altitude.

### DAY 15: SONGZANLIN MONASTERY

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.

### DAY 16: TIGER LEAPING GORGE

Journey to the 3,000-metre-deep Tiger Leaping Gorge. With its stunning backdrop of snow-capped mountains, it is one of China's most extraordinary sights. The whole area is spectacular, with 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.

### DAY 17: 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 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.

### DAY 18: BLACK DRAGON POOL

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.

### DAYS 19-20: ENCHANTING DALI

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-dye demonstration. Wander through Dali's ancient quarter and relax with a cruise on Erhai Lake. The next day, visit the Three Pagodas and take the bullet train to Kunming. This evening, dine on local dish Across the Bridge Noodles.

### DAY 21: STONE FOREST

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

### DAY 22-23: FLY KUNMING TO AUSTRALIA

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

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## CHINA ENCOUNTERS

CLASSIC  
CHINA

PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

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.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

### 2021 DATES

08 May - 30 May \$7,290 04 Sep - 26 Sep \$7,290

### 2022 DATES

07 May - 29 May \$7,490 03 Sep - 25 Sep \$7,490

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Beijing - Kunming) 22 days from \$6,430 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,690

### Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as of 12 August 2020, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

Customary tipping amount of approximately **RMB1,090pp (AU\$222pp)** is paid locally in China.

## + EXTEND YOUR STAY...

### ZHANGJIAJIE SHORT STAY

4 days from \$900pp twin share

### HONG KONG GLIMPSES

3 days from \$525pp twin share

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# GRAND TOUR OF CHINA

26 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$7,480

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

ALL MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Watch giant pandas play
- ✓ Stay in rural Yangshuo
- ✓ Cruise the Yangtze River
- ✓ Discover old China in Dali
- ✓ Stroll the gardens in Suzhou



Admire Shanghai's futuristic skyline

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 24 breakfasts, 23 lunches, 24 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Visit the traditional hutongs of Beijing

## ► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Venture into Beijing's atmospheric old neighbourhoods, the hutongs, exploring the narrow alleyways and visiting the traditional courtyard house of a family, who will give you a glimpse into their daily life.
- Long practised in China, many people start their day with a session of tai chi – do the same with a morning class with an instructor and continue your day feeling invigorated.
- Cruise on the waters on the Huangpu, the river that bisects Shanghai, the perfect way to appreciate the contrast of the west bank, where you'll find the colonial architecture of The Bund, and the east bank, home to the ultramodern skyscrapers of Pudong.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY 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.

### DAYS 2-3: 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 Yichang where you will 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 various 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 with the option to watch a Sichuan Opera performance.

### 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 charming city of Dali.

### DAYS 13-14: ENCHANTING DALI

Dali offers a peek of the China of times-gone-by. Over the next two days, travel to Xizhou village to browse around the local market, see the Yan Family House, cruise on Erhai Lake, explore Dali's ancient quarter and visit the Three Pagodas. Transfer to Kunming.

### DAY 15: STONE FOREST

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



See the Three Pagodas in Dali



Walk Xian's ancient city walls

### DAY 16: FLY TO GUILIN

Fly to the beautiful city of 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.

### DAY 19: GUILIN

Return to Guilin and visit a 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 and the tea plantations of Meijiawu. The next day, enjoy a cruise on West Lake and visit Xihu Tiandi 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.

### 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 Shanghainese 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 Yu Garden, the old town, a 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.

AVAILABLE AS YOUR OWN PRIVATE TOUR  
Enjoy flexibility, your own guide and vehicle.



Explore charming Suzhou

## GRAND TOUR OF CHINA

CLASSIC  
CHINA

PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

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

Prices are per person, twin share

### 2021 DATES

19 Mar - 13 Apr	\$7,480	11 Jun - 06 Jul	\$8,180
26 Mar - 20 Apr	\$7,780	06 Aug - 31 Aug	\$7,480
02 Apr - 27 Apr	\$7,780	10 Sep - 05 Oct*	\$8,580
09 Apr - 04 May*	\$7,780	17 Sep - 12 Oct*	\$8,580
23 Apr - 18 May*	\$7,780	08 Oct - 02 Nov	\$8,180
30 Apr - 25 May*	\$8,580	15 Oct - 09 Nov	\$8,180
07 May - 01 Jun	\$8,580	22 Oct - 16 Nov	\$7,480
21 May - 15 Jun	\$8,180		

### 2022 DATES

18 Mar - 12 Apr	\$7,680	03 Jun - 28 Jun	\$8,380
25 Mar - 19 Apr	\$7,980	05 Aug - 30 Aug	\$7,680
08 Apr - 03 May*	\$7,980	09 Sep - 04 Oct*	\$8,780
15 Apr - 10 May*	\$7,980	16 Sep - 11 Oct*	\$8,780
22 Apr - 17 May*	\$7,980	23 Sep - 18 Oct*	\$8,780
06 May - 31 May	\$8,780	07 Oct - 01 Nov	\$8,380
13 May - 07 Jun	\$8,780	14 Oct - 08 Nov	\$8,380
20 May - 14 Jun	\$8,380	21 Oct - 15 Nov	\$7,680

\*Departure coincides with Golden Week.

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Beijing - Shanghai) 25 days from \$6,700 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,740

### Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as of 12 August 2020, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

**Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB1,140pp (AU\$238pp) is paid locally in China.**



# ULTIMATE CHINA

27 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$9,290

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

ALL MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Gaze at the Warriors
- ✓ Visit the Stone Forest
- ✓ Explore Dali and Zhongdian
- ✓ Stay in mystical Lhasa
- ✓ Cruise the Yangtze River

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 25 breakfasts, 24 lunches, 25 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Meet Tibetan locals

## ► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Venture to a Tibetan village in the highlands of Yunnan province to meet the local community, visit a traditional family home and experience the intriguing blend of the Tibetan and Chinese way of life.
- Painted during the Ming Dynasty (1368 and 1644) the incredible Baisha Frescoes tell fascinating stories of the daily life, religion and politics of their time and have retained their bright colours and vivid patterns.
- Cruise on the crystal-clear, tranquil waters of Erhai Lake, admiring the views over the Cangshan Mountains and passing its many famous islands, many of them complete with colourful temples.



Explore the temples of Zhongdian

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY TO BEIJING

Fly overnight to Beijing, China's historic 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. Later, soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, where you can 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.

### 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 a jade factory then spend the afternoon in the idyllic gardens of the Summer Palace. This evening, there is an option to see kung fu masters in action.

### DAY 4: BULLET TRAIN TO XIAN

Take the bullet train to Xian and 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 the 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

Visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda. Next, fly to Guilin and visit a pearl factory.

### 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

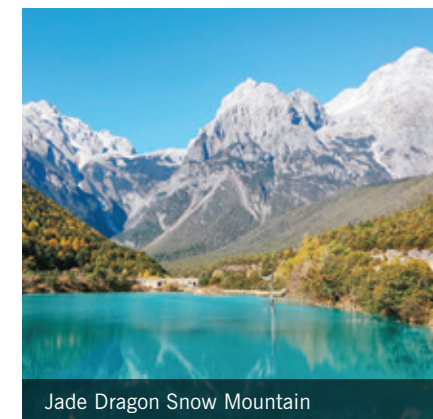
Begin with a relaxing and invigorating session of tai chi, taking a class with a master to learn this ancient martial art. Explore the countryside and stop on the banks of the Li River for a photo opportunity with a cormorant fisherman. Enjoy time at leisure or choose one of the many optional activities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

### DAY 9: TRAVEL TO KUNMING

Drive back to Guilin and visit Reed Flute Cave to see the colourful stalagmites and stalactites. Next, fly to Kunming, capital of Yunnan Province.

### DAY 10: THE STONE FOREST

Meander through the formations of the UNESCO-listed Stone Forest, where towering limestone pillars stand tree-like



Jade Dragon Snow Mountain



Walk the Great Wall of China

in a fascinating illusion of woodland. This evening, dine on the local dish, Across the Bridge Noodles.

### DAY 11: BULLET TRAIN TO DALI

Board the bullet train to Dali, a charming town that offers a peek at bygone China and discover the magnificent Three Pagodas.

### DAY 12: ENCHANTING DALI

Today, explore the village of Xizhou to browse its local market, visit the Yan family home and watch a tie-dyeing demonstration and wander through Dali's ancient quarter. Also enjoy a relaxing cruise on Erhai Lake.

### DAY 13: EXPLORE LIJIANG

Drive to Lijiang, set in the foothills of Jade Dragon Snow Mountain and visit Shaxi village.

### DAY 14: 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 its spectacular Ming Dynasty frescoes and Baisha village, a settlement of the Naxi minority people.

### DAY 15: 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. Next, continue to the monastery town of Zhongdian, also known as Shangri-La. This afternoon is at leisure to acclimatise to the altitude.

### DAY 16: TIBETAN ZHONGDIAN

Begin the day with a visit to a Tibetan-style village where you will learn about the villagers' way of life. Also visit Dafo Temple, explore the spectacular Songzanlin Monastery and end the day with a tour of the old town.

### DAY 17: 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 18: THE BARKHOR CIRCUIT

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 Circuit with traditionally-dressed locals and explore the Jokhang Temple, the sacred centre of Tibetan Buddhism. There will also be a visit to Sera Monastery, a renowned seat of Buddhist learning, and a local Tibetan arts and crafts shop.

### DAY 19: 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. This afternoon, explore Norbulingka, the former summer residence of the Dalai Lama.

### DAY 20: FLY TO CHENGDU

Fly to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan Province. Take a stroll through People's Park to see Matchmaker's Corner, where parents search for suitable partners for their children. Tonight, dine on local Sichuan cuisine.

## ULTIMATE CHINA

## CLASSIC CHINA

## PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

This really is the ultimate tour for those who want to experience China and Tibet in depth! From modern cities and ancient history to rural villages and spectacular landscapes, this is the tour to discover all of China's highlights in just one visit.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

### 2021 DATES

07 May - 02 Jun	\$9,290	08 Oct - 03 Nov	\$9,420
03 Sep - 29 Sep	\$9,290		

### 2022 DATES

06 May - 01 Jun	\$9,490	07 Oct - 02 Nov	\$9,490
02 Sep - 28 Sep	\$9,490		

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Beijing - Shanghai) 26 days from \$8,400 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,810

### Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as of 12 August 2020, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

**Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB1,200pp (AU\$250pp) is paid locally in China.**

### DAY 21: PANDAS

Begin the day with a visit to Chengdu's famous conservation centre. Later, transfer to Chongqing and board your Yangtze River cruise vessel.

### DAYS 22-24: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

Over the next three days prepare for one breathtaking panorama after another. Enjoy various side trips and shore excursions including the Three Gorges Dam. Disembark and transfer to Yichang for your flight to Shanghai.

### DAY 25: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Shanghai is China's great metropolis, where east and west collide on streets lined with futuristic skyscrapers and 10th-century temples. Visit Yu Garden, the old town, a silk factory and stroll along the Bund. This evening, view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise and enjoy a delicious meal of traditional Shanghaiese cuisine.

### DAYS 26-27: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

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

**AVAILABLE AS YOUR OWN PRIVATE TOUR**  
Enjoy flexibility, your own guide and vehicle.



# ANCIENT EMPIRES OF CHINA & JAPAN

20 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$11,520

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

ALL MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Discover historic Beijing
- ✓ See the Terracotta Warriors
- ✓ Admire Shanghai's bright lights
- ✓ Reflect in Hiroshima
- ✓ Admire Kyoto's temples
- ✓ Explore bustling Tokyo



Enjoy breathtaking views of Mt Fuji and the surrounding area

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 18 breakfasts, 17 lunches, 18 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders (China only)



See the historic hutongs of Beijing

## ▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Explore the narrow, atmospheric alleyways of Beijing's old hutongs. Visit a family in their home, a traditional courtyard residence, to get a better idea of the culture and history of these neighbourhoods.
- ▶ Wander through the delightful Bikan Historical Quarter, stretched along Kurashiki's Edo Period canals, taking in the picturesque scenes of weeping willows, old stone bridges and lovely, traditional architecture.
- ▶ Ascend to the observation deck of the new Orizuru Tower. Rising high above Hiroshima it offers beautiful views over the Peace Memorial Park, the A-Bomb Dome and the city as a whole.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY 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: WALK ON 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 enjoying a traditional Peking duck dinner.

### DAY 3: EXPLORE THE FORBIDDEN CITY

Begin the day soaking up the harmonious ambience of the glorious Temple of Heaven where you can mingle with the locals and watch or participate as they practise tai chi, dance or play cards. Next, take a leisurely stroll through a traditional hutong neighbourhood and visit a family at home, to learn about life living in the hutongs. Later, 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.

### DAY 4: TRAVEL TO XIAN

Board the bullet train to the ancient city of Xian. In the evening, enjoy a traditional Shui Jiao dumpling dinner and a lively Tang Dynasty dance 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, followed by a visit to the workshop of the craftsmen who recreate them. Later, stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th-century city walls that enclose Xian's old town.

### DAY 6: FLY TO GUILIN

Visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda and then fly to the beautiful city of Guilin.

### DAY 7: CRUISE THE LI RIVER

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 tower over rural scenes of lush greenery, grazing buffalo and local fishermen. Here, enjoy some time strolling along West Street and visit the local markets.

### DAY 8: VISIT REED FLUTE CAVE

Return to Guilin. En route, see the colourful stalagmites and stalactites of Reed Flute Cave and visit the South China Pearl Factory.

### DAY 9: FLY TO SHANGHAI

Begin today with a stroll around Ronghu Lake and admire the Sun and Moon Pagodas – two towering examples of traditional Chinese Buddhist architecture before flying to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai.

### DAY 10: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

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.



Admire the Itsukushima Shrine



Take a leisurely stroll along The Great Wall

### DAY 11: GOODBYE CHINA, HELLO JAPAN

It's time to say goodbye to China and hello to Japan! Fly to the vibrant city of Osaka.

### DAY 12: OSAKA CASTLE

Explore Osaka Castle, take a short cruise along the Yodogawa River and stroll through vibrant Dotonbori, a restaurant mecca, where you can sample local delicacies for lunch. The remainder of the day is free for you to explore this fascinating city.

### DAY 13: DISCOVER OKAYAMA & KURASHIKI

Transfer by bullet train to Okayama and visit Korakuen Garden, one of the 'Three Great Gardens of Japan. Continue to Kurashiki to explore the beautifully-preserved Bikan Historical Quarter, where the streets along the banks of the Kurashiki River are lined with white-walled kominka (traditional houses). Continue to Hiroshima, a vibrant and forward-thinking city.

### DAY 14: EXPLORE HIROSHIMA & MIYAJIMA

Hop on a ferry to the holy island of Miyajima and visit Itsukushima Shrine. Return to Hiroshima and find a moment to reflect at the Peace Memorial Park and Museum, paying homage to the victims of the 1945 atomic bomb. Later, ascend to the observation deck of Orizuru Tower and enjoy the panoramic views.

### DAY 15: TRAVEL TO KYOTO

Transfer by bullet train to Kyoto, imperial capital for 1,000 years. Visit Ryoanji Temple, home to Japan's most famous Zen garden and Kinkakuji Temple, also known as the 'Golden Pavilion'.

### DAY 16: EXPLORE KYOTO

Visit Fushimi Inari Shrine, remarkable for its 10,000 torii gates and then head to Nishiki Market, also known as 'Kyoto's Kitchen' with its lively open-air market specialising in all things food! Also visit a restored wooden Japanese townhouse to experience the rituals of a tea ceremony with a tea master and try your hand at the traditional art of origami.

### DAY 17: BULLET TRAIN TO HAKONE

Transfer by bullet train to Hakone. Upon arrival, enjoy a boat trip on Lake Ashi before venturing up the Komagatake Ropeway where the views of the surrounding landscape and Mount Fuji will be breathtaking but weather dependent of course! Later, continue to Tokyo, Japan's capital city.

### DAY 18: CONTRASTS OF 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. Begin at the observation deck of the 634-metre Skytree, before wandering through the old district of Asakusa. Stop to explore the ancient Buddhist Sensoji Temple and drive past the Imperial Palace Plaza. Later, soak up the atmosphere at the peaceful Meiji Jingu Shrine. End your tour with a dinner cruise on Tokyo Bay.

### DAYS 19-20: FLY TOKYO TO AUSTRALIA

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

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## ANCIENT EMPIRES OF CHINA & JAPAN

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PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

The ultimate tour for those wishing to combine the very best of two ancient nations. Join us on an incredible journey from Beijing to Tokyo by road, boat, rail and air on this epic three-week tour!

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2021 DATES			
23 Mar - 11 Apr	★ \$12,180	14 Sep - 03 Oct	\$11,520
18 May - 06 Jun	\$11,520	12 Oct - 31 Oct	★ \$12,180
2022 DATES			
22 Mar - 10 Apr	★ \$12,380	13 Sep - 02 Oct	\$11,720
10 May - 29 May	\$11,720	11 Oct - 30 Oct	★ \$12,380

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide & Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available on request
- Land only (Beijing - Tokyo) 19 days from \$10,575 per person, twin share
- Single Supplement from \$2,225

### Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as of 12 August 2020, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

Please note: cherry blossoms are weather dependent and it is not guaranteed that they will be in bloom at the time of your arrival.

Tipping is generally not part of the culture in Japan; however, you may wish to tip your National Escort at your discretion. For guidelines on tipping in China see below.

**Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB410 per person (AU\$85) is paid locally in China.**



# TREASURES OF TAIWAN

15 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$6,890

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

ALL MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Explore bustling Taipei
- ✓ Unwind at Sun Moon Lake
- ✓ Visit the Fo Guang Shan Monastery
- ✓ Relax on the beach at Kenting
- ✓ Discover the Taroko Gorge
- ✓ Journey on the high-speed rail

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 12 breakfasts, 11 lunches, 12 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Relax in Chihpen Hot Spring

## ► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Take some time to relax and unwind in the warm, mineral-rich volcanic waters of Chihpen – you'll have time to make the most of them at your hotel which has hot spring pools for you to enjoy.
- Visit the unique spectacle of Fo Guang Shan, Taiwan's largest monastery and explore the Buddha Museum, the fascinating 'Buddha Land' with its 36-metre Buddha and enjoy a delicious vegetarian lunch in the monastery's dining room.
- Make a stop at the Kavalan Whisky Distillery, one of Taiwan's most famous, where you can learn all about the process of creating Taiwanese whisky.



Visit Lotus Pond's colourful Dragon and Tiger Pagodas

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO TAIPEI

Fly overnight to Taipei, Taiwan's buzzing capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture. This evening meet with your National Escort and fellow travellers to enjoy dinner at a nearby, local restaurant.

### DAY 3: A DAY IN TAIPEI

Nestled in a basin surrounded by mountains, Taipei is a laidback and vibrant city that, as well as being packed with the upmarket and ultramodern, is a bastion of Taiwan's wonderfully rich heritage. Begin your explorations at the National Palace Museum, home to the world's largest and finest collection of Chinese art and artefacts, and the Martyrs' Shrine. This afternoon, visit CKS Memorial Hall, Longshan Temple and ascend the world-famous Taipei 101 to see the city from above.

### DAY 4: SCENIC SUN MOON LAKE

Depart Taipei to journey towards the heart of the island to what is arguably Taiwan's

most scenic spot – Sun Moon Lake.

Visit the Wen Wu Temple before embarking on a motorboat cruise around the lake for picture perfect views of the area's beautiful landscapes. You'll also visit the Holy Monk Shrine, Cien Pagoda and the aboriginal village of Tehua.

### DAY 5: TEA PLANTATION

Begin today with a visit to a famous tea farm to discover all about the process of tea growth and production before taking the cable car to Formosan Cultural Village. There will also be some time at leisure, with the option of biking on trails around Sun Moon Lake, listed as one of the 10 most beautiful places to cycle in the world.

### DAY 6: DISCOVER TAINAN

Depart Sun Moon Lake and travel to Tainan. Taiwan's oldest city and capital until 1887 when Taipei took over, Tainan was originally established as a trading port by the Dutch East India Company. It is renowned for its



Discover the Taipei skyline



Explore the dramatic Taroko Gorge



Spend time at scenic Sun Moon Lake

preservation of traditions and rich folk culture, and you'll start exploring at the Chihkan Tower and Confucius Temple. In the afternoon, wander the old streets of the Anping district and view the sunset from Anping Harbour.

### DAY 7: EXPLORE KAOHSIUNG

Head south to the port city of Kaohsiung where you'll admire the Dragon & Tiger Tower and the Spring & Autumn Pavilion before paying a visit to Taiwan's largest monastery, Fo Guang Shan. Lunch here will be a vegetarian feast, before you stroll over to the main shrine, the Buddhist Museum and Great Buddha Land, where you'll find a 36-metre Buddha watching over a garden of many smaller Buddhas. Finally, see the Martyrs' Shrine at Shoushan.

### DAY 8: VISIT KENTING NATIONAL PARK

Travel over to the beach resort of Kenting, gateway to the beautiful Kenting National Park. Consisting of a range of landscapes – low mountains, rolling hills, cliffs and deserts, all fringed by excellent beaches and helped along by a balmy tropical climate, Kenting is home to a diverse range of flora and fauna.

### DAY 9: DISCOVER SHEDING NATURE PARK

Spend the morning amongst the rock formations and lush greenery of Sheding Nature Park with a pause to take in the ocean views at Oluanpi Lighthouse. The rest of the day is at leisure.

### DAY 10: OCEAN DRIVE TO CHIHOPEN

Depart Kenting and drive along the beautiful east coast to Taitung, admiring the ocean views throughout the journey. Continue to Chihpen, famous for its hot springs.

On arrival, your afternoon will be free to relax and bathe in the thermal waters at your hotel. Tonight's dinner will be accompanied by a performance of traditional music and dance.

### DAY 11: HEAD TO TAROKO

Travel northwards to Hualien, the gateway to the magnificent Taroko National Park. En route there will be a series of stops including Donghe, where you may spot wild monkeys, and the scenic Cisingtan Lake, where you can head out on an optional bike ride on the lakeshore.

### DAY 12: EXPLORE TAROKO NATIONAL PARK

Encompassing sea cliffs, soaring peaks and a famously picturesque gorge, Taroko National Park is home to a huge diversity of features, habitats and shelters a great range of plant and animal species. Today your visits will include the Gorge Gateway, the Eternal Spring Shrine and Swallow Grotto and you can enjoy a leisurely walk through the beautiful landscapes.

### DAY 13: RETURN TO TAIPEI

Take a photo stop at Cingshuei Cliff for beautiful views and visit the Kavalan Whisky Distillery, where a few tastings will be in order. Return to Taipei via Luodong by high-speed rail and then enjoy a farewell dinner, the perfect opportunity to reflect on your adventures with your fellow passengers.

### DAYS 14-15: FLY TAIPEI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the following day.

AVAILABLE AS YOUR OWN PRIVATE TOUR  
Enjoy flexibility, your own guide and vehicle.

## TREASURES OF TAIWAN

## CLASSIC TAIWAN

PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Explore the cities of Taipei and Tainan, where ancient and modern sit side by side, and lose yourself in the natural beauty of Sun Moon Lake and Taroko National Park. Magical Taiwan has so much to offer!

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

### 2021 DATES

10 Apr - 24 Apr \$6,890 09 Oct - 23 Oct \$6,890

### 2022 DATES

09 Apr - 23 Apr \$7,090 08 Oct - 22 Oct \$7,090

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide & Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available on request
- Land only (Taipei - Taipei) 13 days from \$5,690 per person, twin share
- Single Supplement from \$1,850

### Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as of 12 August 2020, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

**Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$40 per person (AU\$58) is paid locally in Taiwan.**



Visit Fo Guang Shan Buddha Museum



# SCENIC SOUTH KOREA

**14 DAYS FROM**  
**\$9,350**  
**FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM**  
 SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE,  
 ADELAIDE & PERTH  
**ALL MEALS**

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Explore bustling Seoul
- ✓ Enjoy tea tasting in Boseong
- ✓ Discover picturesque Busan
- ✓ Ride a cable car to Dolsan Island
- ✓ Visit Mt Seorak National Park
- ✓ Spend time in Gyeongju, 'the museum without walls'

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 11 breakfasts, 10 lunches, 11 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



See the Bridge of Freedom at the DMZ

## ► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Embark on an informative and unusual adventure to the DMZ, the buffer zone between the Koreas. Your visit will include the Bridge of Freedom, DMZ Theatre & Exhibition Hall and the 3rd Infiltration Tunnel.
- As part of discovering traditional Korean lifestyle at Naganeupseong Fortress Village, you can try your hand at one of Korea's oldest cultural arts – handkerchief dyeing.
- First performed at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival in 1999, the Nanta is a showcase of Korean culture and performance art, presented as a non-verbal show, instead using music and motion and integrating a traditional Korean Samulnori rhythm.



Enjoy the majesty of Anapji Pond, Gyeongju National Park

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO SEOUL

Fly overnight to Seoul, the dazzling capital city of South Korea. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture. This evening meet your National Escort and fellow travellers to enjoy dinner at a local restaurant.

### DAY 3: EXPLORE SEOUL

A dynamic, 24-hour city, amongst the skyscrapers, nightlife districts and colossal shopping malls of Seoul there is an exceptional amount of culture and tradition, from busy teahouses to magnificent palaces. Start your explorations at the immense Gyeongbok Palace, which will include the changing of the guard ceremony, before exploring the National Folk Museum. Learn to cook delicious Korean classic 'bibimbap' in a cookery class – you'll get to eat it for lunch – before strolling Insadong Antique Alley and visiting UNESCO-listed Jongmyo Royal Shrine. End the day with panoramic views over this sprawling city at the N Seoul Tower.

### DAY 4: VISIT SOSWAEWON GARDEN

Travel out of Seoul to the city of Damyang where you'll discover the beauty of Soswaewon. This private garden built in the 16th-century in the traditional style features essential elements to bring harmony, such as flowing water, trees and grasses. Wander the bamboo forest of Juknokwon before continuing to Gwangju, where you'll spend some time discovering this artistic hub full of fascinating history.

### DAY 5: EXPLORE SEONAMSA TEMPLE

Head to Boseong, considered the best place in Korea to grow tea, and visit a green tea plantation, learning all about its production

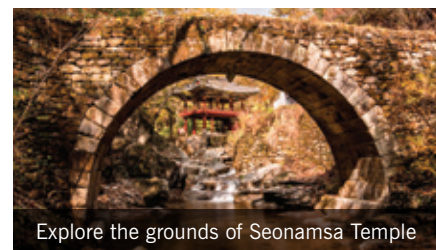
and enjoying a tasting. Continue to Suncheon for a stop at the 6th-century Seonamsa Temple. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, the temple grounds are also home to a beautiful arched stone bridge. Also visit Naganeupseong Fortress Village for a glimpse at a more traditional Korean lifestyle and a chance to take part in a handkerchief dyeing experience.

### DAY 6: TRAVEL TO BUSAN

Head to Yeosu and ride the cable car over beautiful scenery and open water to Dolsan Island. Continue to Odongdo Island for more spectacular landscapes and take some time to appreciate the array of wild flowers that flourish here before travelling to the port city of Busan.

### DAY 7: DISCOVER BUSAN

The laidback to Seoul's bustle, Busan is a city full of character and traditional features as well as mountains, beaches, temples and exquisite seafood. Start the day with a city overview from the top of Busan Tower, before browsing the wares at Gukje Market and Jagalchi Fish Market. Walk over the Oryukdo Skywalk, a glass bridge set on a seaside cliff, soak up the peaceful nature of Dongbaekseom Island, and feel the sand between your toes on Haeundae Beach. Drive to Gyeongju.



Explore the grounds of Seonamsa Temple



Experience the bustle of South Korea's capital city, Seoul

### DAY 8: EXPLORE GYEONGJU

A city of cultural and historical relics, Gyeongju is called 'the museum without walls'. Capital of the Silla Kingdom for over 1,000 years the city is home to a staggering number of tombs, temples, statues and ruins, some of which you'll explore today. Begin at the Gyeongju National Museum before visiting Tumuli Park, a collection of royal tombs, and Anapji Pond. Then head just out of the city to the magnificent UNESCO World Heritage Bulguksa Temple, considered the pinnacle of Silla architecture, and Seokguram Grotto.

### DAY 9: VISIT NAKSANS TEMPLE

Travel to Sokcho stopping en route to explore the 1,300-year history of the Naksansa Temple, a seven-storey stone building overlooking the East Sea.

### DAY 10: EXPLORE MOUNT SEORAK

Mount Seorak National Park is a spectacularly scenic area of high, cloudy peaks, craggy bluffs and fragrant pine forest. Designated a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve as a habitat for many rare species of plants and animals, it is one of South Korea's most dramatic natural treasures. Enjoy a short, easy hike along a beautiful valley and see the mountaintop Gwongeumseong Fortress by cable car.

### DAY 11: RETURN TO SEOUL

Transfer to Gangneung and board a high-speed train bound for Seoul. Have lunch on arrival and then enjoy an afternoon at leisure before heading to a non-verbal performance of 'Nanta', an award-winning show which incorporates the traditional Samulnori rhythm.

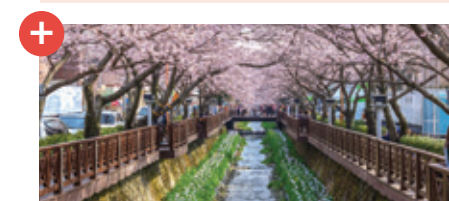
### DAY 12: VISIT THE DMZ

Created as a buffer zone between North Korea and South Korea at the end of the Korean War, the DMZ is part of the most heavily militarised border in the world. Your visit will include the Bridge of Freedom, DMZ Theatre & Exhibition Hall and the 3rd Infiltration Tunnel. Return to Seoul to stroll through the huge Gwangjang Market. A farewell dinner tonight is the perfect time to reflect on your adventures!

Special conditions apply to this day, please refer to your tour dossier for more information.

**DAYS 13-14: FLY SEOUL TO AUSTRALIA**  
 Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

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### CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL

During the months of March and April, we may include a stop at the delightful Jinhae Cherry Blossom Festival on day 6. This annual event is Korea's biggest spring festival and gives you the chance to wander among the spectacular pink blossom, where there are 340,000 cherry trees!

\*Please note that the cherry blossoms are weather dependent and it is not guaranteed that they will be in bloom at the time of your visit.

## SCENIC SOUTH KOREA

## CLASSIC SOUTH KOREA

## PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

With its complex history, skyscrapers and centuries-old temples, this tour has something for everyone – from bustling cities and stunning countryside to UNESCO world heritage-listed national forests. It is a tour full of contrast.



Explore the bamboo forests of Juknokwon

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

### 2021 DATES

29 Mar - 11 Apr ✨ **\$9,490** 18 Oct - 31 Oct ✨ **\$9,350**

### 2022 DATES

28 Mar - 10 Apr ✨ **\$9,690** 17 Oct - 30 Oct ✨ **\$9,590**

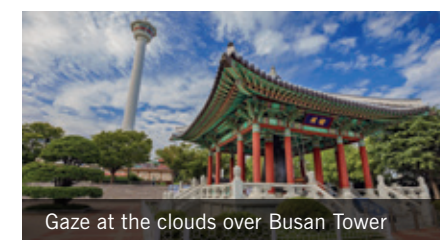
### Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide & Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available on request
- Land only (Seoul - Seoul) 12 days from \$8,270 per person, twin share
- Single Supplement from \$2,000

### Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as of 12 August 2020, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

**Customary tipping amount of approximately US\$50 per person (AU\$72) is paid locally in South Korea.**



Gaze at the clouds over Busan Tower





# GO BEYOND TOURS

For those who want to venture off the beaten track

## WHAT'S INCLUDED?



International economy  
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3 – 4 star  
accommodation



Most  
meals



Flights, guides,  
transportation  
& sightseeing



Visa for Australian  
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Your National Escort and local guides, all born and bred in your destination, are an endless source of information about the local history, heritage and culture. Of course, they are more than willing to share that wealth of knowledge about their homeland with you. Who better to help you get to grips with a magical sight, city or region than someone who knows it like the back of their hand?



# CHINA EXPLORER

15 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$6,020

INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE & PERTH

MOST MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

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

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 12 breakfasts, 11 lunches, 8 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation, plus basic guesthouse
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Enjoy a traditional breakfast pancake

## ▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Wake up to the buzz of Shanghai and take a walking tour through the city's most fascinating districts, before tucking into some traditional pancakes for breakfast.
- ▶ Get your adrenaline pumping, making your way over the magnificent scenery of dense bamboo forest on the breathtaking Jinji suspended rope bridge.
- ▶ Soar up to the heights of the Great Wall by cable car and watch a beautiful sunset in one of the world's most spectacular locations.



Discover Xian on two wheels

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY TO BEIJING

Fly to Beijing, China's historic 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

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. Stop for a photo at the Olympic Stadium. (B,L)

### DAY 3: TEMPLE OF HEAVEN AND 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 watch an optional fountain and light show and be dazzled by the city at night. (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)



Explore sacred Mount Qingcheng



Stay overnight in Gubei watertown

### 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. 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

Drive to Dujiangyan 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 Mount 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 then return to Chengdu. (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 various shore excursions as well as a side trip 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 and visit the Three Gorges Dam. Next, travel to Yichang then fly to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. (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 Yu Garden, the old town and a silk factory before taking a 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)

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Visit the hutongs of Beijing

## CHINA EXPLORER

## GO BEYOND CHINA

PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

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

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2021 DATES			
05 Apr - 19 Apr	\$6,480	06 Sep - 20 Sep	\$6,020
03 May - 17 May*	\$6,020		
2022 DATES			
11 Apr - 25 Apr	\$6,680	12 Sep - 26 Sep	\$6,220
09 May - 23 May	\$6,220		

\*Departure coincides with Golden Week.

## Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Beijing - Shanghai) 14 days from \$5,200 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,240

## Important note

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Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB900pp (AU\$184pp) is paid locally in China.



# ENCHANTING CHINA

17 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$5,380

INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE & PERTH

MOST MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Visit pandas in Chengdu
- ✓ See Shanghai like a local
- ✓ Cruise the Yangtze River
- ✓ Explore the Temple of Heaven
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Warriors

Walk the scenic Huanghuacheng section of the Great Wall

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 15 breakfasts, 8 lunches, 4 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Try local snacks in Xian

## ► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- From hand-stretched noodles to barbecued meat on skewers, Xian's Muslim Quarter is a street food heaven! As you explore these atmospheric streets and soak up the history, why not grab a delicious snack or two, to keep your energy up?
- Spend an evening exploring China's long and fascinating history in a breathtaking show of martial arts, acrobatics and stunning special effects – the fantastic ERA Show at Shanghai's Circus World.
- At the heart of a huge tea-producing region and once a stop on the Tea Horse Road, drinking tea is an essential element of life in Chengdu. Visit a traditional tea house to experience the history, customs and the perfect brew.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY TO BEIJING

Fly to Beijing, China's historic 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 best-known shopping streets in Beijing. This evening, enjoy an optional Peking duck dinner. (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 along 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 capital city, ancient 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. (B,L)

### DAY 7: CYCLE THE WALL (OPTIONAL)

Today is a day at leisure to explore Xian. There is the option to enjoy a gentle cycle ride that will take you the nine miles around Xian's beautifully preserved city wall for a fantastic overview of the city. This evening, enjoy an optional Tang Dynasty show. (B)

### DAY 8: CHENGDU LIKE A LOCAL

Take the bullet train to Chengdu and walk around People's Park, a hive of activity. See beautiful golden koi, locals dancing and practising 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 Sichuan hot pot dinner and a 'Changing Faces' show. (B,L)



See the Terracotta Army



Visit Chengdu Panda Base

### DAY 9: PINGLE ANCIENT TOWN (OPTIONAL)

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 the Jinji Rope Bridge. (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, home for the next three nights. (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 various shore excursions. (B,L,D)

### DAY 13: THREE GORGES DAM

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

### DAY 14: 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 old buildings before enjoying breakfast as the locals do – sample pancakes, fried bread sticks and tofu. Visit the classical Yu Garden, the old town and a 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: ZHUJIAJIAO (OPTIONAL)

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. 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)

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PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Slow 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 keep busy, there are optional activities available.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2021 DATES			
01 May - 17 May*	\$5,540	11 Sep - 27 Sep	\$5,540
15 May - 31 May	\$5,380	09 Oct - 25 Oct	\$5,680
04 Sep - 20 Sep	\$5,540	16 Oct - 01 Nov	\$5,680
2022 DATES			
09 Apr - 25 Apr	\$5,740	10 Sep - 26 Sep	\$5,740
07 May - 23 May	\$5,580	08 Oct - 24 Oct	\$5,880
03 Sep - 19 Sep	\$5,740	15 Oct - 31 Oct	\$5,880

\*Departure coincides with Golden Week.

## Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Beijing - Shanghai) 16 days from \$4,600 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,380

## Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as of 12 August 2020, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB870pp (AU\$182pp) is paid locally in China.



# CHINA TRAILBLAZER

21 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$7,380

INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE & PERTH

MOST MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Hike the Great Wall
- ✓ Cruise the Yangtze River
- ✓ Visit pandas in rural Dujiangyan
- ✓ Cycle Yangshuo's countryside
- ✓ Ramble Longji's rice terraces
- ✓ See Shanghai like a local

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 19 breakfasts, 18 lunches, 12 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Enjoy a hike on the Great Wall

## ▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Soar up to the heights of the Great Wall by cable car and watch a beautiful sunset in one of the world's most spectacular locations.
- ▶ Get your adrenaline pumping, making your way over the magnificent scenery of dense bamboo forest on the breathtaking Jinji suspended rope bridge.
- ▶ Hike amongst the unique beauty of the Longji rice terraces, where you'll not only get to marvel at the intricately-carved landscapes but experience rural life and meet some of China's minority hilltribe communities.



Hike the Longji rice terraces

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY TO BEIJING

Fly to Beijing, China's historic 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. 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. (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 which are lined with Islamic food stalls. 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: BULLET TRAIN TO CHENGDU

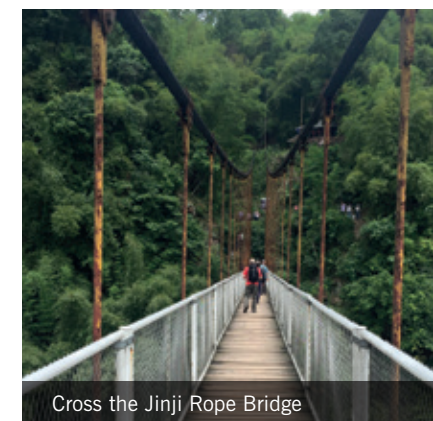
Board the bullet train to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan Province.

### DAY 8: PINGLE ANCIENT TOWN

Travel by road 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. Later, return to Chengdu. (B,L,D)

### DAY 9: 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



Cross the Jinji Rope Bridge



Explore Xian

endangered species. The pandas here are kept in conditions very close to their natural habitat. Next, ascend Mount Qingcheng, the most sacred Taoist mountain in China, by cable car and take in the surrounding landscape. Enjoy a stroll among the mystic scenery of Yuecheng Lake before returning to Chengdu. (B,L,D)

### DAY 10: BOARD YOUR CRUISE

Fly to Yichang and board your Yangtze River cruise vessel, home for the next four nights.

### DAYS 11-13: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

Visit The Three Gorges Dam which showcases a massive feat of engineering. As you 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, as well as various shore excursions.

### DAY 14: BULLET TRAIN TO GUILIN

Disembark in Chongqing and then board the bullet train to the beautiful city of Guilin. Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. (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'. (B,L,D)

### DAY 17: TAI CHI, CYCLING OR RAFTING

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 joining a bamboo rafting trip along the Yulong River before driving back to Guilin. (B,L)

### DAY 18: HUANGPU RIVER CRUISE

Enjoy a stroll around the picturesque Ronghu Lake and admire the Sun and Moon pagodas—two towering examples of traditional Chinese—Buddhist architecture. Visit the pearl factory, then fly to Shanghai. This evening, cruise down the Huangpu River being serenaded by the neon lights of Pudong. (B,L)

### DAY 19: 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 before enjoying breakfast as the locals do—sample pancakes, fried bread sticks and tofu. Visit the classical Yu Garden, the old town and a silk factory before taking an evening stroll along the Bund. Enjoy a farewell dinner of authentic Shanghaiese cuisine. (B,L,D)

### DAYS 20-21: FLY SHANGHAI TO AUSTRALIA

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

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## CHINA TRAILBLAZER

## GO BEYOND CHINA

PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

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 it's well worth it.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

### 2021 DATES

09 May - 29 May \$7,580 12 Sep - 02 Oct\* \$7,380

### 2022 DATES

08 May - 28 May \$7,780 11 Sep - 01 Oct \$7,780

\*Departure coincides with Golden Week.

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Beijing - Shanghai) 20 days from \$6,600 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,510

### Important note

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Customary tipping amount of approximately **RMB1,130pp (AU\$235pp)** is paid locally in China.



### EXTEND YOUR STAY...

### MT HUANG SHORT STAY

4 days from \$1,170pp twin share

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# DREAMS OF NATURE

23 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$6,580

INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE & PERTH

MOST MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Cruise the Yangtze River
- ✓ Stay in rural Yangshuo
- ✓ Explore Wulong National Park
- ✓ View Zhangjiajie's pinnacles
- ✓ Head to the top of Mount Emeishan
- ✓ See pandas in Chengdu

Explore the scenic area of Zhangjiajie

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 20 breakfasts, 18 lunches, 15 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Practise the art of tai chi

## ► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Long practised in China, many people start their day with a session of tai chi – do the same with a morning class with an instructor and continue your day feeling invigorated.
- Explore the otherworldly expanse of sandstone karst pillars, peaks and pinnacles that make up the magical Zhangjiajie National Forest Park with a series of beautiful walks and visits to geological wonders.
- Get your adrenaline pumping, making your way over the magnificent scenery of dense bamboo forest on Jinji's breathtaking suspended rope bridge.

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT 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. (B,L,D)

### DAY 4: TAI CHI AND 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. This evening, you have the option of enjoying the magical Liu Sanjie night show. (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 a 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: BULLET TRAIN

Take the bullet train to Changsha and then travel by road to picturesque 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'. 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 three days, take a side trip to the attractive Goddess or Shennong Stream and enjoy various shore excursions. (B,L,D)



Visit the Leshan Grand Buddha

### 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 AND 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 remains relatively unspoilt. Later, return to Chongqing. (B,L,D)

### DAY 17: CHONGQING

Visit the charming town of Ciqikou and spend some time strolling the streets, admiring the traditional architecture. 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 below on a short boat trip. Later, continue to Emeishan. (B,L,D)

### DAY 19: EXPLORE MOUNT EMEISHAN

Mount Emeishan 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 the Jinji 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 dinner and an optional 'face-changing' show. (B,D)

### DAYS 22-23: FLY CHENGDU TO AUSTRALIA

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

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DREAMS OF NATURE

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CHINA

PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Towering pinnacles swathed in mist, majestic mountains and verdant nature are just some of the wonders included on this scenic journey. Due to the hiking on this tour a good level of fitness is required.



Discover beautiful Wulong

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2021 DATES			
01 Apr - 23 Apr	\$6,580	07 Oct - 29 Oct	\$6,880
02 Sep - 24 Sep	\$6,880		
2022 DATES			
07 Apr - 29 Apr	\$6,780	06 Oct - 28 Oct*	\$7,080
08 Sep - 30 Sep	\$7,080		

\*Departure coincides with Golden Week.

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
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- Land only (Guilin - Chengdu) 21 days from \$5,700 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,380

### Important note

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Customary tipping amount of approximately **RMB1,120pp (AU\$233pp)** is paid locally in China.



# TIBETAN WONDERS

24 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$7,680

INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE & PERTH

MOST MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

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

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 21 breakfasts, 18 lunches, 14 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation, plus simple guesthouse
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Learn about the Dongba Pictograms

## ► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Spend time with a Shaman, who will teach you some of a forgotten language, Dongba Pictograms - by the end of the lesson you'll know all about its history and be able to write a few basic characters.
- Watch the sun's rays spread over the rugged, snowy peak of Mount Everest, the world's tallest mountain, in what must surely be considered one of the most dramatic and spectacular places to watch the sun rise (weather permitting).
- Visit Tashilhunpo, the seat of the eminent Panchen Lama, and make a 'kora' (pilgrimage circuit) of this 15th-century monastery with the pilgrims who have travelled from all over Tibet to visit this sacred edifice.

Discover Lhasa, the heart and soul of Tibet

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT 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 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 live 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 AND 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 spend some free time exploring 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. Inside the Jokhang Temple, the devotion is



Marvel at Mount Everest



Visit Songzanlin Temple in rural Shangri-La

palpable as queues of people worship in the flickering light of yak butter candles. There will also be a visit to Sera Monastery, one of the three great monasteries of Tibet, 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. (B,L,D)

### DAY 13: 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)

### DAY 14: NEW TINGRI

Continue by road to New Tingri, admiring the awe-inspiring views of the mighty Himalayas as you 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 Mount Everest dominating the horizon, stop by 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 1-2 hours will be spent on foot today. (B,L,D)

### DAY 16: EVEREST SUNRISE

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

### DAYS 17-18: SHIGATSE AND GYANTSE

Return to Shigatse. 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. 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 followed by an option to see a 'face-changing' show. (B,L,D)

### DAYS 23-24: FLY CHENGDU TO AUSTRALIA

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

TIBETAN WONDERS

GO BEYOND CHINA

PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

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

Prices are per person, twin share

### 2021 DATES

15 May - 07 Jun \$7,680 11 Sep - 04 Oct\* \$7,680

### 2022 DATES

14 May - 06 Jun \$7,880 10 Sep - 03 Oct\* \$7,880

\*Departure coincides with Golden Week.

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Kunming - Chengdu) 22 days from \$6,900 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,340

### Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as of 12 August 2020, subject to change. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

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# SILK ROAD EXPLORER

28 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$8,280

INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE & PERTH

ALL MEALS

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Visit Kashgar Sunday Bazaar
- ✓ Admire Jiayu Fortress
- ✓ Explore Tibetan Xiahe
- ✓ See the Rainbow Mountains
- ✓ Discover Magao Grottoes
- ✓ Experience the Taklamakan Desert

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 25 breakfasts, 24 lunches, 25 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



Try momo dumplings

## ► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Sample Tibetan foods and flavours with a traditional Tibetan lunch, featuring 'momos', the tasty steamed and stuffed dumpling whose popularity has spread from the Tibetan Plateau throughout Asia.
- Wander amongst the packed stalls of the atmospheric Shazhou Night Market in the Silk Road frontier city of Dunhuang, browsing delicious foods, fascinating local wares and a wealth of souvenirs.
- Visit a traditional, nomadic home of a family of the Kazakh minority community, and spend some time with them, learning about their culture, and get a glimpse of life living in a yurt.



See the sunrise over the beautiful Rainbow Mountains

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT 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.

### 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 nine miles 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 and take an optional 'Xian by night' tour.

### DAY 4: TRAIN TO LANZHOU

Start the day with a visit to Xian Museum and the Little Wild Goose Pagoda. Later, board the bullet train to Lanzhou.

### DAYS 5-6: EXPLORE LANZHOU

Begin today with a leisurely walk along the Yellow River and then head to the hilltop Baita Temple for a moment of tranquillity. Along the river and in Baita Park you can see locals practising tai chi. Later, tuck into some delicious Lanzhou-style noodles made with hand stretched dough. 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.

### DAY 7: TIBETAN XIAHE

Conquer the scenic Jishi Mountain Pass to arrive at Tibetan Xiahe and spend time acclimatising to the altitude.

### 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.

### DAY 9: TRAVEL TO ZHANGYE

Return to Lanzhou and take the speedy bullet train to Zhangye, once an important commercial town along the Silk Road.

### 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.

### 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.

### 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.

### 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.



Spin prayer wheels at Labrang Monastery

### DAY 14: SINGING SAND DUNES

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

### 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.

### DAY 16: EXPLORE TURPAN

Visit the ruins of ancient Jiaohe and see the elegant Emin Minaret, the tallest in China.

### DAY 17: KURLA

Learn about the fascinating 2000-year-old Karez irrigation canals and drive to Kurla.

### 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, before arriving in Kuqa to see the Kyzil Thousand Buddha Caves. Continue travelling to Aksu, and on to the fabled city of Kashgar.

### 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 stroll through the narrow atmospheric alleyways around Id Kah Square.



Discover Crescent Moon Spring

### 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.

### DAY 23: HEAVENLY LAKE

Escape to the tranquillity of Tianchi (Heavenly Lake), formed in a crater. Visit a Kazak minority family in their yurt and spend some time learning about their way of life.

### DAY 24: URUMQI

Make a short visit to the Xinjiang Museum before flying to Beijing, China's historic capital.

### 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.

### 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.

### DAYS 27-28: FLY BEIJING TO AUSTRALIA

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

SILK ROAD EXPLORER

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## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

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

Prices are per person, twin share

2021 DATES			
02 May - 29 May*	\$8,580	19 Sep - 16 Oct*	\$8,580
16 May - 12 Jun	\$8,580	10 Oct - 06 Nov	\$8,580
05 Sep - 02 Oct*	\$8,280		
2022 DATES			
01 May - 28 May*	\$8,780	18 Sep - 15 Oct*	\$8,780
15 May - 11 Jun	\$8,780	09 Oct - 05 Nov	\$8,780
04 Sep - 01 Oct	\$8,480		

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## Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available upon request
- Land only (Xian - Beijing) 25 days from \$7,500 per person, twin share
- Single supplement from \$1,920

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- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
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- ✓ See charming Dali & Shaxi
- ✓ Cruise the Yangtze River
- ✓ Jade Dragon Snow Mountain
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The Great Wall at Huanghuacheng

## ► EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- Surrounded by tranquil lakes and most picturesquely reached by boat, explore the Huanghuacheng section of the Great Wall and marvel at the spectacular views over the surrounding countryside.
- At Weibaoshan, meet with a Taoist priest to learn about the principles of this native philosophy and take part in a guided meditation session amongst these peaceful surroundings.
- Shaxi ancient town is not only a charming place to explore but, as the heart of an area that is home to a number of China's minority people, it is the perfect place to delve into a timeless, rich culture and meet the friendly communities for yourself.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY TO BEIJING

Fly to Beijing, China's historic capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure. (B,L)

### DAY 2: FORBIDDEN CITY

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 it boasts particularly spectacular views from the top. Spend the afternoon at leisure exploring colourful Wangfujing Street. In the evening, enjoy an optional Peking duck dinner. (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 along 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: CYCLING IN XIAN

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

### DAY 7: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

Spend the morning gazing 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 enjoy the evening at leisure. (B,L)

### DAY 8: BEAUTIFUL GUILIN

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

### DAY 9: HIKING IN LONGJI (OPTIONAL)

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

### DAY 10: LI RIVER CRUISE

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. There's an option to hike to the top of Moon Hill for epic views. (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 Kunming to visit Green Lake Park and have an evening at leisure, perhaps enjoying the vibrant Wenhua Alley district. (B,L)



Explore beautiful Yangshuo

### 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: WEIBAOSHAN (OPTIONAL)

Enjoy the day at leisure or take an optional visit to Weibaoshan, 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 the ancient town of Shaxi, 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 the vistas. Visit the minority Naxi village and admire the fascinating Baisha frescoes painted during the Ming Dynasty. (B,L)

### DAY 18: TIGER LEAPING GORGE (OPTIONAL)

Enjoy the day at leisure or trek to Tiger Leaping Gorge, through dramatic cliffs and down into the gorge itself. (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 bears up close. The rest of the day is at leisure. Enjoy an optional hot pot dinner and a 'face-changing' show. (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, travel to Yichang and then fly to Shanghai. (B,L,D)

### DAY 25: 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, a silk factory, stroll along the Bund and cruise along Huangpu River. (B,L)

### DAY 26: ZHUJIAJIAO (OPTIONAL)

Join the optional day tour to delightful Zhujiajiao, 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)

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## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

This flexible, slower-paced tour has time set aside for independent exploration or to involve yourself in a number of immersive options. As well as vibrant cities, discover the charms of beautiful Yangshuo, delightful Dali and quaint Lijiang.



See Dali's Three Pagodas & ancient town

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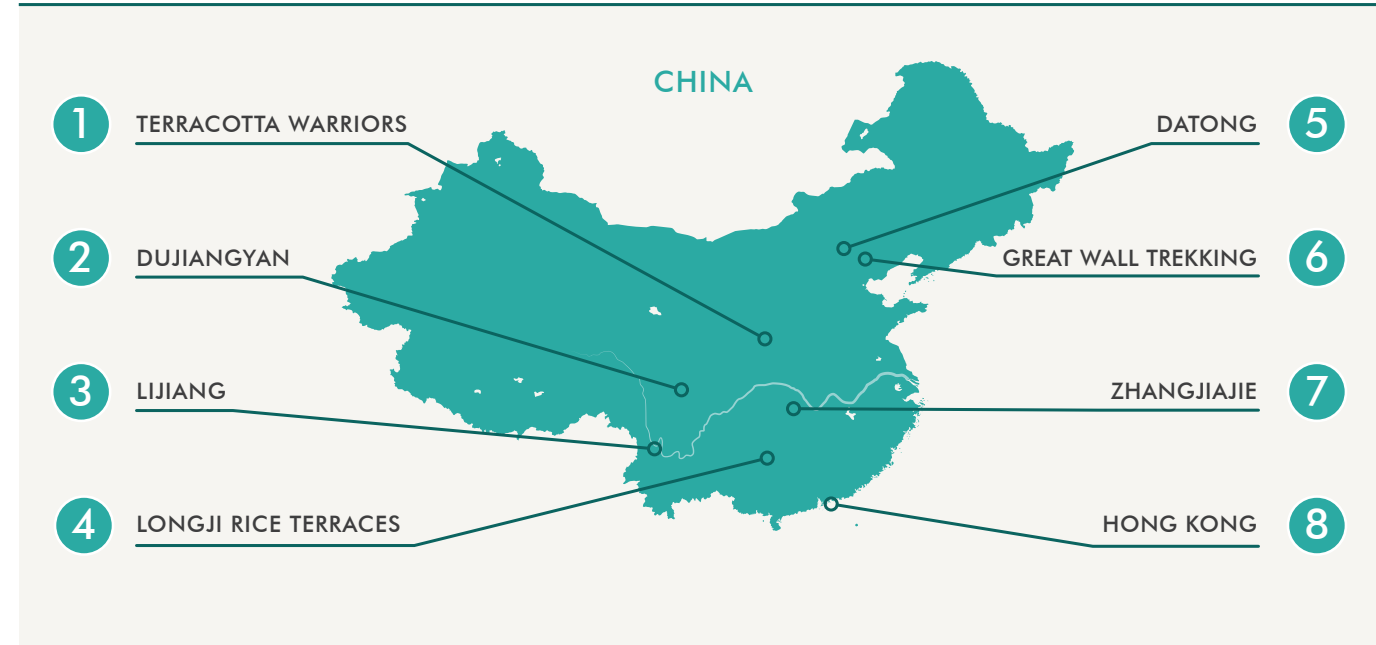
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Easily accessible from Chengdu, Dujiangyan is home to another famous panda reserve in Sichuan province for those who cannot get enough of these adorable creatures. Dujiangyan also offers a panda volunteer programme – let us know if you'd like more information.



## 3 LIJIANG

Nestled amongst the fields and forests at the foot of Jade Dragon Snow Mountain, Lijiang also boasts a rich heritage from its past as capital of the Naxi Kingdom, which is best glimpsed in the labyrinthine, UNESCO-listed old town.



## 4 LONGJI RICE TERRACES

Meet ethnic communities, stay in hillside villages and gaze at the spectacular scenery – hiking here is whatever you make it, from several hours to several days!



## 5 DATONG

Known for its abundance of historical relics and natural beauty, Datong is most famous for its 1,400-year-old, gravity-defying Hanging Temple.



## 6 GREAT WALL TREKKING

The best way to experience an incredible feat of ancient engineering, you can walk the wall for a few hours or several days, staying at little guesthouses along the way.



## 7 ZHANGJIAJIE

This spectacular national park is home to the world's highest and longest glass bridge as well as the Glass Skywalk and Cliff-Hanging Walkway...not for the faint-hearted.



## 8 HONG KONG

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# EXTENSIONS & STOPOVERS

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Most of the extensions and stopovers that you'll find in the following pages are available to be added onto any of our tours. Just ask your Reservations Consultant for more information on how to do just that.

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# BEIJING SHORT STAY

4 DAYS

Walk on the Great Wall, see the exquisite Summer Palace, explore the Forbidden City and visit the Temple of Heaven.



Admire Beijing's Summer Palace

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$540	\$970
Superior	\$590	\$1,070
Deluxe	\$830	\$1,550

- Price includes
- Accommodation (3 nights Beijing)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Private touring with guides and entrance fees

**DAY 1: ARRIVE BEIJING**  
Upon arrival, make your own way to your accommodation. The rest of the day is at leisure.

**DAY 2: GREAT WALL**  
Visit China's most famous attraction, the Great Wall, which stretches over 5,000km from the Shanhaiguan Pass on the east coast to the Gobi Desert in the west. There is no better way to appreciate the magnificence of the incredible Juyongguan Pass section than walking along it. After lunch, visit a jade factory before discovering the exquisite Summer Palace, a royal garden and summer retreat for China's emperors and their families. (B,L)

**DAY 3: EXPLORE BEIJING**  
Start your sightseeing at Beijing's symbolic heart, 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. Spend the afternoon soaking up the harmonious ambiance at the 15th-century Temple of Heaven and mingle with the locals as they practice tai chi or play cards. (B,L)

**DAY 4: DEPART BEIJING**  
After check-out, your arrangements end. (B)

# GREAT WALL HIKE

3 DAYS

See stunning rural scenery, stay in Gubei Watertown and walk the Jinshanling and Gubeikou sections of the Great Wall.



Hike from Gubeikou to Jinshanling

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	\$930	\$1,630

- Price includes
- Accommodation (1 night Beijing, 1 night Gubei Watertown)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Private touring with guides and entrance fees

**DAY 1: ARRIVE BEIJING**  
Upon arrival, make your own way to your accommodation. The rest of the day is at leisure.

**DAY 2: GUBEIKOU – JINSHANLING HIKE**  
This morning, transfer to the Gubeikou section of the Great Wall, a stretch much less frequented by tourists than others. From here, start your hike towards Jinshanling; you will be walking for around 5-6 hours over a distance of 10 kilometres. Gubeikou is a rough and wild section of the Great Wall, while Jinshanling is known for its beautiful brickwork and watchtowers. Both sections offer some of the best views in China. The walk intersects a military base and you will therefore take a detour off the wall around the base, stopping

at a farmhouse for lunch. After finishing your hike, transfer to Gubei Watertown for an overnight stay. After dinner, explore the Simatai section of the Great Wall at night. Much of Simatai Great Wall has not been restored and offers a fantastic insight into years gone by. (B,L,D)

**DAY 3: GUBEI WATERTOWN TO BEIJING**  
Spend the morning discovering the delights of Gubei Watertown. Built in the style of a Chinese ancient town, Gubei is nestled beside the Simatai section of the Great Wall and encompasses the beautiful Mandarin Duck Lake Reservoir. After lunch, return to your hotel in Beijing where arrangements end. (B,L)

# SHANGHAI SHORT STAY

3 DAYS

Stroll through Yu Gardens, explore the famous Bund, spend time at the Shanghai Museum and shop at the Silk Factory.



See Shanghai's impressive skyline

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$460	\$760
Superior	\$490	\$790
Deluxe	\$650	\$1,130

- Price includes
- Accommodation (2 nights Shanghai)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Private touring with guides and entrance fees

**DAY 1: ARRIVE SHANGHAI**  
Upon arrival, make your own way to your accommodation. The rest of the day is at leisure.

**DAY 2: EXPLORE SHANGHAI**  
Enjoy a full day of touring beginning with a relaxing stroll through Yu Gardens and then head to the Old Town where cobblestone streets are lined with traditional shops. Visit the famous historical riverfront area known as the Bund, where you can admire the magnificent colonial architecture, and see the superb antiques and fine arts of

the Shanghai Museum. Also visit the Silk Factory and see first-hand the process of producing this fine material. (B,L)

**DAY 3: DEPART SHANGHAI**  
After check-out, your arrangements end. (B)

# SUZHOU & HANGZHOU SHORT STAY

5 DAYS

Discover Suzhou's inspiring gardens, explore the Grand Canal, and cruise Hangzhou's West Lake.



Cruise the tranquil West Lake

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$1,210	\$2,290
Superior	\$1,310	\$2,490
Deluxe	\$1,700	\$3,270

- Price includes
- Accommodation (2 nights Suzhou, 2 nights Hangzhou)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Private touring with guides and entrance fees

**DAY 1: TRAVEL TO SUZHOU**  
Your guide will meet you at your hotel in Shanghai and together you will transfer to Suzhou. Also known as the 'Venice of the East', Suzhou is a town famous for its plethora of traditional landscaped gardens.

**DAY 2: EXPLORE SUZHOU**  
Visit the Master of the Nets Garden and visit its inner sanctum with its 'master's study' of Ming-style furnishings and architecture. Take a stroll through the UNESCO World Heritage listed Linger Garden, renowned for its ponds and stone bridges before taking a relaxing and peaceful cruise along a section of the Grand Canal. (B,L)

**DAY 3: DRIVE TO HANGZHOU**  
Travel to the garden city of Hangzhou which is renowned for its beautiful natural scenery. Stroll through the local markets and experience oriental tea-tasting. (B,L)

**DAY 4: DISCOVER HANGZHOU**  
Visit the Temple of Inspired Seclusion, the largest temple in southern China and the Six Harmonies Pagoda before enjoying a cruise on the tranquil West Lake. (B,L)

**DAY 5: DRIVE TO SHANGHAI**  
Leave Hangzhou and return to Shanghai. Upon arrival at your Shanghai hotel, your arrangements end. (B)



# GUILIN & YANGSHUO SHORT STAY

4 DAYS

Visit the Reed Flute Caves, cruise the stunning Li River and spend time in rural Yangshuo.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$570	\$780
Superior	\$600	\$830
Deluxe	\$880	\$1,440

- Price includes
- Accommodation (1 night Guilin, 2 nights Yangshuo)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Private touring with guides and entrance fees



Cruise along the Li River

## DAY 1: ARRIVE GUILIN

Upon arrival, make your own way to your accommodation. Later, explore the Reed Flute Caves to see the brightly lit stalagmites and stalactites. Also visit the Pearl Factory and learn about the history of pearling in the South China Sea.

## DAY 2: CRUISE THE LI RIVER

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to the charming town of Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view that will take your breath away as jagged karst peaks loom over rural scenes of lush greenery, grazing buffalo and local fisherman. Enjoy the afternoon is at leisure. (B,L)

## DAY 3: YANGSHUO COUNTRYSIDE

Yangshuo sits in an exquisite rural location surrounded by landscapes of emerald-green paddy fields surrounded by dramatic limestone karsts. Spend the morning exploring the countryside and enjoy the afternoon at leisure. (B)

## DAY 4: DEPART YANGSHUO

After check-out, your arrangements end. (B)

# KUNMING & LIJIANG SHORT STAY

5 DAYS

Tour the picturesque Stone Forest, visit Black Dragon Pool and admire Tiger Leaping Gorge.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	\$1,200	\$1,790
Deluxe	\$1,810	\$2,990

- Price includes
- Accommodation (2 nights Kunming, 2 nights Lijiang)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Private touring with guides and entrance fees



See the Stone Forest in Kunming

## DAY 1: ARRIVE KUNMING

Upon arrival, you will be met by your local guide and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

## DAY 2: STONE FOREST

Spend the morning meandering through the formations of the UNESCO-listed Stone Forest, where towering limestone pillars stand tree-like in a fascinating illusion of woodland. Later, return to Kunming. (B,L)

## DAY 3: BLACK DRAGON POOL

Fly to Lijiang, set in the foothills of the magnificent Jade Dragon Snow Mountain and visit the Black Dragon Pool, where there are

wonderful views of the surrounding mountains. Later, return to Lijiang and explore the ancient quarter, where the cobbled streets are lined with traditional wooden buildings and rustic stone bridges. (B,L)

## DAY 4: 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. Later, return to Lijiang. (B,L)

## DAY 5: DEPART LIJIANG

After check-out, your arrangements end. (B)

# CHENGDU SHORT STAY

4 DAYS

See pandas play, visit Dujiangyan Irrigation Project, marvel at the Grand Buddha and savour spicy Sichuan cuisine.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$840	\$1,420
Superior	\$860	\$1,460
Deluxe	\$1,160	\$2,130

- Price includes
- Accommodation (3 nights Chengdu)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Private touring with guides and entrance fees



Visit Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre

## DAY 1: ARRIVE CHENGDU

Upon arrival, make your own way to your accommodation. The rest of the day is at leisure.

## DAY 2: CHENGDU PANDA RESERVE

Begin this morning with a visit Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre where you can get up close to 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. Later visit the Dujiangyan Irrigation Project. (B,L)

## DAY 3: 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 below on a short boat trip. Later, return to Chengdu. (B,L)

## DAY 4: DEPART CHENGDU

After check-out, your arrangements end. (B)

# LHASA SHORT STAY

4 DAYS

Explore the Potala Palace, wander the Barkhor Circuit, admire Jokhang Temple and visit the Sera Monastery.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	\$1,290	\$2,340
Deluxe	\$1,570	\$2,900

- Price includes
- Accommodation (3 nights Lhasa)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Private touring with guides and entrance fees
  - Tibet travel permit



Gaze at the Potala Palace

## DAY 1: ARRIVE IN LHASA

Upon arrival, you will be met by your local guide and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure to allow for acclimatisation.

## DAY 2: SACRED LHASA

Sightseeing today includes a stroll around Barkhor Circuit where traditional dress, market stalls selling religious trinkets and the sound of chanted prayers by locals and pilgrims alike create a fascinating and vibrant atmosphere. The heart of the Barkhor, visit Tibet's most sacred temple, the 7th-century Jokhang Temple, before heading to Sera Monastery which has around 600 resident monks. (B,L)

## DAY 3: POTALA PALACE

Explore the 'crown jewel' of Tibet – the Potala Palace. The palace is an architectural wonder that towers over the city, with thousands of rooms filled with treasures such as intricate shrines and beautiful frescoes. Later, visit Norbulingka, the former summer residence of the Dalai Lama, containing several palaces and chapels. (B,L)

## DAY 4: DEPART LHASA

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)



# CHONGQING, DAZU & WULONG SHORT STAY

5 DAYS

Admire Dazu's magnificent rock art, explore Wulong's dramatic nature and soak in relaxing natural hot springs.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	\$1,370	\$2,500
Deluxe	\$1,540	\$2,820

- Price includes
- Accommodation (3 nights Chongqing, 1 night Wulong)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Private touring with guides and entrance fees



Marval at Dazu's rock carvings

## DAY 1: ARRIVE CHONGQING

Upon arrival, make your own way to your accommodation. The rest of the day is at leisure.

## DAY 2: EXPLORE DAZU

Travel by road to Dazu, home to the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Dazu Rock Carvings. Located in southeast Sichuan Province, Dazu is reputed as 'the county of rock carving'. The steep hillsides of the Dazu contain an exceptional series of rock carvings dating from the 9th to the 13th-century and are some of the best preserved in China. Here, you'll find thousands of Buddhist, Taoist and Confucianist idols and symbols carved into rock faces in over 70 sites. Enjoy the day in Dazu before returning to Chongqing. (B,L)

## DAY 3: DISCOVER WULONG

Transfer to Wulong – an area of stunning natural scenery and another UNESCO World Heritage Site. Spend the day strolling through Wulong National Park. Wander amongst the dramatic karst landscapes, that include three naturally-formed stone bridges, narrow gorges, caves and limestone formations. (B,L)

## DAY 4: RETURN TO CHONGQING

Return to Chongqing and enjoy a soak in some of the region's hot springs. (B,L)

## DAY 5: DEPART CHONGQING

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

# NINE VILLAGES VALLEY SHORT STAY

4 DAYS

Spend two days discovering Jiuzhaigou National Park and explore Huanglong Valley.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	\$2,010	\$2,880
Deluxe	\$2,280	\$3,460

- Price includes
- Accommodation (1 night Chengdu, 2 nights Jiuzhaigou)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Private touring with guides and entrance fees



Admire crystal clear lakes in Nine Villages Valley

## DAY 1: ARRIVE CHENGDU

Upon arrival, make your own way to your accommodation. The rest of the day is at leisure.

## DAY 2: NINE VILLAGES VALLEY

Fly to Jiuzhaigou. Upon arrival, transfer to the UNESCO World Heritage Listed site of Nine Villages Valley visiting Huanglong Scenic Area en route. Located in the southern part of Minshan mountain range, the area is known for its colourful pools of limestone formations, snow-clad mountains, diverse forest ecosystems, pristine waterfalls and hot springs. (B,D)

## DAY 3: NINE VILLAGES VALLEY

Explore the 16km-long Nine Villages Valley, a botanical gallery that is heavily forested and home to many protected species. Entering the valley is like being transported into a different world, where crystal clear lakes gather at the foot of every waterfall. (B,L,D)

## DAY 4: DEPART CHENGDU

Return by road to Jiuzhaigou and transfer to the airport for your flight to Chengdu where arrangements end. (B)

# ZHANGJIAJIE SHORT STAY

4 DAYS

Gaze on Zhangjiajie's pinnacles, admire peaceful Lake Baofeng, explore Mount Tianmen and discover Huanglong cave.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	\$900	\$1,480
Deluxe	\$1,150	\$1,930

- Price includes
- Accommodation (3 nights Zhangjiajie)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Private touring with guides and entrance fees



Explore Zhangjiajie National Park

## DAY 1: ARRIVE ZHANGJIAJIE

Upon arrival, make your own way to your accommodation. The rest of the day is at leisure.

## DAY 2: EXPLORE ZHANGJIAJIE

Enjoy a full day of exploring Zhangjiajie National Park. Begin at the Yuanjiajie Scenic Area and make your way around the karst scenery. Ride the Bailong glass elevator up to Mihun Stage and enjoy amazing views of the majestic peaks, including the 'First Bridge under the Sun' and Hallelujah Mountain. Continue to Emperor Mountain to visit Helong Park. Take a cable car down and head to Jinbian Stream and Ten-Mile Natural Gallery. You will be walking for around 4-5 hours in the park. (B,L)

## DAY 3: HUANGLONG CAVE

Enjoy a sampan cruise on Lake Baofeng, a peaceful expanse of water amongst picturesque karst scenery. Later, explore the colourful stalagmites and stalactites of the Huanglong Cave, stretching over 120 acres in area. (B,L)

## DAY 4: MOUNT TIANMEN

Take a cable car to the beautiful Mount Tianmen and walk on the thrilling glass skywalk. Visit Tianmen Cave, nicknamed 'Heaven's Door' and Jun Sheng Sandstone painting gallery. After touring, your arrangements end at your hotel. (B,L)

# MT HUANG SHORT STAY

4 DAYS

Cable car to summit of Mt Huang, explore Tunxi ancient town, visit local villages and travel on the bullet train.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	\$1,170	\$1,650

- Price includes
- Accommodation (2 nights Tunxi, 1 night Mt Huang)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Private touring with guides and entrance fees



Enjoy spectacular views from Mt. Huang

## DAY 1: ARRIVE TUNXI

Your guide will meet you at your hotel in Shanghai and together you will transfer to the station to board the bullet train to Tunxi. The rest of the day is at leisure.

## DAY 2: MT HUANG SUMMIT

Take a cable car to the summit of Mt. Huang. Located in the southern part of Anhui Province, it is undoubtedly one of the most popular mountain ranges in China. Enjoy the spectacular views of the oddly shaped peaks, rock formations, thousand-year-old pine trees and ever-changing mist, all of which have inspired local artists for centuries. Stay overnight in Mt. Huang. (B,L)

## DAY 3: TUNXI ANCIENT TOWN

Take the cable car down to the base of the mountain and explore this ancient town of Tunxi. The narrow cobbled streets are lined with pretty little shops selling anything from local snacks and tea, to paintbrushes, cultural relics and intricate wood carvings. Stay overnight in Tunxi. (B,L)

## DAY 4: DEPART TUNXI

Begin the day with a visit to local villages and learn about local lifestyle before transferring to the station to board your bullet train to Shanghai where arrangements end. (B,L)



# SNOW MONKEYS EXTENSION

4 DAYS

Visit Zenkoji Temple, watch snow monkeys play, explore the old town of Obuse and see fine art at Hokusai Museum.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$3,195	\$5,460
Superior	\$3,560	\$6,170

- Price includes
- Accommodation (1 night Tokyo, 2 nights Yudanaka)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Private touring with guides and entrance fees



Watch snow monkeys play

## DAY 1: ARRIVE TOKYO

Travel to the dazzling metropolis of Tokyo, Japan's capital city. Upon arrival, you will be met and transferred by public transport to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

## DAY 2: YUDANAKA ONSEN

Your guide will meet you at your hotel in Tokyo and together transfer to Tokyo Station by taxi to board your bullet train to Nagano. Visit the 7th-century Zenkoji Temple, then transfer by road to Yudanaka where you will visit Shibu Onsen, a historical and attractive hot spring town. Later, transfer to your ryokan (traditional Japanese accommodation) where you will stay two nights. (B,D)

## DAY 3: JIGOKUDANI MONKEY PARK

This morning, head to Jigokudani Monkey Park. Walk through the forested valley where you will come across some thermal pools. Spend time watching the Japanese macaques bathe and play. Later, explore the old town of Obuse and also visit Hokusai Museum, a tribute to the renowned Japanese artist Hokusai Katsushika, and see a collection of his woodblock paintings on display before returning to your ryokan. (B,D)

## DAY 4: YUDANAKA ONSEN TO TOKYO

Transfer to Nagano Station and board the bullet train to Tokyo. Upon arrival at your Tokyo hotel your arrangements end. (B)

# NARA SHORT STAY

2 DAYS

View the eminent Todaiji, wander beautiful Nara Park, see the lovely Kasuga Shrine and visit Meiji-era Isuien Garden.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$625	\$1,160
Superior	\$765	\$1,440

- Price includes
- Accommodation (1 night Osaka)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Private touring with guides and entrance fees



See the local sika deer

## DAY 1: NARA DAY TRIP

Your guide will meet you at your hotel in Osaka and together transfer to Osaka Station and take the local train to Nara. Located in the Kansai region of Japan, ancient Nara was Japan's capital before Kyoto. Start at Todaiji, a UNESCO-listed temple that is home to the Daibutsu, or Great Buddha.

Take time to wander through the beautiful grounds and see the sika deer. Continue into the huge expanse of Nara Park, a designated 'Place of Scenic Beauty', home to even more sika deer who, in the Shinto religion, are considered the messengers of the gods.

After lunch at a local restaurant, visit Kasuga Taisha, Nara's most celebrated shrine, and the tranquil Meiji-era garden of Isuien. Transfer back to Osaka by local train and arrive at your hotel. (L)

## DAY 2: DEPART OSAKA

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer independently to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

# TOKYO SHORT STAY

4 DAYS

Visit the tranquil Meiji Jingu Shrine, explore quirky Harajuku, discover beautiful Kamakura and see the Great Buddha at Kotokuin.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$1,595	\$2,845
Superior	\$1,780	\$3,195

- Price includes
- Accommodation (3 nights Tokyo)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Private touring with guides and entrance fees

## DAY 1: ARRIVE TOKYO

Travel to the dazzling metropolis of Tokyo, Japan's capital city. Upon arrival, you will be met and transferred by public transport to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

## DAY 2: EXPLORE TOKYO

Spend a full day exploring Tokyo with a guide. Making use of the city's excellent public transport, start by visiting Sumida Hokusai Museum, before heading to Meiji Shrine, a Shinto shrine nestled amongst an evergreen forest in the city, and then continue to the fast-paced districts of Harajuku and Omotesando. This afternoon, visit the Tokyo Government Building's observatory deck for panoramic views of Tokyo and beyond. Spend some time in the bustling entertainment district of Shinjuku before returning to your hotel. (B)

## DAY 3: KAMAKURA DAY TRIP

Meet your guide and transfer by local train to Kamakura, a coastal city south of Tokyo, known for its dozens of unique temples. Visit Kotokuin, whose grounds house Japan's second tallest bronze Buddha statue, and the Hase Temple. Stroll through Kamakura Komachi Street, lined with different shops and restaurants, before visiting Kamakura's most important shrine, Tsurugaoka Hachimangu. Transfer back to Tokyo by public transport. (B)

## DAY 4: DEPART TOKYO

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer independently to the airport for your onward flight. (B)



Enjoy a day trip to Kamakura

# KYOTO SHORT STAY

4 DAYS

Admire the beautiful Kodaiji Temple, explore Kyoto's geisha district, see the impressive Heian Shrine and stroll the Philosopher's Path.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$1,960	\$2,895
Superior	\$2,135	\$3,470
Deluxe	\$2,400	\$3,735

- Price includes
- Accommodation (3 nights Kyoto)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Private touring with guides and entrance fees

## DAY 1: ARRIVE KYOTO

Travel to Kyoto, Japan's ancient capital and make your own way to the hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

## DAY 2: KYOTO

Explore the former imperial capital with a knowledgeable local guide using public transportation. Start at either the magnificent Fushimi Inari Shrine or the Gekkeikan Okura Sake Museum. Visit the unique Sanjusangendo Temple, the beautiful temples of Kodaiji and Kenninji before strolling down the streets of Gion, Kyoto's famous geisha district. Stop at Gion Corner, a showcase for the seven professional performing arts. (B)

## DAY 3: KYOTO

Meet your guide in the hotel lobby and use public transport to reach Nijo, an ornamental castle built as the Kyoto residence of the Tokugawa shoguns. Continue to Heian shrine, famous for its huge vermilion torii gate. In the afternoon, visit Eikando Temple before continuing to Ginkakuji and the Philosopher's Path, a pleasant walk along a stone path which follows a canal lined by hundreds of cherry trees. (B)

## DAY 4: DEPART KYOTO

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer independently to the airport for your onward flight. (B)



Stroll along the streets of Gion





Visit Wen Wu Temple

# CLASSIC TAIWAN

5 DAYS

See bustling Taipei, visit Tehua aboriginal village, relax at Sun Moon Lake and uncover ancient Tainan.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$1,300	\$2,450
Superior	\$1,440	\$2,740
Deluxe	\$1,680	\$3,200

- Price includes:
- Accommodation (2 nights Taipei, 1 night Sun Moon Lake, 1 night Tainan)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Private touring with guides and entrance fees



Explore vibrant Taipei



Visit the Confucius Temple

## DAY 1: ARRIVE TAIPEI

Arrive in Taiwan's capital, Taipei, where you will be met by a driver and transferred to your hotel. Taipei is a laidback and vibrant city that, as well as being packed with the upmarket and ultramodern, is a bastion of Taiwan's wonderfully rich heritage. Its beauty lies in its blend of Chinese culture with a curious fusion of Japanese and Southeast Asian influences.

## DAY 2: TAIPEI TO SUN MOON LAKE

Depart Taipei to journey into the heart of the island to what is arguably Taiwan's most scenic spot – Sun Moon Lake. At an altitude of 762 metres, this large body of fresh water is one of the island's most lovely natural vistas, popular for hiking and biking. Here, visit the impressive Wen Wu Temple adorned with red and gold features, Holy Monk Shrine, Tze-En Pagoda which offers breathtaking views over the lake and the aboriginal village of Tehua. Stay overnight at Sun Moon Lake. (B)

## DAY 3: SUN MOON LAKE TO TAINAN

Travel south to Tainan, the ancient capital of Taiwan, rich in preserved historical sites and cultural relics. Take a walking tour around Anping Fort, which was established by the Dutch East India Company in the 17th century, though what you see today is a reconstruction. Wander down some of the most historical streets in the city, catching a

glimpse of the Tainan of times-gone-by. Also visit Chihkan Tower, built in 1653 by Dutch colonisers and stop at the Confucius Temple. Stay overnight in Tainan. (B)

## DAY 4: TAINAN TO TAIPEI

Travel back to Taipei by high-speed train. Stop by the CKS Memorial Hall to see the Changing of the Guards ceremony and visit the 18th-century Longshan Temple. Make a photostop at the world-famous Taipei 101. Towering above the city like the gigantic bamboo stalk it was designed to resemble, Taipei 101 is impossible to miss. Also explore the National Palace Museum, home to the world's largest and finest collection of Chinese art and artefacts including paintings, calligraphy, bronzes, lacquerware, ceramics, jade, religious objects and Martyr's Shrine. Enjoy the evening at leisure and perhaps visit one of the many markets on offer to experience local life in the city at night. (B)

## DAY 5: DEPART TAIPEI

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

# TAIPEI SHORT STAY

4 DAYS

Discover bustling Taipei, ascend Taipei 101, explore the National Palace Museum and see Longshan Temple.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$710	\$1,350
Superior	\$770	\$1,460
Deluxe	\$900	\$1,720

- Price includes
- Accommodation (3 nights Taipei)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Private touring with guides and entrance fees

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## DAY 2: TAIPEI

Your guide will meet you at your hotel in Taipei to commence your tour. Start with a visit to the Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall, a monument dedicated to the former leader. Next, ascend to the observation deck at Taipei 101 for a birds-eye view over this



Enjoy panoramic views of Taipei

sprawling city. Later, explore Longshan Temple and then Dihua Street known for its many Chinese medicine shops. Finish the day at the National Palace Museum to admire the Chinese imperial collections and Martyr's Shrine before returning to your hotel. (B)

## DAY 3: TAIPEI

Enjoy the day at leisure to explore the many sights and sounds of Taipei. (B)

## DAY 4: DEPART TAIPEI

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

# TAROKO & SUN MOON LAKE

4 DAYS

Explore Taroko National Park, tour the Gorge Gateway, see Eternal Spring Shrine and relax at Sun Moon Lake.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$1,020	\$1,970
Superior	\$1,170	\$2,270
Deluxe	\$1,420	\$2,770

- Price includes
- Accommodation (1 night Taipei, 1 night Taroko, 1 night Sun Moon Lake)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Private touring with guides and entrance fees

## DAY 1: ARRIVE TAIPEI

Upon arrival at Taipei, you will be met by a driver and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

## DAY 2: TAROKO NATIONAL PARK & GORGE GATEWAY

Transfer by road to Taroko National Park, driving along the breathtaking east coast cliff highway, taking a photo stop en route at Chingshui Cliff to enjoy the splendid scenery of the Pacific Ocean. Upon arrival at Taroko National Park, enjoy a tour of the Toroko Gorge Gateway, Eternal Spring Shrine and Swallow Grotto. (B)

## DAY 3: SUN MOON LAKE

This morning, travel to Sun Moon Lake driving along the central cross island highway on Mt Hehuan where you will have panoramic views over the central mountain ranges. Upon arrival at Sun Moon Lake, visit Wen Wu Temple, Holy Monk Shrine, Ita Thao Village and Tze-En Pagoda. (B)

## DAY 4: DEPART TAIPEI

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to Taipei for your onward flight. An additional night in Taipei may be required depending on your flight time. (B)



Discover the Eternal Spring Shrine





Discover Gyeongbok Palace

# CLASSIC SOUTH KOREA

5 DAYS

See Gyeongbok Palace, taste delicious Korean street food, explore historic Gyeongju and admire UNESCO Bulguksa Temple.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLE TRAVELLER
Standard	\$2,280	\$4,095
Superior	\$2,485	\$4,465
Deluxe	\$3,270	\$5,915

- Price includes:
- Accommodation (3 nights Seoul, 1 night Gyeongju)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Private touring with guides and entrance fees



Visit Bulguksa Temple



Enjoy delicious street food

**DAY 1: ARRIVE SEOUL**  
Arrive in South Korea's capital, Seoul, where you will be met by a driver and transferred to your hotel. This dynamic city may be well and truly on fast-forward for everything from fashion to technology, but it is still deeply rooted in tradition. Stumble upon temples and palaces amongst the glittering skyscrapers and neon billboards and enjoy Seoul's foodie credentials – the street snacks are second to none!

**DAY 2: EXPLORE SEOUL**  
Take a full day to explore some of Seoul's many treasures with a local guide. Start at Gyeongbok Palace, the country's most famous and beautiful royal palace, where, as well as exploring, you will see the Royal Guard Changing Ceremony. Next, visit symbolic Namsan Park and N Seoul Tower before heading to Gwangjang Market to taste some of Seoul's best street food. This evening, you have the option of watching a traditional music and dance performance at Korea House (payable locally). (B)

**DAY 3: HISTORIC GYEONGJU**  
Meet your driver-guide and transfer to Seoul station. Travel on the KTX bullet train to Gyeongju. Located in the southeastern corner of North Gyeongsang Province, this city was the ancient capital of the Silla Kingdom, which ruled part of the Korean peninsula from the year 57BC to 935AD. Gyeongju is a living museum, home to a

staggering amount of heritage sites, from tombs and temples to pagodas and palaces. On arrival, meet your driver and start discovering historic Gyeongju. Head to Mount Tohamsan and the UNESCO World Heritage Bulguksa Temple and Seokguram Grotto. The temple is considered a masterpiece of Silla architecture whilst Seokguram Grotto, a hermitage, is home to some of the world's best Buddhist sculptures. There will also be time to enjoy the vistas around Bomun Lake. Stay overnight in Gyeongju. (B,L)

**DAY 4: RETURN TO SEOUL**  
Meet your driver-guide to further explore Gyeongju. Start at the National Museum and marvel at its collection of Silla relics. Continue to Tumuli Park with its many royal tombs before heading to the 7th-century Cheomseongdae Observatory, the oldest surviving observatory in East Asia. Finally, visit Anapji Pond. Return by bullet train to Seoul where the evening is at leisure. (B,L)

**DAY 5: DEPART SEOUL**  
Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

# SEOUL SHORT STAY

4 DAYS

Discover bustling Seoul, see Gyeongbok Palace, visit the National Folk Museum and explore Namdaemun Market.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$775	\$1,470
Superior	\$940	\$1,780
Deluxe	\$1,510	\$2,785

- Price includes
- Accommodation (3 nights Seoul)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Private touring with guides and entrance fees

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**DAY 2: SEOUL**  
Take a full day to explore some of Seoul's many treasures with a local guide. Start at Gyeongbok Palace, the country's most famous and beautiful royal palace, where, as well as exploring, you will

see the Royal Guard Changing Ceremony. Visit the National Folk Museum of Korea, the 14th-century Jogyesa Temple which is the centre of Korean Buddhism, Bukchon Hanok Village with its restored traditional houses and the observation deck at N Seoul Tower which offers panoramic views over the city. End the day at Namdaemun Market before returning to your hotel. (B,L)

**DAY 3: SEOUL**  
Enjoy the day at leisure to explore the many sights and sounds of Seoul. (B)

**DAY 4: DEPART SEOUL**  
Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)



Enjoy panoramic views over Seoul

# JEJU ISLAND SHORT STAY

4 DAYS

Explore Hallim Park, take a stroll on Hyeopjuae Beach, visit impressive Sunrise Peak and explore Manjanggul Cave.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$795	\$1,285
Superior	\$1,085	\$1,695
Deluxe	\$1,550	\$2,515

- Price includes
- Accommodation (3 nights Jeju Island)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Seat-in-coach touring with guides and entrance fees

**DAY 1: ARRIVE JEJU ISLAND**  
Upon arrival at Jeju Island airport, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

**DAY 2: EXPLORE JEJU ISLAND**  
You will be met by your guide and enjoy a full day seat-in-coach tour of Jeju Island. Begin the day with a visit to Hallim Park to see its sub-tropical gardens and mysterious lava caves and stop by Hyeopjuae Beach. After lunch, enjoy a boat ride where you will see Dragon Head Coast, Mt Sanbangsan and Jusannggeolli Cliff from the boat. Later, choose to visit either the charming Cheonjeyeon Waterfalls or the Teddy Bear Museum before returning to your hotel. (B,L)

**DAY 3: MORE TIME IN JEJU ISLAND**  
Enjoy another full day seat-in-coach tour of Jeju Island. Begin the day with horse riding followed by a visit to Seongeup Folk Village. After lunch, head to Seongsan Sunrise Peak, a large volcanic rock cone and explore Manjanggul Lava Cave. Your tour will finish in the downtown area and you will make your own way back to your hotel using the bus ticket provided. (B,L)

**DAY 4: DEPART JEJU ISLAND**  
Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)



Explore beautiful Jeju Island

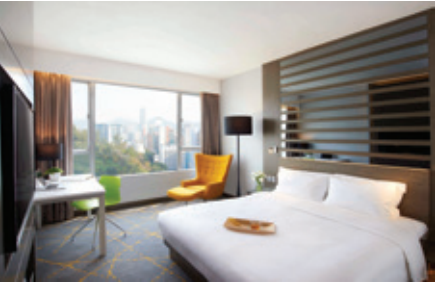


# HONG KONG STOPOVERS

Hong Kong boasts award-winning gastronomy, a colourful nightlife and unbeatable city views from panoramic Victoria Peak or from the deck of a sampan on the harbour. A sophisticated and lively metropolis, Hong Kong's mix of colonial influences, futuristic modernity and distinct Chinese traditions make it the ultimate East-meets-West destination.

Hong Kong skyline

## KOWLOON HOTELS



**THE CITYVIEW ★★★★★**  
Located in the heart of Yau Ma Tei, The Cityview sits adjacent to bustling Nathan Road. It has a cosy Cantonese restaurant, a casual cafe and an airy Thai eatery. Offering world-class green eco standards and attentive service, The Cityview will make you feel right at home.



**HARBOUR GRAND KOWLOON ★★★★★**  
For those who like comfort and functionality with their luxury, the Harbour Grand's spacious rooms with floor to ceiling windows, some with harbour views, are perfect. The glass-walled pool, range of international restaurants and half hourly shuttles to Tsim Sha Tsui add to the appeal.



**EATON HOTEL ★★★★★**  
Conveniently located on famous Nathan Road, in the heart of Kowloon, and a short walk from Jordan MTR Station and the Temple Street Night Markets. The fabulous rooms, and incredible amenities including a roof top pool and 24 hour gym will help you have a fantastic experience in Hong Kong.



**THE LANGHAM, KOWLOON ★★★★★**  
Located at the heart of the Tsim Sha Tsui shopping district, the Langham exudes a timeless elegance. Boasting a three Michelin-starred restaurant, a roof top pool and luxurious accommodation, the Langham's personalised service is one of many things that will make your stay here perfect.

## HONG KONG ISLAND HOTELS



**DORSETT, WAN CHAI ★★★★★**  
Perfectly located next to the Happy Valley Racecourse, the Dorsett offers bright and airy rooms decorated in a series of elegant themes. Just a ten-minute stroll from Causeway Bay MTR station, a free shuttle serves the most popular spots close by.



**HARBOUR GRAND HONG KONG ★★★★★**  
Harbour Grand Hong Kong is an upscale hotel ideally located at the heart of Hong Kong Island. All guestrooms feature modern décor and panoramic harbour views over the iconic Victoria Harbour. Facilities include four restaurants, a lounge, a spa and a seasonal outdoor swimming pool.

# HONG KONG GLIMPSES

## 3 DAYS

This introductory visit to Hong Kong features the highlights of this vibrant city, including a stop at Victoria Peak for panoramic harbour views and the quaint Aberdeen fishing village. Also take some time to relax and explore the city's foodie scene and shop till your heart's content in the many markets.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Cityview	\$525	\$760
Eaton Hotel	\$590	\$890
Harbour Grand Kowloon	\$630	\$940

- Price includes**
- Accommodation (2 nights Hong Kong)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Seat-in-coach touring with guides and entrance fees

**DAY 1: ARRIVE HONG KONG**  
Arrive in Hong Kong and take a coach transfer from the airport to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure.

**DAY 2: HONG KONG TOUR**  
Enjoy a half day seat-in-coach tour of Hong Kong Island starting with a panoramic Peak Tram ride up to Victoria Peak for fantastic views of the harbour, towering skyscrapers and the city below. Passing the popular



Aberdeen Fishing Village

Repulse Bay Beach, continue to Aberdeen fishing village and enjoy an optional ride in a sampan (at your own expense). The tour ends with a visit to the buzzing Stanley Market. The rest of the day is at leisure. (B)

**DAY 3: DEPART HONG KONG**  
Enjoy time at leisure before transferring to Hong Kong airport by coach. (B)

# HONG KONG IN FOCUS

## 4 DAYS

Designed to show you two aspects of life in the city, tour the best bits of Hong Kong Island before discovering the natural beauty of Lantau, Hong Kong's largest island. See the Grand Buddha and enjoy lunch at Po Lin Monastery, with some time to further explore as you wish.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Cityview	\$890	\$1,245
Eaton Hotel	\$990	\$1,440
Harbour Grand Kowloon	\$1,050	\$1,520

- Price includes**
- Accommodation (3 nights Hong Kong)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Seat-in-coach touring with guides and entrance fees

**DAY 1: ARRIVE HONG KONG**  
Arrive in Hong Kong and take a coach transfer from the airport to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure.

**DAY 2: HONG KONG TOUR**  
Enjoy a half day seat-in-coach tour of Hong Kong Island, starting with a panoramic ride on the Peak Tram up to Victoria Peak for fantastic views of the harbour, towering skyscrapers and the city below. Passing the popular Repulse Bay Beach, continue to Aberdeen fishing village and enjoy an optional ride in a sampan (at your own expense). The tour ends with a visit to Stanley Market. The rest of the day is at leisure. (B)



Grand Buddha at Lantau Island

**DAY 3: LANTAU ISLAND**  
Spend today discovering Lantau Island. Transfer to Tung Chung for a stunning cable car ride up to Ngong Ping Plateau where the Grand Buddha sits majestically next to the Po Lin Monastery. After touring the Giant Buddha Exhibition Hall and the monastery, sit down for a delicious vegetarian lunch. Later, visit the historical fishing village of Tai O with its traditional stilt houses. (B,L)

**DAY 4: DEPART HONG KONG**  
Enjoy time at leisure before transferring to Hong Kong airport by coach. (B)



# MACAO STOPOVERS

Across the Pearl River Delta from Hong Kong, Macao boasts a blend of culture and casinos. This former Portuguese enclave, that pre-dates Hong Kong by 300 years, mixes Mediterranean style with Chinese traditions, creating a unique and fascinating atmosphere. Macao is also one of the few places in China where gambling is legal and there are plenty of glistening casinos and resorts to choose from.



Macao skyline in the evening

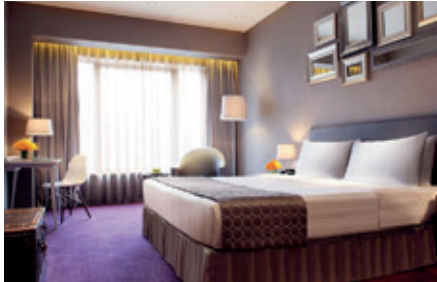
## MACAO HOTELS



**REGENCY ART MACAO ★★★★★**  
Located close to the city centre of Macao, this elegant hotel with a Mediterranean vibe offers comfortable and spacious rooms. The hotel serves international cuisine, both casual and fine dining and has an outdoor pool, spa, gym and tennis court.



**METROPARK HOTEL, MACAO ★★★★★**  
Positioned within minutes of Macao's Mediterranean-inspired Senado Square, the Metropark Hotel is located in the enviable downtown district. Equipped with swimming pool, Jacuzzi and gymnasium, this comfortable hotel has all the mod-cons.



**GRAND EMPEROR ★★★**  
Within walking distance of the Ruins of St Paul's, the Grand Emperor Hotel boasts a central location on the Macao Peninsula and offers a touch of luxury, with a dazzling gold lobby, contemporary guest rooms and a plethora of dining options.



**HOTEL ROYAL MACAO ★★★★★**  
Situating in the heart of Macao, the newly refurbished Hotel Royal Macao is located close to many of Macao's historical buildings, including the spectacular Guia Fortress. This hotel has a Portuguese and Shanghaiese restaurant, as well as an indoor heated pool.



**CONRAD MACAO ★★★★★**  
Situating on the glitzy Cotai Strip, the Conrad Macao is a world-class contemporary luxury resort, offering light and spacious accommodation. Remember to take advantage of the many restaurants specialising in Chinese, Japanese and western cuisine.



**SOFITEL MACAO AT PONTE 16 ★★★★★**  
Boasting spectacular views across the Xi River, the Sofitel Macao at Ponte 16 is the pinnacle of glamour. Each room is inspired by a fusion of French and Macanese styles, furnished with MyBed mattress, LCD TV and Hermès bathroom amenities.

# TASTE OF MACAO

## 3 DAYS

From the historical to the modern and from the religious to the glitzy, Macao's rich portfolio of sights and attractions makes it an excitingly diverse destination. An intricate tapestry of Mediterranean and Chinese architecture, cuisine and cultures – a journey through Macao is like crossing two distinct countries.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Regency Art	\$580	\$830
Hotel Royal	\$700	\$1,055
Sofitel Macao at Ponte 16	\$925	\$1,450

- Price includes**
- Accommodation (2 nights Macao)
  - Meals as stated
  - Transportation as stated
  - Seat-in-coach touring with guides and entrance fees

**DAY 1: HONG KONG TO MACAO**  
Transfer independently by shuttle bus to the ferry terminal in Hong Kong for your ferry to Macao. Upon arrival, take a seat-in-coach tour around the Macao Peninsula, visiting the ancient 17th-century Ruins of St Paul's Cathedral, Macao Museum and World Heritage Sites including Na Tcha Temple, St. Dominic's Church and Senado Square. After lunch, visit the observation deck of Macao Tower. Transfer to your hotel and check in. (L)



Ruins of St Paul's Cathedral

**DAY 2: MACAO**  
Enjoy a day at leisure. Perhaps check out the 17th-century Portuguese Guia Fortress, learn about Macao Formula Three at the Grand Prix Museum, or try your luck in one of the many casinos on Cotai Strip. (B)

**DAY 3: DEPART MACAO**  
After breakfast, check-out of your hotel and transfer independently to the Macao Pier by shuttle bus for your ferry directly to Hong Kong airport. (B)

# HONG KONG & MACAO

## 5 DAYS

Visit the cosmopolitan island of Hong Kong before heading to vibrant Macao to explore its history and laidback culture. These two cities, both boasting an intriguing collision of European and Chinese influences, offer a great diversity of sights, sounds and flavours.

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Cityview & Regency Art	\$1,170	\$1,720
Eaton & Hotel Royal	\$1,225	\$1,815
Harbour Grand Kowloon & Sheraton Macao	\$1,555	\$2,390

- Price includes**
- Accommodation (2 nights Hong Kong, 2 nights Macao)
  - Meals as stated (B,L,D)
  - Transportation as stated
  - Seat-in-coach touring with guides and entrance fees

**DAY 1: HONG KONG**  
Arrive in Hong Kong and take a coach transfer from the airport to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure.

**DAY 2: HONG KONG**  
Enjoy a half day seat-in-coach tour starting with a panoramic ride up the Peak Tram to Victoria Peak for fantastic views of the harbour and city. Continue to Aberdeen fishing village and take an optional ride in a sampan (at your own expense). Conclude with a visit to the buzzing Stanley Market. (B)

**DAY 3: TRAVEL TO MACAO**  
Transfer by coach to the ferry terminal in Hong Kong for your ferry



St Dominic's Church on Senado Square

to Macao. Upon arrival, take a seat-in-coach tour around the Macao Peninsula, visiting the ancient 17th-century Ruins of St Paul's, Macao Museum and World Heritage Sites including Na Tcha Temple, St. Dominic's Church and Senado Square. After lunch, visit the observation deck of Macao Tower. Transfer to your hotel and check in. (B,L)

**DAY 4: MACAO**  
Enjoy a day at leisure. (B)

**DAY 5: DEPART MACAO**  
After check out this morning, take the shuttle bus to the Macao Pier for your direct ferry to Hong Kong airport. (B)



# SINGAPORE STOPOVERS

Singapore is a city just waiting for you to discover its magnificent mix of tastes, sights and sounds. As one of Asia's most iconic and vibrant cities it offers experiences such as exploring Sentosa Island, Gardens by the Bay, cultural neighbourhoods and, of course, an ever growing selection of food!



Visit Singapore's iconic Merlion

## SINGAPORE HOTELS



**PENINSULA EXCELSIOR HOTEL ★★★★★**  
A modern full-service hotel perfect for business and leisure travellers alike. It is less than five-minute walk to Raffles City and Clarke Quay MRT Stations as well as the Singapore Formula 1 Night Racetrack, and only a five-minute drive to the Marina Bay Sands and Orchard Road. All guests enjoy free Wi-Fi during their stay.



**ORCHARD RENDEZVOUS HOTEL ★★★★★**  
Conveniently located at one of the world's most famous shopping streets, Orchard Road, the Orchard Rendezvous Hotel is a short walk from Orchard MRT Station and only a five-minute drive to Singapore's breath taking Botanic Gardens, making it an ideal starting point for your Singapore adventure.



**ORCHARD HOTEL ★★★★★**  
The legendary Orchard Hotel Singapore is located at the centre of Singapore's premier shopping and entertainment district. It is also within close proximity to the UNESCO World Heritage site of Singapore Botanic Gardens and less than a 10-minute walk to Orchard MRT Station.



**GRAND PARK ORCHARD HOTEL ★★★★★**  
Awarded as Asia's leading design hotel, the Grand Park Orchard is one of Singapore's trendiest hotels. Perfect for shopping lovers, it is found in the heart of the entertainment and shopping district, right next to Paragon, a premier upscale retail shopping mall.



**PARK REGIS HOTEL ★★★★★**  
The Park Regis Hotel is located in the heart of Singapore's CBD and within close proximity to the entertainment, cultural and dining hubs of the city. Iconic sites such as Clarke Quay, Robertson's Quay, Boat Quay and Chinatown are easily accessed from this hotel.



**SOFITEL SINGAPORE SENTOSA RESORT & SPA ★★★★★**  
The Sofitel Singapore Sentosa Resort & Spa is a 5-star luxury resort situation on the beautiful Sentosa Island. Just a 25-minute drive from Singapore Changi Airport, this property is a haven of tranquillity, offering a range of pampering experiences and complimentary shuttle bus to VivoCity shopping mall, it is perfect for those wanting to escape and relax.

# SINGAPORE SHORT STAY

3 DAYS

See the waterfront Merlion Park, see 'old' Singapore at Thian Hock Keng and visit the National Orchid Garden.

Prices are from per person, based on low season

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Peninsula Excelsior	\$445	\$795
Orchard Hotel	\$460	\$865
Grand Park Orchard	\$510	\$960

Price includes

- Accommodation (2 nights Singapore)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Seat-in-coach touring with guides and entrance fees

### DAY 1: ARRIVE SINGAPORE

Upon arrival at Singapore airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel by coach. 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)



Delight in the famous Singapore cityscape

# GARDENS BY THE BAY

4 DAYS

See Singapore's many sights, stroll the cool Cloud Forest and Flower Dome and marvel at the Supertrees.

Prices are from per person, based on low season

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Peninsula Excelsior	\$655	\$1150
Orchard Hotel	\$665	\$1235
Grand Park Orchard	\$735	\$1385

Price includes

- Accommodation (3 nights Singapore)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Seat-in-coach touring with guides and entrance fees

### DAY 1: ARRIVE SINGAPORE

Upon arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel by coach. 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 independently to Gardens by the Bay. It spans 101 hectares and houses more than 500,000 plants. Wander through the two clouded conservatories - Flower Dome and Cloud Forest - at your leisure. Make your own way back to your hotel. (B)

### DAY 4: DEPART SINGAPORE

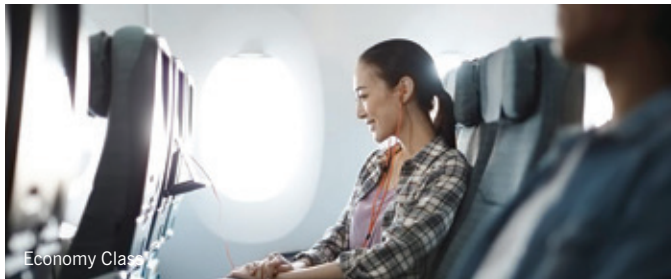
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See the wondrous Supertrees in the Gardens by the Bay



# A word from our preferred airline partners



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Enjoy a stopover in the cosmopolitan city of Hong Kong. Refer to pages 92 & 93 for a selection of our preferred hotels and recommended services



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Enjoy a stopover in the bustling city of Singapore. Refer to pages 96 & 97 for a selection of our preferred hotels and recommended services.



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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 Reservation Consultants can assist with arranging any of these additional services. The accrual of frequent flyer points and pre-seat allocation may not be possible on group fares and is at the discretion of each airline.

## AIR TRAVEL NOTES

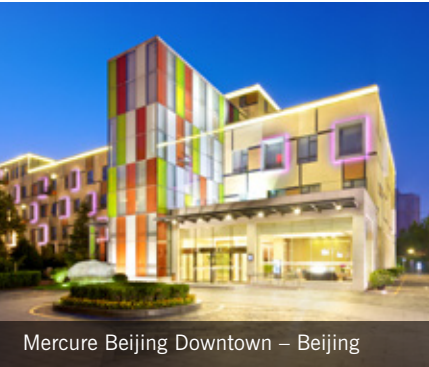
- Please be advised that Premium Economy and Business Class upgrades can only be secured on the initial international flights in/out of Australia. They cannot be guaranteed on any other sector due to very limited availability and the types of aircraft used. Please contact our Reservation Consultants 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.



# Hotels

Your accommodation is chosen for the convenience of its location, levels of comfort or quirky character, so it can range from a smart business hotel here to a family-run guesthouse there. Here is a taster of the type of hotels you will be staying in on your tour.

## EXAMPLE TOUR HOTELS IN CHINA



Hotels on our group tours are generally rated as local three to four star standard, but please note that there is no international classification system for hotels and differences in facilities and quality may exist between the Australia and China. Hotels are subject to change and will be confirmed with your final documents.

# China for all seasons

Our tours cover the length and breadth of China. Depending on the time of year and where you travel, you may experience two or more seasons as you journey through the country.

BEIJING			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	-9	2	3
Feb	-6	5	5
Mar	0	12	8
Apr	8	20	21
May	14	26	34
Jun	19	30	78
Jul	22	31	185
Aug	21	30	160
Sep	15	26	46
Oct	8	19	22
Nov	0	10	7
Dec	-6	4	3

SHANGHAI			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	1	8	76
Feb	2	8	44
Mar	5	13	118
Apr	11	19	63
May	16	24	85
Jun	20	27	212
Jul	25	32	142
Aug	25	32	230
Sep	21	27	76
Oct	15	22	64
Nov	9	17	43
Dec	2	11	34

XIAN			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	-4	5	7
Feb	-1	8	10
Mar	4	14	29
Apr	10	21	43
May	14	26	60
Jun	19	31	54
Jul	22	32	99
Aug	21	31	71
Sep	16	25	92
Oct	10	20	60
Nov	3	12	24
Dec	-3	6	6

CHENGDU			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	3	9	8
Feb	5	11	12
Mar	8	16	20
Apr	13	22	44
May	17	26	79
Jun	21	28	107
Jul	22	30	225
Aug	22	30	201
Sep	19	26	119
Oct	15	21	35
Nov	10	16	16
Dec	5	11	5

GUILIN			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	5	12	63
Feb	7	13	97
Mar	10	16	137
Apr	16	23	247
May	20	27	352
Jun	23	30	347
Jul	25	33	231
Aug	25	33	173
Sep	22	30	82
Oct	17	27	86
Nov	12	20	64
Dec	7	15	43

KUNMING			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	2	15	16
Feb	4	17	16
Mar	6	21	20
Apr	10	24	24
May	14	24	97
Jun	17	24	181
Jul	17	24	202
Aug	16	24	204
Sep	15	23	119
Oct	12	20	79
Nov	7	17	42
Dec	3	15	12

HONG KONG			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	14	19	23
Feb	14	19	48
Mar	17	21	67
Apr	20	25	162
May	24	29	317
Jun	27	30	376
Jul	27	32	324
Aug	26	31	301
Sep	26	30	300
Oct	23	28	145
Nov	19	24	35
Dec	15	21	27

LHASA			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	-9	7	1
Feb	-6	9	2
Mar	-2	13	3
Apr	2	16	6
May	6	20	28
Jun	10	23	71
Jul	10	23	117
Aug	10	21	121
Sep	8	20	69
Oct	2	17	9
Nov	-4	12	2
Dec	-8	8	1

## Beijing

Beijing's climate, like the city itself, is ever changing. Winter is cold, but with crisp blue skies and fewer visitors. Spring and autumn are the most popular times to visit as the weather is warmer but with cloudier skies.

## Shanghai

Shanghai's weather can be split into four distinct seasons – a warm spring, a hot and rainy summer, cooler weather in autumn and a cold winter. Being next to the sea, Shanghai experiences more rain than the rest of China.

## Xian

Xian experiences a hot and rainy summer, a cold, clear and dry winter, and short rain showers in spring and autumn. Xian's weather is generally pleasant year round.

## Chengdu

Chengdu's weather is characteristically foggy and humid, with a long and warm spring; a short and hot summer, a cool autumn and a cold winter. July and August are the rainiest months.

## Guilin

Guilin's southern location blesses it with mild weather on average. Spring is hot, while summer is rainy, humid and foggy. Autumn is cool and pleasant, and winter can be breezy with occasional drizzle rainiest months.

## Kunming

Kunming justly lives up to its name as the 'Spring City' of China – with weather like spring most of the year, it rarely experiences cold winters or the extreme heat of summer.

## Hong Kong

Hong Kong's subtropical location means it experiences pleasant temperatures year round. Spring is warm and humid, summer is hot and rainy, autumn is sunny and clear, and winter is cooler and dry.

## Lhasa

Lhasa's altitude is the main factor influencing its climate. With cold winters and mild summers, the valley that it sits in protects it from more extreme weather. July, August and September sees the highest amount of rain annually, though Lhasa actually receives nearly 3,000 hours of sunshine a year!



# Your China questions answered

A selection of our most frequently asked questions.

## BEFORE YOU TRAVEL



Cuddly panda, Chengdu

**Q. How soon after making our booking will we receive confirmation?**

**A.** Once we have received your deposit we will send your confirmation documents.

**Q. Do you send us information about the destinations we will visit?**

**A.** It is essential that you read the relevant Tour Dossier before booking, which you can find on [wendywutours.com.au](http://wendywutours.com.au) or we can arrange for one to be sent to you. If there are any particular challenges such as the length of time spent on your feet, journey times or accommodation standards, they will be explained in these concise trip notes. Two weeks before you travel, you will receive a detailed day-by-day itinerary, a travel guide and phrasebook as well as a suggested packing list with your final documents.

**Q. Will I know which hotels I will be staying in before I go?**

**A.** Hotel details will be sent with your final documents. Note that these may be subject to change. Hotels generally range from 3-4 stars. In more remote areas, accommodation may be of a lower standard and may not have all western amenities. Rest assured that all hotels used by Wendy Wu Tours are regularly inspected by our staff and our partners to ensure that standards meet your needs. If you require an early check-in or late check-out for your arrival and departure days, please contact us.

**Q. How do I get my visa?**

**A.** The cost of your visa is nearly always included in the price of your tour (Australian passport). Simply send us your passport, completed visa application form and passport size photos 75 days before departure, along with final payment and we aim to have them sent back to you with your final documentation two weeks prior to departure. If you require your passport back earlier, please let us know so that we can arrange for an express visa service at an additional charge. Passports or visa application forms received six weeks or less before departure will automatically incur an express visa fee. Wendy Wu Tours does not accept responsibility for lost or undelivered items. Personal collection or courier services are available on request. Please note that visa regulations can change at any time, therefore please refer to our website for up-to-date information. Please note that visa regulations can change at any time, therefore please refer to our website for up-to-date information.

**Q. Do I need travel insurance?**

**A.** We strongly recommend 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. What vaccinations do I need?**

**A.** Vaccination requirements often change, therefore for up-to-date information please seek your doctor's advice. You may also

need to comply with local requirements to undertake COVID-19 tests.

**Q. What size are your tour groups?**

**A.** The group size on our Classic Tours is on average around 21 passengers, with a maximum group size 28. On our Go Beyond Tours and exclusive Solo Departures the average group size is around 14 and the maximum is 18. You may meet other tour groups travelling concurrently. On our group tours we operate a seat-and-a-half policy, allowing you to travel in greater comfort.

**Q. Do you run guaranteed departures?**

**A.** Group tours are guaranteed to run subject to a minimum of 8 passengers. A National Escort will accompany each group of 10 or more. We will endeavour to run groups of a smaller size if viable to do so.

**Q. As a single traveller, will I have to pay a single supplement?**

**A.** We offer two ways to avoid paying a single supplement. The first is to book onto one of our Solo Departures, which are reserved exclusively for solo travelers and have single occupancy of a double room built into the tour price (along with other features like free chauffeur airport transfers, free access to an airport lounge in Sydney, Brisbane and Melbourne and a drinks reception on arrival). The second is to choose our 'Happy to Share' option, where you don't have to pay a single supplement if you are willing to share with another tour member of the same gender. You will be introduced to your share partner on arrival at the start of the tour. Happy to Share is on request when booking less than 75 days before departure. Alternatively a private room of your own is available on any of our tours at an extra cost. Please check the tour pages or our website for details.

**Q. What is the maximum luggage allowance on your tours?**

**A.** Your main suitcase or backpack must not exceed 20kg and your hand luggage must not exceed 5kg as this is the maximum allowance on internal flights.

**Q. What currency should I take?**

**A.** We recommend you take US dollars as well as the local currency and a credit/debit card. We do not recommend travellers cheques. Please ensure you have sufficient funds to pay for personal expenses such as drinks, snacks, souvenirs, additional tipping and optional extras.

**Q. When is the best time to visit China?**

**A.** China is a year-round destination. While spring and autumn are the most popular months to visit, many people enjoy tours at other times of the year when there are fewer tourists.

## WHILE ON TOUR



**Q. When are Chinese public holidays?**

**A.** Chinese New Year is on 2 February 2021 and 1 February 2022. Their Golden Week public holidays fall annually between 1-3 May and 1-7 October. Celebrations last for several days and during this time, some businesses will be closed. Tour attractions will be open but may be crowded.

**Q. How fit do I need to be?**

**A.** Our Group Tours are graded on each page to reflect the level of fitness required. The specific reasons for a particular grading for each tour are clearly described in the Tour Dossiers which you can find on our website. Please contact us if you require any advice. Our range of Private Tours is more flexible and may better cater for individual needs. Ask us for more details.

**Q. What does escorted touring mean?**

**A.** Every Group Tour which has 10 or more passengers travelling will be accompanied by a National Escort from when you land at the airport to when you depart. On multi-country tours different National Escorts are used in each country. Our optional extensions 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. Private Tours are not accompanied by a National Escort, but will be accompanied by knowledgeable Local Guides in each location.

**Q. What sort of vehicles do you use?**

**Air:** Internal flights are based on economy class, with reputable airlines.

**Road:** Coaches with air conditioning are used on our group tours for city sightseeing, short

excursions to the countryside and longer transfers where necessary. On our private tours, we use air-conditioned vehicles suitable for the size of the party.

**Water:** Ships or boats are used on tours which have a cruising element, from large ships on the Yangtze River to smaller boats on the Li River, Grand Canal and West Lake. To undertake these excursions, you will need to be capable of boarding and disembarking from these boats, sometimes without assistance and/or handrails.

**Rail:** Trains are used on some tours. Where there is an overnight journey we use the best available soft sleeper trains. Each compartment is shared by four people (not necessarily Wendy Wu Tours passengers). There is a western-style toilet at one end of the carriage and an Asian style toilet at the other end. The beds and cabins are basic with clean linen provided and there are neither showers nor a dining car. The trains are generally clean; however, you cannot expect western standards. Where bullet trains are used you may have to carry and store your own luggage – the National Escort will assist where possible.

**Q. Is there a dress code on your tours?**

**A.** Our dress code is very relaxed; however, please note that clothing covering the arms and legs is more appropriate when visiting religious buildings.

**Q. Are meals included?**

**A.** All meals (excluding beverages) are included in our group tours except where stated. Please note that in remote areas, meals may be basic or repetitive.

Meals included in Go Beyond Tours are stated in the itinerary and include several free evenings, offering flexibility for those who wish to explore local restaurants. If all meals are included they will start with dinner on the day of arrival and finish with breakfast on the normal day of departure. Any additional meals will be at your own expense and no refund will be made for any meals missed. You will sample a range of local cuisine with occasional western meals, and meals are usually taken at local restaurants.

**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 local conditions. Such options are at an additional cost, with prices usually per person. This is paid in cash (local currency) to the guide on the day of the optional excursion - just ask your guide if you need to visit a cash machine before touring for that day commences.

**Q. Is tap water safe to drink?**

**A.** We strongly recommend that you drink bottled water only.

**Q. Can special requests be arranged?**

**A.** If you have any special requests such as dietary requirements, or if you wish to celebrate an event, please notify us at the time of booking and we will do everything possible to ensure your requests are met. Please note that special requests cannot be guaranteed.

**Q. What is the flying time to China?**

**A.** Approx. 11-12 hours to Beijing (if flying direct).





**Q. Do you allow children on your tours?**

**A.** We allow children 12 years and over on our Classic group tours and welcome children aged 8 years and over on our In Pursuit of Pandas tour on page 16. The minimum age on our our China in Style tour is 18 years. Alternatively, our Private tours (see our website) offer greater flexibility whilst on tour and are suitable for any age group.

**Q. Will I be travelling with passengers from other countries?**

**A.** Our passengers generally enjoy the mixture of Australian, British and New Zealand clients on tour. Occasionally we are joined by English- speaking passengers from other countries.

**Q. What is the average age on your group tours?**

**A.** The average age range is 40-65. Younger and older passengers travel with us too.

**Q. What hours of the day do your tours operate?**

**A.** They generally start about 8am and end shortly after your evening meal. Occasionally earlier starts are required to meet flight departures.

**Q. How close can I get to the giant pandas?**

**A.** If your tour includes a visit to see giant pandas, you will usually get close enough for a good photo opportunity.

**Q. Which cabins are used on your Yangtze River Cruise vessels?**

**A.** We use outward facing en suite cabins with balconies. Please see our website for an overview of our Yangtze River Cruises.

**Q. How do standards abroad compare with Australia?**

**A.** We will do our best 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. Travelling abroad involves new places and new experiences 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. Is portage included?**

**A.** Portage is included on our group tours to China (from the coach to the lobby of each hotel). Full portage is included from the coach to your hotel room on our China in Style tour. Where available, a portage service is included at major train stations, however this is not offered in more rural parts of China and you may be required to carry your own luggage.

**Q. How does the tipping system work on your tours?**

**A.** Tipping is expected in China. 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, and based on many years of experience, 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 (and will be advised again in your final documents).

**If you are taking a tour without a Yangtze Cruise,** tipping will be collected by your National Escort on arrival and distributed throughout the tour on your behalf.

**If you are taking a tour which includes a Yangtze Cruise,** the total amount listed on the tour pages will be collected in two parts:

- 1) An amount paid to your National Escort on arrival, as above.
- 2) A separate service levy in to be paid upon boarding the Cruise vessel.

Any additional tipping on any of our tours is welcomed at your discretion. Please feel free to tip restaurant staff, porters, or river guides if they performed a special service for you. For tours with fewer than 10 passengers, tipping will be slightly higher than stated on the group tour pages. On Private Tours and Extensions, we will advise recommended amounts.

**The specific amounts for tipping contributions will be outlined in your final documentation.**

## COVID-19 Precautions

We have established a set of firm but practical safety requirements for our overseas partners to follow in 2021 and for as long as COVID-19 is a threat. These are designed to help protect you as well as our local teams of drivers, guides, National Escorts and others. Guided by the UNWTO (United Nations World Tourism Organisation) and WTTC (World Travel & Tourism Council) as well as local government regulations, our safety protocols cover all aspects of touring, be it travelling, sightseeing, mealtimes or your hotel stays. Measures include personal protection, extensive disinfecting and social distancing. Please see our website for full details, as these are likely to change and evolve over time. Needless to say, for your own protection you will be expected to follow the rules and regulations laid down by the health authorities in your host destination. Rest assured that we will do everything possible to keep you safe on your holiday, while also helping you enjoy every moment along the way!

## WeCare – Health & Safety

The enjoyment of your holiday is our highest priority. Wendy Wu Tours is a fully insured and bonded tour operator with comprehensive public liability cover. Working closely with an independent health and safety organisation, we are proactive in our approach by ensuring that hotels used on our group tours regularly undergo comprehensive fire safety, security and hygiene audits. In the unlikely event of a problem or emergency on tour, Wendy Wu Tours has a Crisis Management process in place to support all of our customers. We also have a dedicated 24 hour emergency support number.



# Booking your trip

We want to make it as straightforward as possible to book your Wendy Wu holiday. It should be as simple as 1-2-3.

## 1. Choose your tour

Select from this brochure or browse our website to see our full range of award-winning tours and choose the style of travel that suits you. You will also find detailed information in our tour dossiers to make sure the tour is appropriate for you.

## 2. Speak to an expert

Get in touch with one of our expert travel consultants who will be able to answer any of your questions, check availability instantly and confirm prices.

## 3. Make a booking

Did you know you can book most of our tours on our website? Otherwise give us a call or visit your preferred travel agent to pay a deposit of \$300pp to secure your booking. A second payment will be required to secure your flights. The balance of your payment is due 75 days before departure and you will be issued with your travel tickets and documentation approximately two to three weeks before travel.



# Your loyalty matters

Many of our customers enjoy the Wendy Wu Tours experience so much that they travel with us again and again and are happy to 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 and Go Beyond group tours, as well as dedicated Solo departures, but are not applicable for Tailor-Made Holidays 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.

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Terms and conditions apply. Refer to our website for full details.



## WENDY WU TOURS BOOKING CONDITIONS

The following booking conditions ('Booking Conditions') form the basis of your contract with Wendy Wu Tours Pty Ltd, of Level 19, 15 Castlereagh St, Sydney, Australia. ATAS: A10517. ABN: 87 082 688 202. Please read them carefully before making a booking request as they set out our respective rights and obligations. By making a booking request, you acknowledge that you have read and understood the Booking Conditions as well as the specific day to day demands of your chosen tour and agree to be bound by them.

These Booking Conditions only apply to holiday arrangements which you book with us in Australia and which we agree to make, provide, or perform (as applicable) as part of our contract with you. All references in these booking conditions to "holiday", "booking", "contract", "package", "tour" or "arrangements" mean such holiday arrangements unless otherwise stated. In these booking conditions, "you", "your", "customer" or "passenger" means each person named on a booking request (including anyone who is added or substituted at a later date) or any of them as the context requires. "We", "us" and "our" means Wendy Wu Tours Pty Ltd. Please note that we reserve the right to change these Booking Conditions at any time prior to you placing a booking request. The latest version of our Booking Conditions is published at [wendywutours.com.au](http://wendywutours.com.au). It is your obligation to review the latest version of our Booking Conditions prior to making a booking request.

**YOUR HOLIDAY CONTRACT** The first named person on a booking request ("Lead Traveller") promises that s/he is authorised to request a booking subject to these Booking Conditions by all persons named in the booking request and by the parents or guardians for any party member who is under 18 when the booking request is made. The Lead Traveller is responsible for making all payments due under a booking by all party members. The Lead Traveller must be at least 18 when the booking is requested. After we receive your booking request and all appropriate payments (see "Reservation and Deposit" below), if the arrangements you wish to book are available, we will issue a confirmation invoice. A binding agreement will come into existence between us when we email your confirmation invoice to the 'Lead Traveller' or the travel agent through whom the booking was requested.

**OUR SERVICES** We commence providing services to you as soon as soon as we issue your confirmation invoice. This includes (often significantly) work undertaken prior to travel to arrange and coordinate the delivery of your travel arrangements. The services we provide to you are limited to (a) the arrangement and coordination of your travel arrangements; and (b) the delivery of travel arrangements which we directly control (if any).

**YOUR DETAILS** Passenger names must be provided exactly as per passport, including middle names, at the time of booking. A copy of your passport is required at the time of booking. Any spelling corrections made after a deposit is paid must be sent in writing. If you do not advise the correct information and we have to re-issue airline tickets or other documentation, then you will be responsible for any fees charged (such as airline cancellation charges or re-issue fees) in addition to our own reasonable administration fees.

**YOUR OBLIGATION TO CHECK DETAILS** Please check your confirmation invoice carefully as soon as you receive it. Contact us immediately if any information which appears on the confirmation invoice or any other document appears to be incorrect or incomplete as it may not be possible to make changes later. We regret we cannot accept any liability if we are not notified of any inaccuracies (for which we are responsible) in any document within ten days of our sending it out (five days for tickets). We will do our best to rectify any mistake notified to us outside these time limits, but you must meet any costs involved in doing so. If you wish to change or cancel any arrangements later, you may have to pay an amendment or cancellation charge (See "Amendments by You" & "Cancellations by You" below).

**PRICES** General: Prices and services are subject to availability of tour, airline, and specific economy airfare. Prices may differ once a preferred booking class is sold out. Prices stated are in Australian Dollars (\$AUD) and are current at the time of publication. The most up to date pricing is available on our website. The price includes international flights, accommodation, transportation and other inclusions as per the published itinerary. Wendy Wu Tours reserves the right to release specials which are applicable to new bookings only. We also reserve the right to correct any obvious 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. Costs associated with passports, vaccinations, insurance, meals (other than those stipulated), emergency evacuation costs, gratuities, and all items of a personal nature are not included.

Itinerary Deviations: All fully inclusive Classic Tour or Go Beyond Tour 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 Charges: In addition to the cost of any airfares, airlines also charge an additional levy to cover the ever-increasing 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.

Price Surcharges: We reserve the right to surcharge the cost of your booked travel arrangements prior to commencement for

circumstances beyond our control such as currency devaluation, fuel or air fare surcharges, or the imposition of new or amended Government charges. We will not surcharge for currency fluctuations once full payment has been received by us.

**PAYMENTS** Deposit: You are required to pay a deposit of \$300 per person (or full payment if booking within 75 days of commencement of your travel arrangements) to Wendy Wu Tours or your travel agent within three days of you making your booking request. Please note that we may not hold any services for you until we receive payment of your deposit, meaning that services may become unavailable or prices may increase, in which case you will be responsible for paying the increased price, and we will not be responsible if services become unavailable. In some cases the amount of the deposit may be higher where, for example, we need to pre-purchase flight tickets, accommodation or other services and in the case of our flight upgrade special offers, to which early airline ticketing may apply – please see the terms and conditions of individual special offers for further information. This will be advised at the time of quotation.

Balance Payment: The final balance of the travel arrangements is due no later than 75 days prior to the confirmed tour commencement date. Air tickets are issued upon receiving final payment only. If we do not receive all payments due in full and on time, we are entitled to assume that you have cancelled your booking, and cancellation fees will apply (See "Cancellations by You" below). Wendy Wu Tours reserves the right to request a partial payment of the final balance more than 75 days prior to departure to cover the cost of earlier ticketing should it be requested by the airlines, or tickets issued by our overseas operators due to airline ticketing time limits.

Card Processing Fees: Please note that any payments made by credit or debit card are subject to a 1.2% processing fee, which represents the cost charged to us to process the payment.

Tailor-Made Quotations: For Tailor-made itineraries, the first two quotes are complimentary. After this, we reserve the right to request a non-refundable commitment fee of \$100.00 per person. This will be deducted from your required deposit amount at the time of confirmation.

**SPECIAL REQUESTS** If you have any special requests, you must inform us prior to booking. Although we will endeavour to pass any reasonable requests on to the relevant supplier, we regret we cannot guarantee any request will be met. Failure to meet any special request will not be a breach of contract on our part. Confirmation that a special request has been noted or passed on to the supplier or the inclusion of the special request on your confirmation invoice or any other documentation is not confirmation that the request will be met. Unless and until specifically confirmed, all special requests are subject to availability. Unless you receive written confirmation from the supplier that a special request will be complied with, you must assume that it will not be. The responsibility for providing the special request lies solely with the supplier and not with Wendy Wu Tours. We regret we cannot accept any conditional bookings, i.e. any booking which is specified to be conditional on the fulfilment of a particular request. All such bookings will be treated as "standard" bookings subject to the above provisions on special requests.

**AMENDMENTS BY YOU** We will endeavour to accommodate amendments and additional requests. You acknowledge that these may not be possible to fulfil, and for group departures a transfer of a booking to a different departure is deemed a cancellation. An amendment fee of \$50 per change will be levied to cover communication and administration costs for any changes to bookings. You will also be required to pay any additional costs charged by suppliers. Please note that airfares are subject to strict airline policies and booking fare rules. Special airfares that require early ticketing may be non-refundable and non-changeable. Once a booking is confirmed, any name change, or passenger change will incur additional charges and/or may be deemed a cancellation of the airfare.

**AMENDMENTS BY US** Prior to travel: Occasionally, we may need to make amendments or modifications to the itinerary and its inclusions and you acknowledge our right to do this. If we become aware of a significant change to your itinerary or its inclusions prior to the commencement of your trip (where the trip can still proceed), then we will notify you within a reasonable time and give you the choice to accept the change, to receive a refund of the land portion of your trip or to accept an alternative trip if offered.

During travel: You acknowledge that the itinerary, modes of transport, accommodation and/or the trip's inclusions may need to change during your trip due to local circumstances beyond our reasonable control, including road conditions, poor weather, changes in transport schedules, and/or vehicle breakdowns.

General: To the fullest extent permitted by law, we will not be responsible for any omissions or modifications to the itinerary or the inclusions due to Force Majeure or other circumstances beyond our control happening after we have accepted your booking. This includes any loss of enjoyment or distress caused by omissions or modifications. If you are entitled to any

compensation for any modifications or omissions, then you agree it will be reduced by the value of any alternative services we provide which you accept. We will not be responsible to you for any expenses or loss you incur in connection with your booking resulting from any amendment or change to the itinerary or its inclusions.

**CANCELLATION BY YOU** General: all cancellations must be made in writing to Wendy Wu Tours and will be subject to the following cancellation charges (subject to any additional charges for air or rail tickets as referred to below) from the date the written cancellation is received:

- More than 75 days prior to departure; loss of deposit
- Between 74 and 59 days prior to departure; 25% of total cost
- Between 58 and 46 days prior to departure; 50% of total cost
- 45 days or less prior to departure 100% of total cost
- Any 'no show'; 100% of total cost

Airfare & Rail Tickets: If airline and rail tickets have been issued, the rules of the fare airfare will determine cancellation and/or amendment charges. Note that it is often the case the air and rail tickets once issued are non-refundable. You agree that these cancellation charges are reasonable, represent a genuine pre-estimate of our loss and are required to protect our legitimate business interests. For group departures, a transfer of a confirmed booking to another departure date is deemed to be cancellation of the original booking. Following the commencement of your tour, no refunds will be made for any services which you choose not to use or which you cannot use for any reason other than a reason within our control. Regrettably, cancellation charges and fees cannot be waived. There can be no exceptions. 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 US** Minimum Numbers: Wendy Wu Tours reserves the right to cancel or vary a tour prior to departure due to insufficient numbers. We will advise you no less than 60 days prior to your tour commencement if minimum numbers have not been achieved. Please see the 'General' section below for your rights in this circumstance.

Force Majeure - Prior to travel: If your travel arrangements cannot proceed due to flood, earthquake, war or civil strife, acts of terrorism, hurricane, cyclone, industrial disturbance, strike, fire, lock-out, epidemic, pandemic, failure or delays of scheduled transportation, or any law, order, decree, rule or regulation of any government authority (including quarantine requirements or government travel advisories), or for any other reason beyond our reasonable control (Force Majeure), we may elect to:

- reschedule your travel arrangements, in which case we will issue you with a credit equal to amounts paid; or
- cancel your travel arrangements, in which case our contract with you will terminate.

If we cancel your travel arrangements, neither of us will have any claim for damages against the other. However, we will refund payments made by you less unrecoverable third party costs and less fair compensation for work undertaken by us up until the time of termination and in connection with the processing of any refund.

Force Majeure - During travel: If we cancel your travel arrangements after your trip has commenced due to Force Majeure, we will provide you with a refund of recoverable third party costs only.

General: If we provide you with any alternative services or assistance where travel arrangements are cancelled due to Force Majeure, then you agree the amount to be refunded to you will be reduced by the value of these services and assistance. If we cancel your travel arrangements for reasons beyond Force Majeure (including if minimum numbers are not achieved), you will be offered (at your election) a refund of all funds paid (less visa cost), or the offer of a trip of substantially equal or better quality if appropriate. We will not be responsible to you for any expenses or loss you incur in connection with your booking if your travel arrangements are rescheduled or cancelled whether or not due to Force Majeure.

**JOINING YOUR TOUR** 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. If you have booked a land only option, please email a copy of your flight schedule and passport copy at time of final payment so we can arrange transfers and visas.

**ILLNESS** If due to any illness, suspected illness or failure to satisfy any required tests (such as a temperature test in relation to Covid-19):

- an airline or other common carrier refuses you carriage;
- a hotel or vessel refuses to accommodate you; or
- we or our suppliers (acting reasonably) exclude you from the trip and you are consequently prevented from commencing or continuing your trip, then:
- if you have already commenced your trip, we will provide you with reasonable assistance to arrange alternative travel arrangements or to continue the trip. This will be at your cost.
- if you have not commenced your trip then we regret we will not be in a position to provide such assistance.

We will not be liable to refund the cost of your trip (or any part of it) because we would have already paid (or committed to pay) suppliers and we would have already performed significant work preparing for the delivery of your trip and servicing your booking. We will not be responsible to you for any loss or expenses incurred in connection with your booking (for example, airfares and visa expenses) if you are prevented from commencing or continuing your trip in these circumstances.

**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. You will not be entitled to any refund for unused services and you will be responsible for any additional costs you incur.

**HOTELS** Hotel descriptions featured on our website are based on current hotel guides provided by suppliers. 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. We reserve the right to substitute hotels, vessels and other forms of accommodation with properties or vessels of a comparable or higher standard.

**TRAVEL INSURANCE** We strongly recommend that you take out a policy as soon as you pay your deposit. Wendy Wu Tours cannot in any way be made liable for any additional cost incurred by the customer on any tour due to the customer not having adequate travel insurance.

**HEALTH REQUIREMENTS** All customers are required to familiarise themselves with any health requirements specific to the countries being visited. Any pre-existing dietary requirement/food allergy; disability; medical, health, physical, psychological, or behavioural condition ('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 health conditions, 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 health 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 if you are prevented from participating on a tour due to a health condition. You will be responsible for making alternative arrangements to accommodate any health 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 upon return to Australia 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 and Go Beyond 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), you will be required to pay an urgent visa processing fee, which we will advise at the time. Unless otherwise requested your passport will be returned to you with final documentation approximately two to three 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.

Late Bookings: If a booking is made within 75 days prior to departure it is considered a late booking. Late bookings may 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.

**SINGLE TRAVELLERS** When booking more than 80 days prior to departure, single travellers on fully inclusive Classic Tours and Go Beyond Tours may avoid paying the Single Supplements by opting to travel on a 'happy to share' basis. Wendy Wu Tours will endeavour to match 'happy 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 at no extra charge. 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 more than 75 days prior to the tour departure date, the option to select 'happy to share' will apply if it is available on the selected tour. Our dedicated solo departures are guaranteed a single room with no additional supplement and do not have a 'happy to share' option.

**SEATBELTS** Please note that seatbelts are not compulsory by law in all 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 claims.

**INDEPENDENT ACTIVITIES & EXCURSIONS** We may provide you with information (before departure and/or when you are on holiday) about activities and excursions which are available in the area you are visiting. We have no involvement in any such activities or excursions which are neither run, supervised nor controlled in any way by us. They are provided by local operators or other third parties who are entirely independent of us. They do not form any part of your contract with us even where we suggest particular operators/other third parties and/or assist you in booking such activities or excursions in any way. We cannot accept any liability on any basis in relation to such activities or excursions and the acceptance of liability contained in our booking conditions will not apply to them. We do not however exclude liability for the negligence of ourselves or our employees resulting in your death or personal injury. We cannot guarantee accuracy at all times of information given in relation to such activities or excursions or about the area you are visiting generally or that any particular excursion or activity which does not form part of our contract will take place as these services are not under our control. If you feel that any of the activities or excursions referred to in our brochure, on our website and in our other advertising material which are not part of our contract are vital to the enjoyment of your holiday, write to us immediately and we will tell you the latest known situation. If we become aware of any material alterations to area information and/or such outside activities or excursions which can reasonably be expected to affect your decision to book a holiday with us, we will pass on this information at the time of booking.

**SOLO DEPARTURE 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 50 driven kilometers from the nearest international airport. Up to 10 extra kilometers 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.

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**ACCEPTANCE OF RISK** You acknowledge that travel involves personal risks which may be greater than those present in your everyday life. This could be as a result of the adventurous nature of your trip or the visiting of destinations which present geographical, political or cultural risks and dangers. You should consult guidance issued by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) applicable to the destinations within your itinerary. You acknowledge that your choice to travel is made having had the benefit of DFAT guidance, and you accept any additional personal risks associated with your travel. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we disclaim any liability for these risks.

**RESPONSIBILITY** Services supplied by independent suppliers: Where a third party over whom we have no direct control (Independent Supplier) is the supplier of travel arrangements that form part of your trip, you acknowledge that our obligations to you are limited to taking reasonable steps to select a reputable Independent Supplier and arranging for them to provide those travel arrangements to you. Independent Suppliers over whom we have no direct control include but are not limited to airlines, railway and cruise operators, hoteliers, independent transport

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Services we directly supply: To the extent only that we are the principal supplier to you of travel arrangements or other services which we control, then we will provide those travel arrangements and services with reasonable skill and care. We will only be responsible for our employees in the course of their employment, and for our agents and suppliers (where we are not the supplier's agent or an intermediary for an Independent Supplier) if they were carrying out the work we had asked them to do. We will not be responsible for any loss, damage, claim or expense caused by the acts or omissions of yourself, of any other third party not connected with the provision of the travel arrangements or services, or due to an event of Force Majeure. While we endeavour to meet scheduled arrival and departure times, we cannot guarantee this. We will not be responsible for any loss or additional expenses you incur for any missed connections/ services attributable to delays.

General liability limitation: You acknowledge that travel arrangements or services which comply with local laws and regulations will be deemed to have been properly performed, even if this would not be considered the case in Australia. Australian Consumer Law and corresponding legislation in State jurisdictions in certain circumstances imply mandatory conditions and warranties into consumer contracts ("Consumer Warranties"). These Booking Conditions do not exclude or limit the application of the Consumer Warranties. Other than the Consumer Warranties, we disclaim all warranties. To the fullest extent permitted by law, our maximum liability to you under these Booking Conditions, in tort (including negligence) or at law is limited to arranging for the travel arrangements to be resupplied or payment of the cost of having the travel arrangements resupplied.

**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](mailto: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](http://wendywutours.com.au) or upon request.

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**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/help-and-advice/privacy-policy](http://wendywutours.com.au/help-and-advice/privacy-policy).

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