

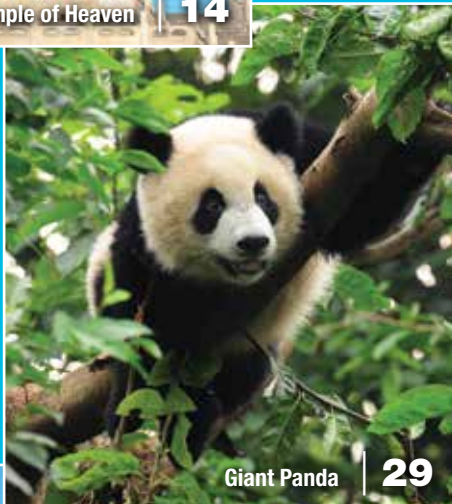
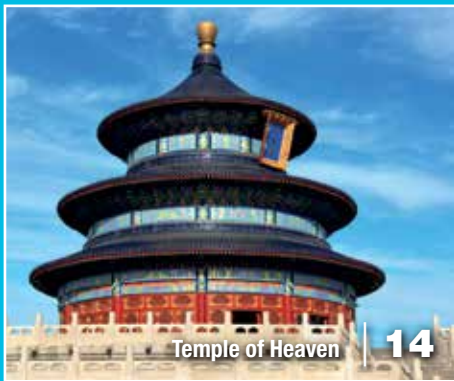
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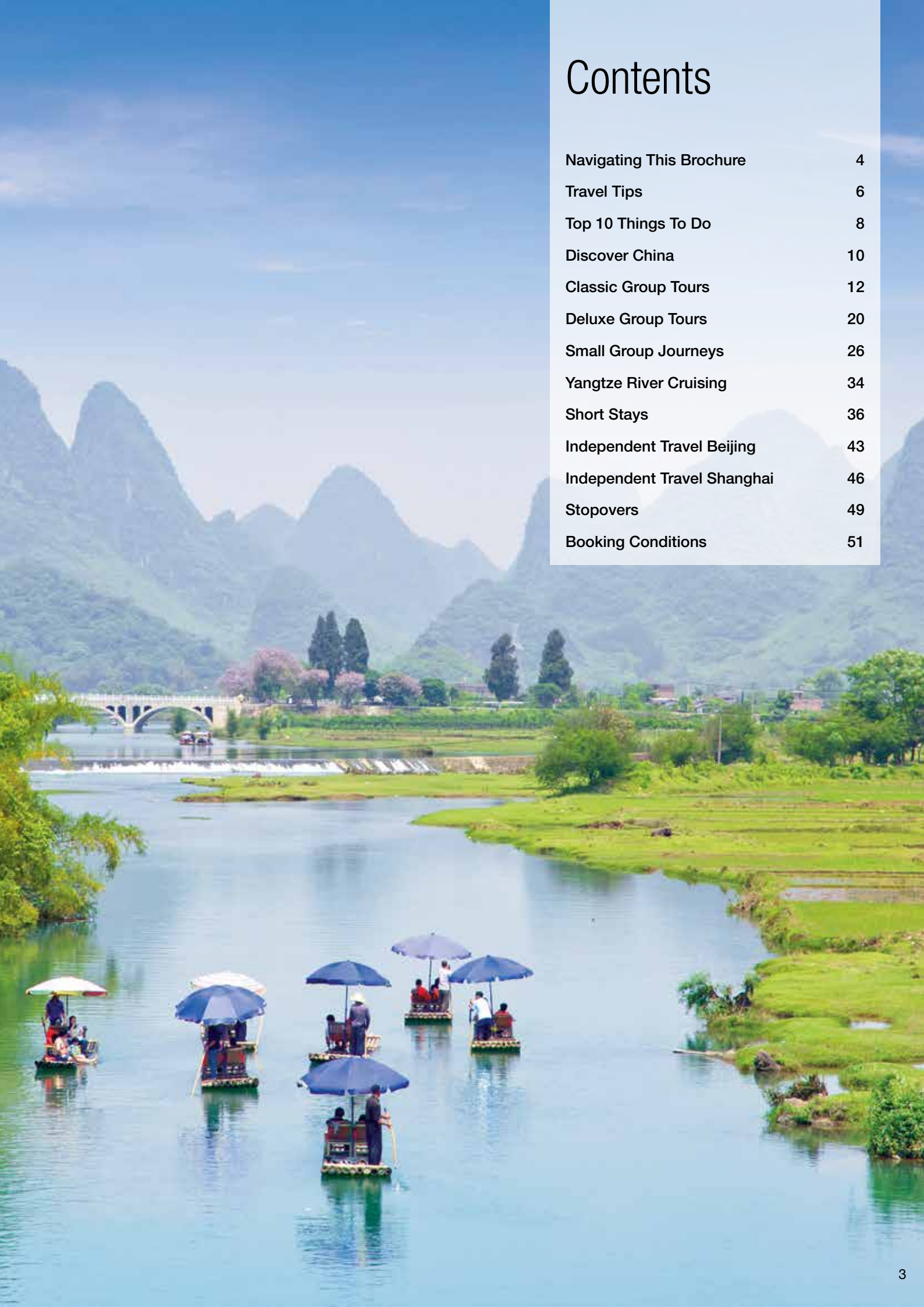
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Navigating This Brochure

Pricing Guide

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The advertised prices for Classic Group Tours, Deluxe Group Tours, Small Group Journeys and Short Stays are per person for the duration specified. The "From" price is based on the departure date advertised. Your travel agent will be able to provide prices for other departure dates. Mandatory tips are indicated on the Classic Group Tours and Deluxe Group Tours, and are payable direct to the National Escort on arrival in China in the local currency, as indicated on the listings.

Prices featured in accommodation listings are per person twin share for the period specified unless otherwise stated. The "From" price has been calculated using the lowest nightly rate available, i.e. lead-in room type in off-peak season including free night offers if applicable, even if that offer is only available for part of a season. A minimum stay is generally required. Where prices for more than a one night stay are featured, the prices refer to stays of consecutive nights. Ask your travel agent for the best price available, other room types or travel dates.

What the Symbols mean

Tour Grading



Comfortable: Accessible to most people with an average level of fitness and average mobility. Tours may involve sightseeing on foot, some climbing of stairs and getting on and off boats.



Moderate: Tours require a higher level of fitness and may include longer periods of sightseeing. Easy walking, high altitude and overnight train journeys may feature.



Active: Tours require a good level of fitness, as they are physically more demanding. They may involve hiking, and some travel to remote, high altitude areas where facilities are less developed.

Other Symbols



Properties offering free Wi-Fi access throughout the common areas and in rooms.



Properties offering in-room disabled facilities.



Suggested 'must do' tours of iconic destinations/attractions.

We love it! Refer to page 5 for details.

Accommodation Ratings

Diamond ratings are used throughout the brochure to describe the standard of accommodation. Properties featuring Diamond symbols do not participate in a recognised rating scheme. The rating is supplied by the individual property based on their own assessment. We recommend they be used as a guide only.

- ◆◆◆ Comfortable standard of accommodation
- ◆◆◆◆ Superior standard of accommodation and facilities
- ◆◆◆◆◆ Deluxe standard of accommodation and facilities
- ◇ Denotes additional half rating

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Forbidden City, Beijing

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To assist you, we've highlighted our most popular products booked by our customers. Just look for the We love it! symbol throughout this brochure.

Our customers love it and so will you!



Summer Palace, Beijing

Travel Tips



Shanghai

How to Get There

BY AIR From New Zealand you can fly to China with Air New Zealand, Singapore Airlines, Cathay Pacific, Qantas and China Southern. Your Travel Agent can advise you on the best airlines to get you there.

Getting Around

If domestic flights are included in the tours featured in this brochure, they are based on economy class travel. All road travel is in comfortable, air-conditioned vehicles. Depending on the location, the type and size of the boat used while cruising on the Yangtze River will vary (check your itinerary for details). Day train journeys are in second class soft seats. Chinese high-speed day trains are often referred to as bullet trains.

Visas & Passports

All travellers must carry a passport with at least six months validity beyond the end of their journey. All visitors require a visa which must be obtained before departing New Zealand. A multiple entry visa is required if you are intending to enter China from Hong Kong. Travellers must enter Tibet via China only and obtain a permit prior to travel. The Tibet Autonomous Region may be closed by the Chinese authorities at any given time without notice. Such closures may impact the ability to travel in or to Tibet. Travel advice is available from the New Zealand Government Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade at www.safetravel.govt.nz.

Currency

The currency in China and Tibet is known as the Renminbi (RMB). The standard unit is known as the yuan (CNY). Chinese currency is difficult to find outside of China, therefore USD or Australian currency is the best currency to take. It is not recommended to take New Zealand dollars. Notes should be in good condition or they may not be exchanged. Most credit cards are accepted in hotels and major restaurants.

Tipping

Tipping is customary in many cultures and is a firm and expected element in the tourism industry in Asia. Mandatory tips are required for Classic Group Tours and Deluxe Group Tours, as indicated on the listings. This tip is paid directly to the National Escort on arrival in China. For all other products featured in this brochure, tipping is at your discretion.

Language

The official language in China is Mandarin. There are also numerous dialects spoken throughout different parts of China, including Cantonese.

Electricity

220V 50Hz. Electric plugs come in at least four sizes throughout China. Two flat pin plug is common in most parts of the country. An adapter is required.

Weather Guide

Due to its size, China's weather conditions vary. From May to October, spring and autumn offer a pleasant climate. May to August in the centre and north can be hot and humid. Potential snowfall can occur in the north from December to March. April to September is generally hot, wet and humid in the south.

Temperature average	Winter	Summer
Beijing	-9°C to 5°C	19°C to 31°C
Shanghai	1°C to 11°C	25°C to 32°C
Xian	-4°C to 8°C	19°C to 32°C
Chengdu	3°C to 9°C	21°C to 30°C
Guilin	5°C to 15°C	23°C to 33°C
Lhasa, Tibet	-10°C to 9°C	9°C to 23°C

Rainfall average (mm)	Winter	Summer
Beijing	3 to 5	78 to 185
Shanghai	34 to 76	142 to 230
Xian	6 to 10	54 to 99
Chengdu	5 to 12	107 to 225
Guilin	43 to 97	173 to 347
Lhasa, Tibet	0.5 to 1	72 to 123

Events & Public Holidays

January

New Years Day	1st
Harbin International Ice and Snow Sculpture Festival	5th Jan-28th Feb
Golden Week	27th Jan-2nd Feb

February

Lantern Festival	11th
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April

Qingming Festival	2nd-4th
Grand Prix, Shanghai	8th-10th
Golden Week	30th Apr-4th May

May

Labour Day	1st
Dragon Boat Festival	28th-30th

August

Double Seventh Festival	28th
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October

National Day	1st
Golden Week	1st-8th
Mid-Autumn Festival	4th
Chongyang Festival	28th

Golden Week

China has three Golden Weeks in January/February, April/May and October. Locals tend to travel to other parts of the country for their holidays. During these times, attractions are at least three times busier than at other peak times, hotels are often booked out, and train and air tickets are in high demand. It is important for travellers to take these dates into consideration when planning to visit China, and have a full understanding of what to expect.

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Top 10 Things To Do



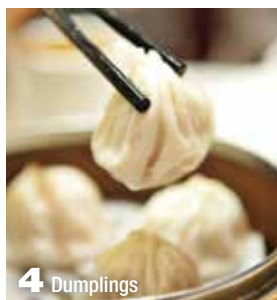
1 Great Wall of China



2 Yangtze River



3 Giant Pandas



4 Dumplings



5 Shanghai

1. Great Wall of China

Walk into history as you take your first step onto the Great Wall of China. This ancient wonder, stretching for thousands of kilometres from the Yellow Sea to the Gobi Desert, is a historical marvel offering magnificent views of the surrounding area. Venture to the less crowded Mutianyu section and be rewarded with dramatic vistas and restored watchtowers.

2. Yangtze River

Cruise along the meandering gorges of the Yangtze River as you marvel at dramatic landscapes, sheer cliff faces and magnificent scenery. Each cruise ship offers the opportunity to unpack just once, and experience the sights and sounds of this iconic waterway in style. Marvel at the enormous scale of the Three Gorges Dam Project which significantly increased the water levels within the area.

3. Giant Pandas

Nestled in China's Sichuan province is Chengdu, home of the Giant Pandas. Visit the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding and gain an insight into these amazing animals. Watch the young pandas playing and munching their way through piles of bamboo. You may even have the opportunity to see newborns in their incubators.

4. Cuisine

From Peking Duck and Sichuan hot pot to dumplings and handmade noodles, prepare your tastebuds to be taken on a journey as diverse as China itself. Enjoy delicious roast duck wrapped in delicate pancakes, fiery spices dance in your mouth with a traditional hot pot and dumplings of every variety will leave you spoilt for choice.

5. Shanghai

Futuristic skyscrapers meet colonial architecture in the captivating city of Shanghai. Known as the 'Pearl of the Orient', wander along the historic Bund riverfront, explore the old city and French concession, and find tranquillity at the Yu Garden.

6. Beijing

Home to towering new buildings and ancient hutongs, Beijing is a modern city with an ancient heart. Delve into Beijing's imperial past as you explore the incredible Forbidden City, marvel at the stunning Temple of Heaven and wander across the vast expanse of Tiananmen Square.

7. Tibet

Sitting on the roof top of the world, Lhasa is Tibet's spiritual capital overflowing with natural beauty and architectural grandeur. From snow-capped mountains and turquoise lakes to a spiritual culture of welcoming people, Tibet has long captured the imaginations of travellers. (see page 24 and 42 for details)

8. Army of Terracotta Warriors

Xian is home to the Army of Terracotta Warriors. Considered one of the most important archaeological finds of the last century, the life-sized statues were unearthed in 1974. Take time to spot the differences between each of the 8,000 intricately-carved unique statues.

9. Guilin, Longsheng & Yangshuo

Venture to Guilin and discover towering limestone mountains and tea plantations. Longsheng is home to spectacular rice terraces known as the Dragon's Backbone. Cruise along the Li River and marvel at the stunning limestone karst scenery and traditional rural scenes as you arrive into charming Yangshuo.

10. The Silk Road

Steeped in history, the exotic Silk Road is an ancient trading route stretching from Xian to Kashgar. From vast landscapes and endless sand dunes to rich history and diverse cultures, a journey along the Silk Road allows you to travel in the footsteps of past adventurers. Delve into Xian's history, gain an insight into Tibetan culture in Xiahe and experience the bustling atmosphere of Kashgar's Sunday Market. (see page 31 for details)



6 Temple of Heaven, Beijing



7 Potala Palace, Tibet



8 Army of Terracotta Warriors, Xian



9 Li River, Guilin

Our Local Secrets

Food lovers will enjoy...

Shanghai's delicious 'soup dumplings' Xiaolong Bao, the delicacies in Xian's Muslim Quarter flavoured with exotic spices and a vast array of street food at Beijing's Wangfujing night market.

For a glimpse into Beijing's art scene...

Visit the 798 Art Zone, an experiential art space which was created out of the rubble of a 1950s factory. The zone houses contemporary art galleries and installation spaces.

Early risers will love...

Exercising with the locals in Xian's City Park or taking a Tai Chi lesson with a local instructor along the banks of the Li River.

For the ultimate tea experience...

Visit a teahouse where locals congregate to chat over China's favourite brew. Chengdu is home to multiple teahouses including Laozhaiyuan, a 200 year old teahouse nestled in the 'Wide & Narrow Alleys' area of old Chengdu.

Find a bargain with the locals at...

Erdao Qiao Market in Urumqi. Immerse yourself in the chaos of this bustling market to find silk, carpets and taste local Uighur specialities.

For a great night out...

See a breathtaking acrobat show in Shanghai, enjoy a Kung Fu show in Beijing or marvel at the elaborate costumes and talent of the performers at the Sichuan Opera in Chengdu.

Support a local organisation and visit...

The Drogenling Centre in Lhasa, Tibet. This non-profit initiative supports local artisans through the sale of handcrafted clothing, children's toys and homewares.



Xian City Walls

A land brimming with ancient history, extraordinary beauty, endless energy and diverse culture, China is a captivating country just waiting to be explored. Discover the imperial city of Beijing, delve into the cosmopolitan atmosphere of Shanghai and count the Terracotta Warriors in Xian. Venture to the south and discover the Yangtze River, Giant Pandas and China's natural beauty in Guilin, Yangshuo and the Li River. Travel west along the Silk Road trading route to explore vast desert landscapes and ancient cultures or delve into the spiritual heart of Lhasa in Tibet. Discover a varied range of delicious cuisine from all corners of China as you taste everything from Peking Duck and dumplings to spicy hot pots and handmade noodles. A country of contrast, China offers you the opportunity to have an unforgettable holiday of a lifetime.

Experience the very best of China and join a group tour to uncover the highlights, hidden gems and fascinating culture of this remarkable country. Each traveller is unique and it's important that you select the right type of tour for you. Choose to travel on a Classic Group Tour, Deluxe Group Tour or Small Group Journey.

Classic Group Tours

Join a Classic Group Tour and see China's iconic attractions with a maximum of 29 travellers. Travel with the assurance that all your arrangements are taken care of including accommodation and all touring. You'll be accompanied by a dedicated and professional English-speaking Chinese National Escort, whose unparalleled knowledge and talent will turn your holiday into a magical and unforgettable experience. (see pages 12 to 19 for details)

Deluxe Group Tours

Discover China on a Deluxe Group Tour and enjoy a meticulously designed journey featuring truly distinctive and immersive experiences which bring each region to life. Travelling in groups of no more than 18, enjoy staying in hand-picked hotels, taking part in intimate touring experiences and indulging with sumptuous dining opportunities. (see pages 20 to 25 for details)

Small Group Journeys

A Small Group Journey offers you the chance to explore China like an insider with a blend of organised experiences and flexibility. Enjoy the best of both worlds as you travel with a local English-speaking guide and Western tour leader (when group size reaches seven or more). With an average of 12 and guaranteed maximum of 16 travellers, each tour offers you the opportunity to truly connect with the destination so you come home with stories to tell. (see pages 26 to 33 for details)



Beijing

An intriguing mix of ancient imperial dynasties, Beijing is China's capital and offers a wonderful window into the past. Nestled among towering modern buildings are attractions steeped in history and a maze of ancient hutong neighbourhoods. Discover the Imperial Palace, the Temple of Heaven and the Summer Palace. Marvel at the enormity of the Forbidden City and wander across Tiananmen Square. Venture from Beijing to explore the iconic man-made wonder, the Great Wall of China. Indulge your taste buds with the city's signature dish, Peking Duck or discover the tasty delights at the Wangfujing night market.



Xian

A melting pot of cultures, Xian is an ancient walled city. Xian is home to the Terracotta Army of Emperor Qin Shi Huang which is considered to be the most important archaeological find of the last century. Steeped in over 3,000 years of history, Xian has an impressive range of attractions. Ride a bicycle along the city walls, visit the Big Wild Goose Pagoda and discover the Bell Tower. Venture to the vibrant Muslim Quarter to see the Grand Mosque and wander the market. Located in the fertile Wei River valley, Xian also offers impressive shopping outlets and department stores.



Shanghai

Known as the 'Pearl of the Orient', Shanghai is a bustling commercial and cosmopolitan city. From the colonial architecture of the Bund riverfront to the futuristic skyscrapers of Pudong, two worlds collide in this captivating metropolis. Visit the picturesque Yu Garden, see locals doing Tai Chi in Fuxing Park and spend time marvelling at ancient Chinese artwork at the Shanghai Museum. Be spoilt for choice along Nanjing Road as you enter a shopper's paradise. Sample an amazing range of cuisine, visit vibrant upmarket bars and admire inspired architecture.



Zhujiajiao & Mt Huang (Yellow Mountain)

Venture from Shanghai to immerse yourself in the charming old world atmosphere of Zhujiajiao, a traditional water canal town. A network of waterways meander past old wooden houses, narrow laneways, and under stone arch bridges. A peaceful canal cruise is the perfect way to absorb the atmosphere of this century-old Chinese town. Discover the jagged peaks and natural beauty of World Heritage Listed Mt Huang (Yellow Mountain). At the summit, explore the bizarre rock formations and enjoy spectacular views.



Chengdu

Nestled in the picturesque Sichuan province, Chengdu is best known for the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding. The centre is considered to be one of the best places to see Giant Pandas in an environment closely resembling their natural habitat. Although rapidly developing, Chengdu has wonderful examples of backstreet life, teahouses and parks. Relax in a traditional teahouse with a traditional brew of tea, sample the spicy Sichuan cuisine or see a Sichuan Opera performance which is more like a cabaret than traditional opera.



Leshan

Leshan is home to the world's largest stone-carved Buddha which sits at the confluence of the Min, Dadu and Qingyi Rivers. Standing at 71 metres, the Buddha was built in AD713 under the instruction of a Buddhist monk, Haitong. Cruise along the river and be rewarded with the best views of the Buddha or climb to the bottom of the Buddha's feet and gain an appreciation of the statue's enormous size.



Yangtze River

As the longest river in China and the third largest river in the world, the Yangtze flows approximately 6,300 kilometres from the snow-capped mountain of Tanggula Shan in the Qinghai Tibet Plateau to the East China Sea in Shanghai. Cruise along the Yangtze River and experience an unforgettable journey through the magnificent and dramatic landscape of the Three Gorges. See the enormity of the Three Gorges Dam Project which raised the water level 70 to 100 metres.



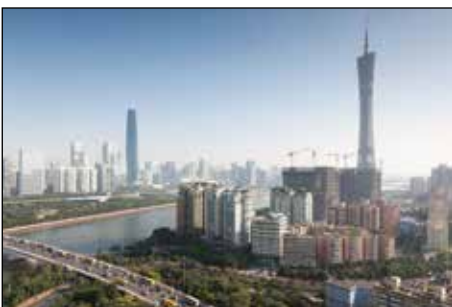
Chongqing & Dazu

As one of the gateways to the Yangtze River, Chongqing is the perfect place to begin your cruise and marvel at the Dazu cliff carvings. Discover the statues and carvings of the Dazu Caves which date from the 9th to 13th century with Buddhist, Taoist and Confucian influences. In Chongqing, explore Ciqikou ancient town which offers a glimpse into the area's heritage. Take the opportunity to try a local hot pot – a communal dining experience where a simmering pot of stock is placed on the table and you cook thinly sliced meat, vegetables and tofu.



Guilin, Yangshuo & Li River

The Guangxi Province is considered to be one of China's most picturesque regions. Guilin is famous for its stunning natural scenery. Breathtaking landscapes, limestone karst, vibrant rice paddies and crystal clear waters have inspired poets and artists for centuries. Guilin is the ideal place to view the famous Longji rice terraces at Longsheng before cruising along the stunning Li River to the picturesque town of Yangshuo. Spend time wandering the cobbled streets of this charming town.



Guangzhou

Set along the Pearl River, Guangzhou is an energetic port city with a wealth of lively restaurants, shops and bars. Guangzhou is China's third largest city and is known for its incredible shopping opportunities with goods available for sale at a fraction of the prices paid by travellers in their home countries. Located close to Hong Kong and Macau, the city has the highest number of restaurants per capita in China and offers a varied and authentic range of Cantonese dishes.



The Silk Road

Spanning over 6,000 kilometres, the Silk Road was one of the world's great trading routes which connected China to the outside world. Chinese, Indian, Persian, Roman and Arab traders plied their wares along the route which was named after the Chinese silk that was traded. Travelling from Xian to Kashgar, bring the adventure to life as you experience the cultures and religions on this incredible journey. Venture across desert landscapes, discover ancient Great Wall outposts and explore exotic bazaars, mosques and ruins. This incredible route continues to capture the imagination of travellers to this day.



Tibet

Fascinating travellers for centuries, Tibet is known as 'the roof of the world' where wild snow-capped mountains and deep valleys meet turquoise lakes and yak dotted plains. Uncover the mysteries of one of Asia's most inspiring destinations as you meet the charming people who have a unique and spiritual culture steeped in tradition. Visit Potala Palace, the winter palace of the Dalai Lama and explore the summer palace of Norbulingka. See traditionally dressed locals, browse the stalls of religious trinkets and taste local Tibetan cuisine.

Classic Group Tours



Temple of Heaven, Beijing

Is a Classic Group Tour for you?

Classic Group Tours are thoughtfully designed for travellers who wish to see the iconic sights and magnificent treasures that China has to offer. These tours are an excellent value group tour option. Everyone is different so it's important to choose the tour that best suits your individual requirements. If your answers to the below are mostly yes, then a Classic Group Tour will suit you perfectly.

I want to see China's iconic sights

On a Classic Group Tour you will see China's big, awe-inspiring sights. Whether it's the classic combination of the Great Wall of China in Beijing, Terracotta Warriors in Xian and the Giant Pandas of Chengdu or more comprehensive touring, these tours cover all of China's highlights.

I want someone to take care of the details

All accommodation, touring and transport while in China is included in the price of your Classic Group Tour. A National Escort accompanies each tour and is available should you have any queries or need assistance while on tour.

I want knowledgeable guides

Throughout a Classic Group Tour, you will be accompanied by an industry-leading English-speaking Chinese National Escort and local guides whose unparalleled knowledge and expertise will ensure your holiday is truly memorable.

I want to travel with like-minded people

With a maximum of 29 passengers, you will join mostly Australian, New Zealand and British travellers who want to explore China as much as you do. Many travellers form lifelong friendships while on tour.

I want all my meals included

China is a true culinary adventure. On a Classic Group Tour you can expect to enjoy mostly western style breakfasts while for lunch and dinner you can enjoy a range of delicious cuisine from Peking Duck to dumplings and noodles.

I want tipping to be simplified

The tipping amount for Classic Group Tours is featured on each itinerary. Tips will need to be paid directly to your National Escort on arrival in China. The National Escort will then distribute all tips on behalf of your group.

Classic Tours Include

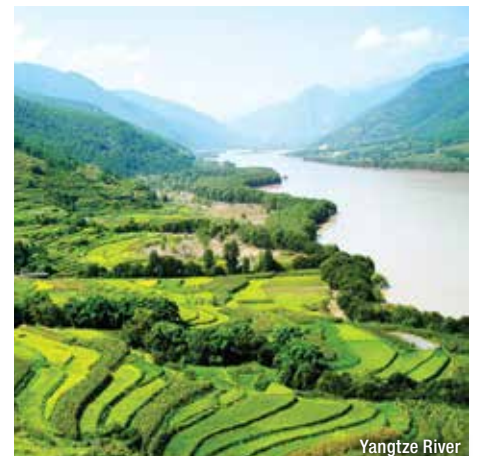
Comprehensive touring

Expert English-speaking Chinese National Escort and local guides

All accommodation and meals

All transportation in China

Arrival and departure transfers on first and last day of tour



Yangtze River



Giant Panda



Cuisine



Great Wall of China



Great Wall of China

Classic Accommodation

All accommodation options featured on Classic Group Tours (pages 14 to 19) have been selected for comfort, charm and location. Properties can range from business hotels in large cities to guesthouses in smaller towns. Generally rated as a local three to four star standard, facilities and quality may differ between New Zealand and China but you can be assured of a comfortable stay. This page features a selection of hotels used on Classic Group Tours.

Note: Accommodation is subject to change and will be confirmed with final documentation.



Beijing

Holiday Inn Beijing Temple of Heaven

Located a 20 minute stroll from the Temple of Heaven, Holiday Inn Beijing Temple of Heaven offers easy access to Beijing's iconic landmarks. Each guestroom is well-appointed with a range of facilities to ensure a comfortable stay in Beijing.

Spend time relaxing by the indoor swimming pool, stay active in the fitness centre or enjoy a massage after a day of sightseeing.



Xian

Grand Dynasty Culture Hotel

In the centre of Xian, Grand Dynasty Culture Hotel is located just a short walk from the old City Wall and the Muslim Quarter.

Each room is elegantly decorated and features standard amenities. Spend time relaxing by the swimming pool following a day of sightseeing in this ancient city.



Shanghai

Regal Shanghai East Asia Hotel

Located in the Shanghai Stadium complex, Regal Shanghai East Asia Hotel is in the heart of Xujiahui, a well-known shopping district.

Guests can stay connected with complimentary Wi-Fi during their stay. Tastefully decorated rooms ensure a pleasant and comfortable stay. With a range of restaurants and bars as well as a gymnasium and swimming pool, this property is the ideal base while staying in Shanghai.



Chengdu

Chengdu Tianfu Sunshine Hotel

Featuring oriental charm, the Chengdu Tianfu Sunshine Hotel is just a 10 minute walk from Chunxi Road within Chengdu's city centre.

Spend time in your well-appointed room with a range of standard amenities. Following a day of sightseeing, relax by the swimming pool or stay active in the fitness centre.



Guilin

Lijiang Waterfall Hotel

Located close to the Li River, Lijiang Waterfall Hotel is conveniently situated in Guilin near the town's Central Square and is a short stroll from the riverfront and night markets.

Each room is appointed with a selection of amenities to ensure a comfortable stay in Lijiang. Relax by the indoor swimming pool following a day of sightseeing.



Yangshuo

Elite Garden Hotel

Just a five minute walk to the Li River, Elite Garden Hotel is located in the heart of Yangshuo. Enjoy the close proximity to West Street and choose from the range of retail options surrounding the property.

Each spacious room is well-appointed and features a selection of amenities to ensure a comfortable stay.



Yangtze River

Victoria Cruises

For over 20 years, Victoria Cruises has been a leader in Yangtze River cruising.

Each cabin is clean, comfortable, well-appointed and includes a private balcony. Enjoy delicious Chinese cuisine and an extensive range of on board facilities. Spend time exploring the Yangtze as you take the opportunity to join a variety of shore excursions.

Victoria Cruises is featured on Yangtze Explorer (P.17), China Impressions (P.18) and Majestic China (P.19).

Classic Group Tours

8 Day Walls, Warriors & Pandas



Great Wall of China



Giant Panda



Terracotta Warriors



HIGHLIGHTS:

- Temple of Heaven
- Great Wall of China
- Summer Palace
- Terracotta Warriors
- Grand Buddha of Leshan
- Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding

Day 1: Beijing

On arrival in Beijing, you will be met and transferred to the hotel. Stay the next three nights at Holiday Inn Beijing Temple of Heaven (or similar). **(D)**

Day 2: Beijing

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

Day 3: Great Wall of China

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Stretching thousands of kilometres 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, then savour a relaxed afternoon in the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace as you wander through traditional gardens and admire exquisite architecture. Jade is revered throughout China as it is said to bring fortune and prosperity to those who wear it. You will have an opportunity to visit a jade factory, where you will be able to buy a small handcrafted piece. A Chinese acrobatic show rounds off the day. **(BLD)**

Day 4: Beijing to Xian

Fly to Xian for an overnight stay. An illustrious and age-old city, Xian is one of the four great ancient capitals of China. Take a leisurely stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th century city walls which enclose Xian's old town to get your bearings, before a delicious feast of traditional Shui Jiao dumplings and a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing. Overnight at Grand Dynasty Culture Hotel (or similar). **(BLD)**

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 who stand in their original formations at the exact location where they were excavated. Visit the workshop of the craftspeople who recreate Terracotta Warriors in the style of their ancient counterparts. Watch the skilled production process and buy a souvenir warrior to take home. Fly to Chengdu. Stay the next three nights at Chengdu Tianfu Sunshine Hotel (or similar). **(BLD)**

Day 6: Grand Buddha of Leshan

Travel to Leshan to visit the Grand Buddha which, at 71 metres, is the world's largest stone-carved Buddhist monument. A short boat trip on the river offers even better views of the statue. Returning to Chengdu, there will be a stop at the riverside village of Huanglongxi, where cobbled streets and rickety wooden buildings retain the charms of the Qing Dynasty. This evening, sample a delicious Sichuan meal. **(BLD)**

Day 7: Giant Pandas

A visit to the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding allows you to see and learn about China's celebrated bears. See them up close in surroundings which 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 Shu Brocade Embroidery Museum, then enjoy a hot beverage in a traditional teahouse before visiting Matchmaker's Corner where parents search for worthy suitors for their children. **(BLD)**

Day 8: Chengdu

On your last day, enjoy free time until your departure transfer to Chengdu airport. **(B)**

Includes:

- 7 nights hotel accommodation
- Flight from Beijing to Xian
- Flight from Xian to Chengdu
- Tours, transfers and admissions as per itinerary
- National Escort
- Local English-speaking guides
- Maximum 29 passengers
- All transportation included as per itinerary
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)
- Tips (paid on arrival)
- One way transfer from Beijing airport to Beijing accommodation on Day 1
- One way transfer from Chengdu accommodation to Chengdu airport on Day 8

Departs: From Beijing

- 2017: • Mar 4, 18 • Apr 8, 22
 • May 6, 13, 20 • Jun 3
 • Jul 22 • Aug 12
 • Sep 2, 9, 23#
 • Oct 7#, 21 • Nov 20
 2018: • Feb 5 • Mar 5, 19

Concludes: Chengdu

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

Tour Grading: Comfortable
 (Refer to page 4 for details)

FROM PRICE:

Adult twin share	\$2460
Adult sole use	\$2991

Tipping: The above prices do not include a mandatory tip of RMB320. This tip is payable on arrival in China and subject to change. Refer to page 4 for details.

Price valid for departure 4 Mar 17. Departures from April to December 2018 are also available. Ask your travel agent for prices for other departure dates.

9 Day China's Golden Triangle



Shanghai



Zhujiajiao



Temple of Heaven



HIGHLIGHTS:

- Shanghai
- Zhujiajiao Water Town
- Terracotta Warriors
- Forbidden City
- Temple of Heaven
- Summer Palace
- Great Wall of China

Day 1: Shanghai

On arrival in Shanghai, you will be met and transferred to the hotel. Stay the next three nights at Regal Shanghai East Asia Hotel (or similar). **(D)**

Day 2: Zhujiajiao

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, while the waterways are lined with ancient buildings and crossed by stone bridges. Return to Shanghai and enjoy the fine arts and antiques of the Shanghai Museum. Enjoy traditional Shanghainese cuisine for dinner. **(BLD)**

Day 3: 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 Museum and the atmospheric alleys of the old town. Admire the colonial architecture with a stroll along the Bund. This evening view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise. **(BLD)**

Day 4: Shanghai to Xian

Fly to Xian. This evening, feast on a traditional Shui Jiao dumpling banquet, a specialty of the region, while enjoying a performance of music and dance dating back to the Tang Dynasty. Stay the next two nights at Grand Dynasty Culture Hotel (or similar). **(BLD)**

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. See the Xian Art Ceramics and Lacquer Exhibition, and later take a stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th century city walls which enclose Xian's old town. **(BLD)**

Day 6: Xian to Beijing

A relaxed morning in Xian includes a visit to the lovely Little Wild Goose Pagoda with time to walk through the atmospheric alleys of the Muslim Quarter, lined with Islamic food stalls. Later, fly to Beijing, China's capital city. Stay the next three nights at Holiday Inn Beijing Temple of Heaven (or similar). **(BLD)**

Day 7: Beijing

Heading to Beijing's symbolic heart, stroll across Tiananmen Square 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. 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. This evening, enjoy a Chinese acrobatic show. **(BLD)**

Day 8: Great Wall of China

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. Jade has long been cherished by the Chinese and at a jade factory you can understand and appreciate the delicate process of carving the stone and buy a piece if you wish. Savour an afternoon in the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace where you will see the traditional Chinese gardens and exquisite architecture. Today's sightseeing is the perfect way to build up your appetite for Beijing's best known delicacy – Peking Duck, after which there is an option to enjoy a Kung Fu show (own expense). **(BLD)**

Day 9: Beijing

On your last day, enjoy free time until your departure transfer to Beijing airport. **(B)**

Includes:

- 8 nights hotel accommodation
- Flight from Shanghai to Xian
- Flight from Xian to Beijing
- Tours, transfers and admissions as per itinerary
- National Escort • Local English-speaking guides
- Maximum 29 passengers
- All transportation included as per itinerary
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)
- Tips (paid on arrival)
- One way transfer from Shanghai airport to Shanghai accommodation on Day 1
- One way transfer from Beijing accommodation to Beijing airport on Day 9

Departs: From Shanghai

2017: • Mar 19, 26

- Apr 2, 9, 16, 23#
- May 7, 14, 21, 28
- Jun 4, 25
- Jul 16, 30
- Aug 13, 27
- Sep 3, 10, 17, 24#
- Oct 8, 15, 22
- Nov 19, 26

2018: • Feb 4

- Mar 4, 18, 25

Concludes: Beijing

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

Tour Grading: Comfortable
(Refer to page 4 for details)

FROM PRICE:

Adult twin share	\$2490
Adult sole use	\$2990

Tipping: The above prices do not include a mandatory tip of RMB400. This tip is payable on arrival in China and subject to change. Refer to page 4 for details.

Price valid for departure 26 Nov 17. Departures from April to December 2018 are also available. Ask your travel agent for prices for other departure dates.

Classic Group Tours

13 Day Glimpse of China



Li River



Shanghai



Great Wall of China



HIGHLIGHTS:

- Shanghai • Li River Cruise
- Terracotta Warriors • Great Wall of China
- Forbidden City • Temple of Heaven

Day 1: Shanghai

On arrival in Shanghai, you will be met and transferred to the hotel. Stay the next three nights at Regal Shanghai East Asia Hotel (or similar). **(D)**

Day 2: Shanghai

Shanghai is China's great metropolis, where east and west collide. Start with a visit to Zhujiajiao, one of Shanghai's sleepy water towns. Afterwards, see the antiquities of the Shanghai Museum and stroll along the Bund. This evening, enjoy a meal of Shanghai cuisine. **(BLD)**

Day 3: Yu Garden & Huangpu River Cruise

Visit the peaceful Yu Garden and wander the bustling streets of the old town. Visit a silk museum before viewing the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic evening cruise. **(BLD)**

Day 4: Shanghai to Guilin

Fly to the city of Guilin. Visit the Seven Star Park which features beautiful scenery to stroll through. Explore the spectacular formations of Seven Star Cave. Overnight at Lijiang Waterfall Hotel (or similar). **(BLD)**

Day 5: Li River Cruise

Relax on the Li River as you cruise to Yangshuo. Pass stunning limestone karst scenery, fishing villages and farming communities. Spend the evening walking along the cobblestone streets. Stay the next two nights at Elite Garden Hotel (or similar). **(BLD)**

Day 6: Yangshuo

Yangshuo sits in an exquisite rural location. Spend the morning exploring the countryside. There are many optional activities available including cycling and rafting (own expense). **(BLD)**

Day 7: Yangshuo to Guilin

Return to Guilin by road. Stroll around Ronghu Lake and admire the Sun and Moon Pagodas. The South China Pearl Museum covers the fascinating

1,700 year history of pearling in the South China Sea. In the evening, see the famous cormorant fishermen. Overnight at Lijiang Waterfall Hotel (or similar). **(BLD)**

Day 8: Guilin to Xian

Fly to Xian. Wander around the Little Wild Goose Pagoda before feasting on traditional Shui Jiao dumplings and watching an exuberant performance of Tang Dynasty dancing. Stay the next two nights at Grand Dynasty Culture Hotel (or similar). **(BLD)**

Day 9: Terracotta Warriors

Explore one of the most significant archaeological discoveries of the 20th century, the Terracotta Warriors and Horses. The army was built in life-sized form by thousands of workers and designed by Emperor Qin Shi Huang to defend him in the afterlife. Later, visit the Xian Art Ceramics and Lacquer Exhibition, and the ancient City Wall. **(BLD)**

Day 10: Xian to Beijing

Board the bullet train to Beijing, the capital of China. Enjoy a fascinating rickshaw ride through the warren-like hutongs, and visit a local family to gain a deeper insight into Chinese culture and local customs. Stay the next three nights at Holiday Inn Beijing Temple of Heaven (or similar). **(BLD)**

Day 11: Great Wall of China

Walk along the Great Wall and admire the panoramic views. Visit a jade factory and wander around the Summer Palace. Your evening entertainment will be an exciting acrobatic performance. **(BLD)**

Day 12: Forbidden City

Soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape. Heading to Beijing's symbolic heart, stroll across Tiananmen Square and into the Forbidden City. Entering through the Gate of Supreme Harmony you will find a complex full of imperial riches. This evening, relish Beijing's best known delicacy – Peking Duck. **(BLD)**

Day 13: Beijing

On your last day, enjoy free time until your departure transfer to Beijing airport. **(B)**

Includes:

- 12 nights hotel accommodation
- Flight from Shanghai to Guilin
- Flight from Guilin to Xian
- Bullet train from Xian to Beijing
- Tours, transfers and admissions as per itinerary
- National Escort • Local English-speaking guides
- Maximum 29 passengers
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)
- Tips (paid on arrival)
- One way transfer from Shanghai airport to Shanghai accommodation on Day 1
- One way transfer from Beijing accommodation to Beijing airport on Day 13

Departs:

- From Shanghai
- 2017: • Mar 12, 26
• Apr 9, 23#
• May 7, 21
• Jun 25
• Jul 23
• Aug 13
• Sep 3, 10, 17, 24#
• Oct 8, 15, 29
• Nov 19
- 2018: • Feb 25
• Mar 11, 25

Concludes:

Beijing
Note: #Departure coincides with Golden Week celebrations and sightseeing may be affected.

Tour Grading: Comfortable
(Refer to page 4 for details)

FROM PRICE:

Adult twin share	\$3388
Adult sole use	\$4048

Tipping: The above prices do not include a mandatory tip of RMB450. This tip is payable on arrival in China and subject to change. Refer to page 4 for details.

Price valid for departure 12 Mar 17. Departures from April to December 2018 are also available. Ask your travel agent for prices for other departure dates.

13 Day Yangtze Explorer



Yangtze River Tributary



Terracotta Warriors



Giant Pandas



HIGHLIGHTS:

- Shanghai • Yangtze River Cruise
- Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding
- Terracotta Warriors • Forbidden City
- Temple of Heaven • Great Wall of China

Day 1: Shanghai

On arrival in Shanghai, you will be met and transferred to the hotel. Stay the next two nights at Regal Shanghai East Asia Hotel (or similar). (D)

Day 2: Shanghai

Today's explorations include the classical Yu Garden, the atmospheric alleys of the old town and the Shanghai Museum. Admire the magnificent colonial architecture with a stroll along the Bund. View the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise and sample some traditional cuisine. (BLD)

Day 3: Shanghai to Yichang

See the sights of the ultra-modern Pudong area of the city with its sci-fi skyscrapers. Follow the age-old silk production process at the Silk Museum, from the cultivation of silkworms up to creating the final piece. Fly to Yichang to board the Yangtze River cruise. Stay the next four nights on a Victoria Cruises vessel (or similar). (BLD)

Days 4-6: Yangtze River Cruise

A man-made marvel, the Three Gorges Dam showcases this 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 three days, prepare for one breathtaking panorama after another. Take a side trip to the attractive Goddess or Shennong Stream and enjoy shore excursions to the Ghost City of Fengdu or Shibaozhai. (BLD)

Day 7: Chongqing to Chengdu

Disembarking the cruise vessel in Chongqing, explore old Ciqikou, a district known for its porcelain production during the Ming and Qing dynasties. Transfer to Chengdu and enjoy a delicious Sichuan dinner with the option of a Sichuan Opera performance (own expense). Overnight at Chengdu Tianfu Sunshine Hotel (or similar). (BLD)

Day 8: Giant Pandas & Xian

A visit to the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding allows you to see and learn about China's celebrated bears. Fly 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. Stay the next two nights at Grand Dynasty Culture Hotel (or similar). (BLD)

Day 9: Terracotta Warriors

Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of the life-sized Terracotta Army of China's first Emperor, Qin Shi Huang. Visit the workshop of the craftspeople who recreate Terracotta Warriors. Watch the skilled production process and buy a souvenir warrior to take home. Later, stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th century city walls. (BLD)

Day 10: Xian to Beijing

A fascinating morning includes a visit to the lovely Little Wild Goose Pagoda. Take time to walk through the atmospheric alleys of the Muslim Quarter which are lined with Islamic food stalls. Later, fly to Beijing, China's capital city. Stay the next three nights at Holiday Inn Beijing Temple of Heaven (or similar). (BLD)

Day 11: Beijing

Stroll across Tiananmen Square and into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City to find a complex full of imperial riches. 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. Later, enjoy a Chinese acrobatic show. (BLD)

Day 12: Great Wall of China

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic site – 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. Visit a jade factory then savour the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace. This evening, enjoy Beijing's best known delicacy – Peking Duck. (BLD)

Day 13: Beijing

On your last day, enjoy free time until your departure transfer to Beijing airport. (B)

Includes:

- 8 nights hotel accommodation
- 4 nights cruise accommodation
- Flight from Shanghai to Yichang
- Flight from Chengdu to Xian
- Flight from Xian to Beijing
- Tours, transfers and admissions as per itinerary
- National Escort • Local English-speaking guides
- Maximum 29 passengers
- All transportation included as per itinerary
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner) • Tips (paid on arrival)
- One way transfer from Shanghai airport to Shanghai accommodation on Day 1
- One way transfer from Beijing accommodation to Beijing airport on Day 13

Departs:

- From Shanghai
- 2017: • Mar 10, 21, 28
 • Apr 4, 6, 11, 18#, 27#
 • May 4, 9, 11, 16, 23, 30
 • Jun 6, 20
 • Jul 18
 • Aug 8, 15, 22, 29
 • Sep 5, 7, 12, 14, 19#, 26#
 • Oct 5#, 10, 12, 17, 24, 31
 • Nov 7

- 2018: • Mar 9, 20, 27

Concludes:

Beijing
 Note: #Departure coincides with Golden Week celebrations and sightseeing may be affected.

Tour Grading: Comfortable
 (Refer to page 4 for details)

FROM PRICE:

Adult twin share	\$3825
Adult sole use	\$4825

Tiping: The above prices do not include a mandatory tip of RMB600. This tip is payable on arrival in China and subject to change. Refer to page 4 for details.

Price valid for departure 7 Nov 17. Departures from April to December 2018 are also available. Ask your travel agent for prices for other departure dates.

Classic Group Tours

15 Day China Impressions



Forbidden City



Yangtze River



Shanghai



HIGHLIGHTS:

- Forbidden City • Temple of Heaven
- Summer Palace • Great Wall of China
- Terracotta Warriors • Yangtze River Cruise
- Three Gorges Dam • Li River Cruise
- Shanghai • Huangpu River

Day 1: Beijing

On arrival in Beijing, you will be met and transferred to the hotel. Stay the next three nights at Holiday Inn Beijing Temple of Heaven (or similar). **(D)**

Day 2: Forbidden City & Temple of Heaven

Stroll across Tiananmen Square and into the Forbidden City. Enjoy a rickshaw ride through the warren-like hutongs, and visit a local family to gain an insight into Chinese culture and local customs. Soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, where you can watch, or participate in, a dance class. This evening, enjoy a traditional Peking Duck dinner. **(BLD)**

Day 3: Great Wall of China

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Appreciate both the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that it crosses. Visit a jade factory and savour an afternoon at the Summer Palace. **(BLD)**

Day 4: Beijing to Xian

Fly to Xian and wander through the Muslim Quarter. Feast on a Shui Jiao dumpling banquet while enjoying a performance of music and dance dating back to the Tang Dynasty. Stay the next two nights at Grand Dynasty Culture Hotel (or similar). **(BLD)**

Day 5: Terracotta Warriors

The Terracotta Army of China's first Emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has long intrigued visitors. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors before seeing the Art Ceramics and Lacquer Exhibition. Stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th century city walls that enclose Xian's old town. **(BLD)**

Day 6: Xian to Yangtze River Cruise via Wuhan

Fly to Wuhan and transfer by coach (approximately four to five hours) to Yichang to board your river cruise. Stay the next four nights on a Victoria Cruises vessel (or similar). **(BLD)**

Days 7-9: Yangtze River Cruise

A man-made marvel, the Three Gorges Dam 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 three days, prepare for one breathtaking panorama after another. Take a side trip to the attractive Goddess or Shennong Stream and enjoy shore excursions to the Ghost City of Fengdu or Shibaozhai. **(BLD)**

Day 10: Chongqing to Guilin

Disembark in Chongqing and visit the Panda House at Chongqing Zoo before flying to Guilin. Overnight at Lijiang Waterfall Hotel (or similar). **(BLD)**

Day 11: Guilin to Yangshuo

Cruise along the Li River to the village of Yangshuo. Browse Yangshuo's lively markets. Overnight at Elite Garden Hotel (or similar). **(BLD)**

Day 12: Yangshuo to Guilin

Yangshuo sits in an exquisite rural location of 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 Museum before seeing the cormorant fishermen. Overnight at Lijiang Waterfall Hotel (or similar). **(BLD)**

Day 13: Guilin to Shanghai

Fly to the exuberant city of Shanghai. Marvel at the antiques at the Shanghai Museum and stroll through People's Square. This evening, cruise along the Huangpu River. Stay the next two nights at Regal Shanghai East Asia Hotel (or similar). **(BLD)**

Day 14: Shanghai

Stroll through the Yu Garden, the Old Town, a Silk Museum and along the Bund. Dinner will be a banquet of traditional Shanghai cuisine. **(BLD)**

Day 15: Shanghai

On your last day, enjoy free time until your departure transfer to Shanghai airport. **(B)**

Includes:

- 10 nights hotel accommodation
- 4 nights cruise accommodation
- Flight from Beijing to Xian
- Flight from Xian to Wuhan
- Flight from Chongqing to Guilin
- Flight from Guilin to Shanghai
- Tours, transfers and admissions as per itinerary
- National Escort • Local English-speaking guides
- Maximum 29 passengers
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner) • Tips (paid on arrival)
- One way transfer from Beijing airport to Beijing accommodation on Day 1
- One way transfer from Shanghai accommodation to Shanghai airport on Day 15

Departs:

- From Beijing
- 2017: • Mar 7, 14, 20, 27
 • Apr 3, 10, 14, 17#, 21#, 24#
 • May 5, 8, 12, 15, 19, 22, 29
 • Jun 12, 26
 • Jul 10, 24
 • Aug 7, 21, 28
 • Sep 1, 4, 8, 11, 15, 18#, 22#, 25#
 • Oct 6#, 9, 13, 16, 23, 30
 • Nov 6
- 2018: • Mar 6, 13, 19, 26

Concludes: Shanghai

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

Tour Grading: Moderate
 (Refer to page 4 for details)

FROM PRICE:

Adult twin share	\$4648
Adult sole use	\$5979

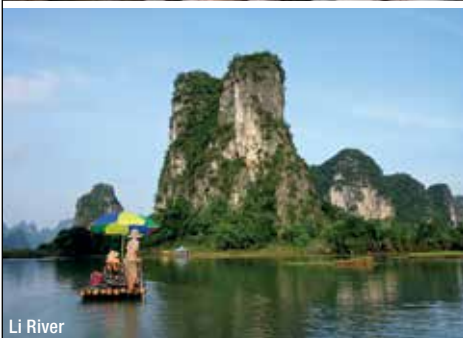
Tipping: The above prices do not include a mandatory tip of RMB770. This tip is payable on arrival in China and subject to change. Refer to page 4 for details.

Price valid for departure 7 Mar 17. Departures from April to December 2018 are also available. Ask your travel agent for prices for other departure dates.

21 Day Majestic China



Terracotta Warriors



Li River



Great Wall of China



HIGHLIGHTS:

- Forbidden City • Great Wall of China
- Temple of Heaven • Summer Palace
- Terracotta Warriors • Yangtze River Cruise
- Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding
- Guilin • Li River Cruise • Yangshuo
- Suzhou • Shanghai

Days 1-2: Beijing

On arrival in Beijing, you will be met and transferred to the hotel. Stroll across Tiananmen Square and into the Forbidden City. Later, enjoy a rickshaw ride through the hutongs and visit a local family. This evening, enjoy a traditional Peking Duck dinner. Stay three nights at Holiday Inn Beijing Temple of Heaven (or similar). **(1B,1L,2D)**

Days 3-4: Great Wall of China & Temple of Heaven

Visit China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. There is no better way to appreciate this incredible structure than to walk along it. Visit a jade factory, then savour an afternoon at the Summer Palace and the Temple of Heaven before a Chinese acrobatic show. **(2B,2L,2D)**

Days 5-6: Beijing to Xian

Fly to Xian, the ancient former capital. See the Little Wild Goose Pagoda, before a delicious feast of traditional Shui Jiao dumplings and a Tang Dynasty dance show. The Terracotta Warriors have long intrigued visitors. Spend the morning viewing the life-like warriors, then visit the Xian Art Ceramics and Lacquer Exhibition. Next, take an afternoon stroll along the beautifully preserved 14th century city walls. Later, explore the Muslim Quarter. Stay two nights at Grand Dynasty Culture Hotel (or similar). **(2B,2L,2D)**

Days 7-10: Xian to Yangtze River Cruise via Wuhan

Fly to Wuhan and transfer by coach to Yichang (approximately four to five hours). The Three Gorges Dam showcases a massive feat of engineering. As you cruise upstream nature takes over, revealing some of the world's most dramatic scenery. Over the next three days take side trips to the attractive Goddess Stream and Shibaozhai. Stay four nights on a Victoria Cruises vessel (or similar). **(4B,4L,4D)**

Days 11-12: Chongqing to Chengdu

Disembark in Chongqing and explore old Ciqikou. Transfer to Chengdu. Visit the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding to learn about China's pandas. Stroll through the vibrant People's Park with a stop at Matchmaker's Corner, where parents search for worthy suitors for their children. Enjoy a delicious Sichuan dinner. Stay two nights at Chengdu Tianfu Sunshine Hotel (or similar). **(2B,2L,2D)**

Day 13: Chengdu to Guilin

Fly to beautiful Guilin and explore the formations of the Reed Flute Cave. Overnight at Lijiang Waterfall Hotel (or similar). **(1B,1L,1D)**

Days 14-15: Guilin to Yangshuo

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to the charming village of Yangshuo. Spend the morning exploring the countryside before an afternoon at leisure. There are many optional activities available including cycling and rafting (own expense), or take a relaxing walk through the town. In the evening, see the famous cormorant fishermen. Stay two nights at Elite Garden Hotel (or similar). **(2B,2L,2D)**

Day 16: Yangshuo to Guilin

Travel back to Guilin by road. Stroll around Ronghu Lake and admire the Sun and Moon Pagodas. The South China Pearl Museum covers the fascinating 1,700 year history of pearling in the South China Sea. Overnight at Lijiang Waterfall Hotel (or similar). **(1B,1L,1D)**

Days 17-21: Guilin to Shanghai

Fly to Shanghai and spend some time in the city's Xintiandi area. Travel to Suzhou – renowned for its gardens. Cruise the Grand Canal before returning to Shanghai to dine on local cuisine. Visit the peaceful Yu Garden and atmospheric old town before admiring the architecture on the Bund and visit the Shanghai Museum. Explore futuristic Pudong and view the city from the Huangpu River during an evening river cruise. On your last day, enjoy free time until your departure transfer to Shanghai airport. Stay four nights at Regal Shanghai East Asia Hotel (or similar). **(5B,4L,4D)**

Includes:

- 16 nights hotel accommodation
- 4 nights cruise accommodation
- Flight from Beijing to Xian
- Flight from Xian to Wuhan
- Flight from Chengdu to Guilin
- Flight from Guilin to Shanghai
- Tours, transfers and admissions as per itinerary
- National Escort • Local English-speaking guides
- Maximum 29 passengers
- All transportation included as per itinerary
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner) • Tips (paid on arrival)
- One way transfer from Beijing airport to Beijing accommodation on Day 1
- One way transfer from Shanghai accommodation to Shanghai airport on Day 21

Departs:

- From Beijing
- 2017: • Mar 6, 13, 20, 27
 • Apr 3, 10#, 17#, 24#
 • May 8, 15, 22, 29
 • Jun 5, 19
 • Jul 10
 • Aug 7, 28
 • Sep 2, 4, 9, 11#, 18#, 25#
 • Oct 7#, 9, 16, 23, 30
- 2018: • Mar 5, 17, 24, 31

Concludes:

Shanghai
 Note: #Departure coincides with Golden Week celebrations and sightseeing may be affected.

Tour Grading: Comfortable
 (Refer to page 4 for details)

FROM PRICE:

Adult twin share	\$5420
Adult sole use	\$6871

Tiping: The above prices do not include a mandatory tip of RMB930. This tip is payable on arrival in China and subject to change. Refer to page 4 for details.

Price valid for departure 30 Oct 17. Departures from April to December 2018 are also available. Ask your travel agent for prices for other departure dates.

Deluxe Group Tours



Shanghai

Is a Deluxe Group Tour for you?

Deluxe Group Tours are meticulously designed journeys, featuring truly distinctive and immersive experiences that bring China to life. Hand-picked hotels, sumptuous dining and exclusive experiences make these tours the ideal way to discover Asia in comfort and style. Everyone is different so it's important to choose the tour that best suits your individual requirements. If your answers to the below are mostly yes, then a Deluxe Group Tour will suit you perfectly.

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I want a unique China experience

A Deluxe Group Tour allows you to take part in a series of unique and exclusive experiences. Sip Champagne on the Great Wall of China, take part in a Tai Chi class with a master or explore the Terracotta Warriors, guided by a member of the excavation team.

I want knowledgeable guides

During a Deluxe Group Tour, you will be accompanied by an industry-leading English-speaking Chinese National Escort and local guides whose unparalleled knowledge and expertise will ensure your holiday is truly memorable.

I want to stay in deluxe hotels

Stay in carefully selected deluxe hotels in the best possible locations throughout your journey when travelling on a Deluxe Group Tour.

I want excellent dining experiences

Taste the best food each region has to offer as you indulge in sumptuous, authentic dining experiences which have been selected specifically for your Deluxe Group Tour.

I want tipping to be simplified

The tipping amount for Deluxe Group Tours is featured on each itinerary. Tips will need to be paid directly to your National Escort on arrival in China. The National Escort will then distribute all tips on behalf of your group.

Deluxe Tours Include

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- Comprehensive touring
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- Unique experiences
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- Free time to explore on your own
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- Maximum 18 passengers
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- Expert English-speaking Chinese National Escort and local guides
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- All accommodation and meals as per itinerary
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- All transportation in China
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- Porterage
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- Mid-tour laundry service
-
- Daily bottled water
-
- Arrival and departure transfers on first and last day of tour



Great Wall of China



Jinli Street, Chengdu



Giant Panda



Deluxe Accommodation

All accommodation options featured on Deluxe Group Tours (pages 22 to 25) have been hand-picked to complement the high quality of experiences and touring, meaning you will be staying in true comfort in the best locations. This page features a selection of hotels used on Deluxe Group Tours.



Beijing Regent Beijing Wangfujing

Within steps of the vibrant pedestrian zone of Wangfujing, the Regent Beijing Wangfujing offers a grand choice in sophisticated, centrally-located accommodation.

With views over Beijing's imperial landmarks, each room has been meticulously designed to ensure a comfortable stay. Enjoy a range of on-site facilities including a spa, restaurants and heated swimming pool.



Xian Hilton Xian

The Hilton Xian is perfectly located in Xian's downtown, within the ancient city walls. Take a five minute walk to East Street, Muslim Street and Luomashi Pedestrian Street, and be rewarded with some of Xian's best restaurants and entertainment.

Exuding a contemporary elegance, the modern feel is punctuated with traditional Tang Dynasty artworks and the spacious rooms are beautifully decorated.



Shanghai Fairmont Peace Hotel

In Shanghai's golden era, the Fairmont Peace Hotel was the place to be, a lavish Art Deco edifice with legendary jazz musicians and famous clientele.

This property is perfectly placed right on the Bund and displays effortless Art Deco flourishes. Restored to its original 1930s glory, the property is a wonderful reminder of Shanghai's elegant history.



Chengdu Ritz-Carlton Chengdu

In the vibrant heart of the city, the Ritz-Carlton Chengdu blends the unique theme of the city's teahouse culture with thoroughly modern elegance. The metro is within minutes of the property offering easy access to traditional teahouses, vibrant markets and a variety of museums.

Each room boasts sumptuous décor, spacious living areas, full marble bathrooms and exceptional views of downtown.



Guilin Shangri-La Guilin

Overlooking the Li River, the elegant Shangri-La Guilin is perfectly located to take in the karst landscapes for which the area is famous. The property features Chinese-style architecture and offers heart-warming Asian hospitality to ensure a pleasant stay.

Each room is cool and spacious, providing modern amenities plus full-size windows from which to enjoy the views.



Yangshuo Yangshuo Resort

Nestled among the iconic limestone karsts of Yangshuo, this resort is a paradise sanctuary in the Chinese countryside. With a location by the Yulong River, Yangshuo Resort offers beautiful views of the surrounding area.

Wake in your expansive bedroom and marvel at scenic views from your personal balcony. Each room is equipped with a range of facilities to ensure a comfortable stay.



Lhasa, Tibet Shangri-La Lhasa

Situated just a few minutes' walk from the Norbuligka Palace, Shangri-La Lhasa represents Tibetan-style luxury to perfection. The hotel exudes a peaceful ambience, making relaxation easy as you acclimatise to your high altitude surroundings.

Each spacious room is well-appointed with traditional Tibetan architecture and interior design. Enjoy incredible mountain views outside your window as you relax in style.



Yangtze River Century Cruises

Operating a deluxe, modern fleet, Century Cruises are known for being one of the best fleets on the Yangtze River.

Sister ships, the Paragon and the Legend both offer the incredible comfort, attentive service and spacious cabins it takes to truly enjoy your cruise.

Century Cruises is featured on Imperial China (P.22), Essence of China (P.23) and China & Tibet Experience (P.24).

Deluxe Group Tours

14 Day Imperial China



Forbidden City



Terracotta Warriors



Giant Panda



HIGHLIGHTS:

- Temple of Heaven
- Forbidden City • Great Wall of China
- Xian Ancient City Walls • Terracotta Warriors
- Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding
- Yangtze River Cruise • Three Gorges Dam
- Zhujiajiao Water Town • Shanghai

Days 1-2: Beijing

On arrival in Beijing, you will be met and transferred to the hotel. 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. Your visit includes entry to the intimate Treasure Hall. Dine on Peking Duck at the excellent Quanjude restaurant and enjoy an optional Chinese Kung Fu show (own expense). Stay three nights at Regent Beijing Wangfujing. **(1B,1L,2D)**

Day 3: Great Wall of China

Visit the beautiful Mutianyu section of the Great Wall of China, stopping at the ideal spot to enjoy a glass of Champagne while admiring views of the Wall as it snakes over rugged peaks. Return to Beijing via a jade factory, then take a rickshaw ride through the hutongs where you'll stop for a lesson in calligraphy with a learned scholar. Enjoy a free evening at lively Houhai Lake where dinner is at your leisure. **(1B,1L)**

Days 4-5: Beijing to Xian

Fly to Xian. Walk on the 14th century walls for an excellent view of the city. See an optional Tang Dynasty dance performance (own expense). The Terracotta Warriors are one of the world's most famous archaeological discoveries. View the enigmatic ranks in the company of an expert who works at the site and who will put their story into context. On the way back to Xian, visit the workshop of the craftspeople who recreate Terracotta Warriors. Study with local dumpling chefs to learn the art of creating these cultural delicacies. There is an option (own expense) to take a city night tour which includes the dazzling fountain display in front of the Big Wild Goose Pagoda. Stay two nights at the Hilton Xian. **(2B,2L,1D)**

Days 6-7: Xian to Chengdu

Explore Hanyangling Mausoleum for a fascinating insight into daily life during the Western Han Dynasty. Fly to Chengdu. Puzzle over a national secret at the optional Sichuan Opera – the face-changing art of Bian Lian (own expense). Visit Chengdu's Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding where an expert will explain about the centre's work. Stroll through the bustling People's Park to Matchmaker's Corner. Enjoy a traditional hot pot dinner. Stay two nights at Ritz Carlton Chengdu. **(2B,2L,1D)**

Day 8: Chengdu to Chongqing

Transfer to Chongqing and visit Ciqikou, a historic district full of traditional architecture. Stay the next three nights on a Century cruise ship. **(1B,1D)**

Days 9-10: Yangtze River Cruise

A Yangtze Cruise is the perfect way to gain an insight into this iconic waterway. The first excursion will be to Shibaozhai, a hilltop pagoda beside the river. This evening, the captain will host a welcome reception followed by a lavish dinner at the à la carte restaurant. Prepare for breathtaking vistas as you sweep through the Wu and Qutang Gorges before cruising along the scenic Shennong Stream on a sampan to explore further. Back on the ship, expand your knowledge of the dam project with a presentation by the river guide. **(2B,2L,2D)**

Days 11-14: Yichang to Shanghai

Created to harness the power of the Yangtze, the Three Gorges Dam Project is an impressive feat. Visit the Three Gorges Dam exhibition centre. Disembark, travel to Wuhan and fly to Shanghai. The 1,700 year old Zhujiajiao is a typical example of a water town, boasting old stone bridges, wood-panelled houses and numerous atmospheric waterways once used to transport goods. Walk in the Yu Garden, visit the colonial Bund, the Silk Museum and the Old Town, before admiring the collections of the Shanghai Museum. Enjoy a farewell dinner at Meiyuncun and toast the end of the tour with a cocktail at Cloud 9 in Jin Mao Tower with views of the Pudong skyline. On your last day, enjoy free time until your departure transfer to Shanghai airport. Stay three nights at Fairmont Peace Hotel. **(4B,2L,1D)**

Includes:

- 10 nights hotel accommodation
- 3 nights cruise accommodation
- Flight from Beijing to Xian
- Flight from Xian to Chengdu
- Flight from Wuhan to Shanghai
- Tours, transfers and admissions as per itinerary
- National Escort
- Local English-speaking guides
- Maximum 18 passengers
- All transportation included as per itinerary
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)
- Tips (paid on arrival)
- One way transfer from Beijing airport to Beijing accommodation on Day 1
- One way transfer from Shanghai accommodation to Shanghai airport on Day 14

Departs:

- From Beijing
2017: • Apr 8
• May 20
• Sep 2, 16
• Oct 7#

Concludes:

Shanghai
Note: #Departure coincides with Golden Week celebrations and sightseeing may be affected.

Tour Grading: Comfortable
(Refer to page 4 for details)

FROM PRICE:

Adult twin share	\$7480
Adult sole use	\$10131

Tipping: The above prices do not include a mandatory tip of RMB1030. This tip is payable on arrival in China and subject to change. Refer to page 4 for details.

Price valid for departure 8 Apr 17. Departures from April to October 2018 are also available. Ask your travel agent for prices for other departure dates.

16 Day Essence of China



Great Wall of China



Guilin



Shanghai



HIGHLIGHTS:

- Forbidden City • Temple of Heaven
- Great Wall of China • Terracotta Warriors
- Xian • Guilin • Li River Cruise
- Yangtze River Cruise • Three Gorges Dam
- Zhujiajiao Water Town • Shanghai

Days 1-2: Beijing

On arrival in Beijing, you will be met and transferred to the hotel. Begin the day like many locals with a private Tai Chi lesson in the Temple of Heaven park. Cross vast Tiananmen Square to the Forbidden City. Dine on Peking Duck at Quanjude restaurant and enjoy an optional Chinese Kung Fu show (own expense). Stay three nights at Regent Beijing Wangfujing. **(1B,1L,2D)**

Day 3: Great Wall of China

Visit the beautiful Mutianyu section of the Great Wall, stopping at the ideal spot to enjoy a glass of Champagne while admiring views of the wall as it snakes over rugged peaks. Return to Beijing via a jade factory, then take a rickshaw ride through the hutongs where you'll stop for a lesson in calligraphy with a learned scholar. Later, enjoy a free evening at lively Houhai Lake. **(1B,1L)**

Days 4-5: Beijing to Xian

Fly to Xian and walk on the 14th century walls for an excellent overview of the city. This evening, watch a Tang Dynasty dance performance. View the enigmatic ranks of the Terracotta Warriors in the company of an expert who works at the site. Meet the man who discovered the Warriors and learn about the moment they were uncovered in 1974. Visit the Xian Art Ceramics and Lacquer Exhibition before returning to the city. Later, study with local dumpling chefs to learn the art of creating these cultural delicacies. Stay two nights at Hilton Xian. **(2B,2L,1D)**

Day 6: Xian to Guilin

Explore Hanyangling Mausoleum. The artefacts recovered here, viewable from the glass walkways above, give a fascinating insight into daily life during the Western Han Dynasty. Fly to Guilin, a city set in the dramatic limestone karst landscapes of the Li River valley. Overnight at Guilin Shangri-La. **(1B,1L)**

Days 7-8: Guilin to Yangshuo

Cruise the Li River to Yangshuo. The magnificence of the limestone karsts and serenity of life on the riverbanks is a wonderful sight. On arrival, enjoy dinner at a vegetarian restaurant before 'Impression Sanjie Liu', a light spectacular that perfectly utilises the karst landscape as a theatre and the Li River as a stage. Take a walking tour of Yangshuo's idyllic, karst studded countryside before enjoying the afternoon at leisure. Stay two nights at Yangshuo Resort. **(2B,1L,1D)**

Day 9: Yangshuo to Guilin

Drive to Guilin and learn about the South China Sea pearling industry at the Pearl Museum. This evening, watch the famous cormorant fishermen as they demonstrate their age-old technique. Overnight at Guilin Shangri-La. **(1B)**

Days 10-12: Yangtze River Cruise

Fly to Chongqing and explore the Ming Dynasty district of Ciqikou. The Yangtze has long played a pivotal role in the history, culture and economy of China. The first excursion will be to Shibaozhai, a hilltop pagoda beside the river. This evening, the captain will host a welcome reception followed by a lavish dinner. Prepare for breathtaking vistas as you sail through the Wu and Qutang Gorges before cruising along the scenic Shennong Stream. Back on the ship, expand your knowledge on the dam project with a presentation by the ship's river guide. Stay three nights on a Century cruise ship. **(3B,2L,3D)**

Days 13-16: Yichang to Shanghai

The Three Gorges Dam Project is a massive feat of engineering which saw the century-old dreams of Chinese luminaries come to fruition. Visit the Three Gorges Dam exhibition centre. Disembark your cruise, transfer to Wuhan and fly to Shanghai. The 1,700 year old Zhujiajiao water town is a typical example of rustic Chinese charm. Return to Shanghai where the afternoon is free to spend as you wish, or watch an astonishing acrobatics show (own expense). Walk in the Yu Garden, a classic example of traditional Chinese horticulture. Visit the colonial Bund, the Silk Museum and the Old Town, before admiring the collections at the Shanghai Museum. Enjoy a farewell

dinner at Meiyuancun and toast the end of the tour with a cocktail at Cloud 9 in Jin Mao Tower, while enjoying panoramic views of the Pudong skyline. On your last day, enjoy free time until your departure transfer to Shanghai airport. Stay three nights at Fairmont Peace Hotel. **(4B,2L,1D)**

Includes:

- 12 nights hotel accommodation
- 3 nights cruise accommodation
- Flight from Beijing to Xian
- Flight from Xian to Guilin
- Flight from Guilin to Chongqing
- Flight from Wuhan to Shanghai
- Tours, transfers and admissions as per itinerary
- National Escort • Local English-speaking guides
- Maximum 18 passengers
- All transportation included as per itinerary
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner) • Tips (paid on arrival)
- One way transfer from Beijing airport to Beijing accommodation on Day 1
- One way transfer from Shanghai accommodation to Shanghai airport on Day 16

Departs: From Beijing
2017: • May 11, 25
• Sep 7, 21#
• Oct 12

Concludes:

Shanghai
Note: #Departure coincides with Golden Week celebrations and sightseeing may be affected.

Tour Grading: Moderate
(Refer to page 4 for details)

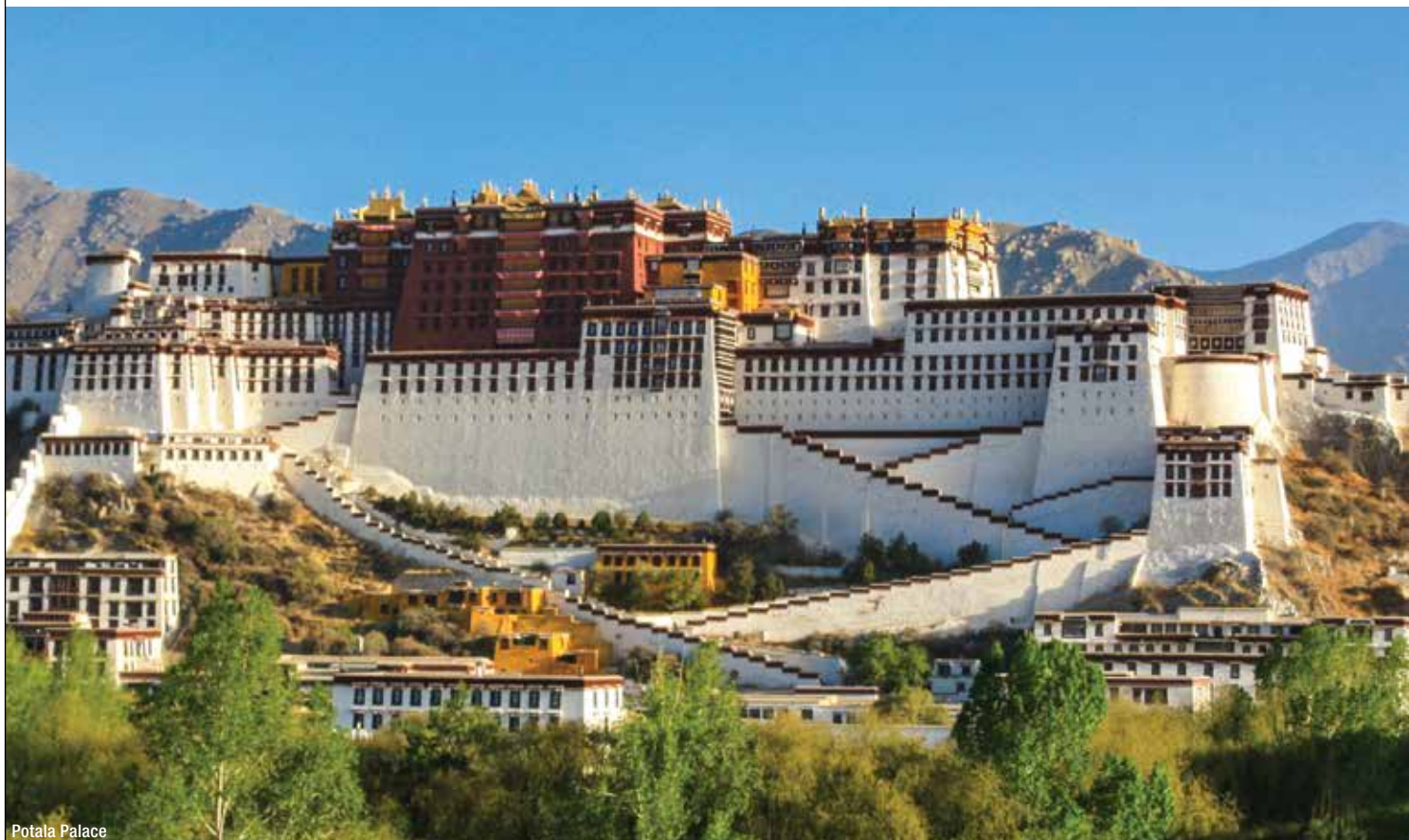
FROM PRICE:

Adult twin share	\$8240
Adult sole use	\$11240

Tipping: The above prices do not include a mandatory tip of RMB1190. This tip is payable on arrival in China and subject to change. Refer to page 4 for details.

Price valid for departure 25 May 17. Departures from April to October 2018 are also available. Ask your travel agent for prices for other departure dates.

17 Day China & Tibet Experience



Potala Palace



Forbidden City



Giant Panda



Terracotta Warriors

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Forbidden City
- Temple of Heaven
- Great Wall of China
- Terracotta Warriors
- Sera Monastery
- Potala Palace
- Giant Pandas
- Three Gorges Dam
- Yu Garden

Day 1: Beijing

On arrival in Beijing, you will be met and transferred to the hotel. Stay the next three nights at Regent Beijing Wangfujing.

Day 2: 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 – a monument to a dynastic past. Your visit includes entry to the intimate Treasure Hall, a glittering showcase of royal life. Dine on Peking Duck at the excellent Quanjude restaurant and enjoy an optional Kung Fu show (own expense). **(BLD)**

Day 3: Great Wall of China

From the Gobi Desert to the Bohai Sea, the Great Wall stretches thousands of miles. Ride the cable car up the beautiful Mutianyu section, stopping at the ideal spot to enjoy a glass of Champagne while admiring the views of the wall as it snakes over rugged peaks. Return to Beijing via a jade factory, then take a rickshaw ride through the hutongs where you'll stop for a lesson in calligraphy with a learned scholar. Enjoy a free evening at lively Houhai Lake. **(BL)**

Day 4: Beijing to Xian

Fly to Xian and walk on the 14th century walls before spending the rest of the afternoon at leisure. This evening, watch a Tang Dynasty dance performance (own expense). Stay the next two nights at Hilton Xian. **(BL)**

Day 5: Terracotta Warriors

View the enigmatic ranks of the Terracotta Warriors in the company of an expert who works at the site. Meet the discoverer of the warriors and learn about the moment they were uncovered by talking to one of the farmers who stumbled upon them in 1974. Visit the Xian Art Ceramics and Lacquer Exhibition before returning to the city. Later, study with local dumpling chefs to learn the art of creating these cultural delicacies. **(BLD)**

Day 6: Xian to Tibet

Transfer to the airport and fly to Tibet's capital city, Lhasa. This mystical city still manages to feel a million miles from the modern world. Spend the rest of the day acclimatising to the higher altitude. Stay the next four nights at Shangri-La Lhasa. **(B)**

Day 7: Lhasa

Visit one of Lhasa's 'great three' Gelukpa university monasteries, Sera Monastery. Sera is famous for its debating monks – witness them in action in the debating courtyard. Stop en route to admire the exquisite artistry of Tibetan 'thangkas' at a workshop. **(BL)**

Day 8: Potala Palace

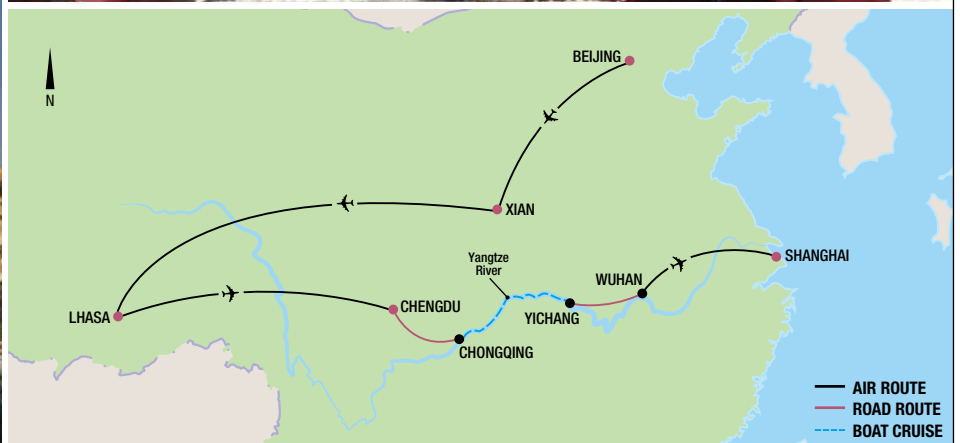
Potala Palace was built as a palace for the Dalai Lama in 1645 – wander through the series of impressive chapels, stupas and prayer halls. Follow the Barkhor circuit around the ancient Jokhang Temple, Tibet's most sacred, before entering the yak butter candle-lit interior. Later, learn how to create the traditional Tibetan delicacy 'momos' before dinner at the excellent Snowland restaurant. **(BLD)**

Day 9: Yamdrok-Tso Lake

Head out of the city to Yamdrok-Tso Lake. One of three of Tibet's sacred lakes, the brilliant blue water reflects myriad snow-capped peaks – a breathtaking sight. On the return journey to Lhasa, visit a local family to learn more about the daily life, culture and heritage of the Tibetan people. This evening is at your leisure. **(BL)**



Debating Monks, Sera Monastery



Day 10: Lhasa to Chengdu

Transfer to the airport and fly to Chengdu. Spend the afternoon at leisure. Stay the next two nights at Ritz Carlton Chengdu. **(BL)**

Day 11: Giant Pandas

Visit Chengdu's Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding and observe these peaceful bears while talking with an expert. Stroll through the vibrant People's Park and visit Matchmaker's Corner to see parents searching through reams of notices for worthy suitors for their sons and daughters, before sipping tea in a traditional teahouse. This evening, enjoy a traditional hot pot dinner with the option to puzzle over the face-changing art of Bian Lian at the Sichuan Opera (own expense). **(BLD)**

Day 12: Chengdu to Chongqing

Transfer to Chongqing and enjoy a relaxed exploration of Ciqikou, a historic district full of traditional architecture with time for a leisurely lunch (own expense). Known colloquially as 'Little Chongqing' and the 'Porcelain Port', Ciqikou dates back to the Ming Dynasty and has maintained its original appearance. Lined with shops selling delicious snacks, Ming-style trinkets and Chinese curios, Ciqikou is a must-see in Chongqing. Stay the next three nights on a Century cruise ship. **(BD)**

Day 13: Yangtze River Cruise

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. Start the day with a Tai Chi session as you take in the beautiful scenery. The first excursion will be to Shibaozhai, a hilltop pagoda beside the river. Dating back to the 18th century, the Shibaozhai temple was built during the Xianfeng Emperor's reign and is an example of Buddhist architecture. The temple is said to have been constructed without the use of nails. This evening, the captain will host a welcome reception before a lavish dinner is served. **(BLD)**

Day 14: Yangtze Gorges

Prepare for breathtaking vistas as the ship passes through Wu and Qutang Gorges. Switching to smaller vessels, take a relaxing trip on the Lesser Three Gorges Stream or equally impressive Shennong Stream, cruising through the beautiful and narrow gorges for approximately 15 kilometres. Many protected species make the stunning peaks their home, including monkeys, mountain goats, deer and wild boar. There will also be an optional excursion to The White Emperor City (own expense) and a range of on-board activities to take part in. **(BLD)**

Day 15: Yichang to Shanghai

The Three Gorges Dam is a massive feat of engineering which 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. Continue upstream, passing through the Xiling Gorge, where the ship must negotiate the five-tiered Three Gorges Dam ship lock. Disembark, drive to Wuhan and fly to Shanghai. Stay the next two nights at Fairmont Peace Hotel. **(BL)**

Day 16: Shanghai

Walk in the Yu Garden, a classic example of traditional Chinese horticulture. Home to exquisite jade rock, goldfish ponds and stunning pavilions, the Yu Garden is one of the most perfect examples of Chinese garden styles in China. Admire the magnificent colonial architecture that lines the Huangpu River with a stroll along the Bund. Visit a Silk Museum and the Old Town, before admiring the collections of the Shanghai Museum. Sprawled across five floors, the museum was designed to resemble a Chinese vessel known as a Ding. Enjoy a farewell dinner at Meiyuancun and toast the end of the tour with a cocktail at Cloud 9 in Jin Mao Tower with views of the Pudong skyline. **(BLD)**

Day 17: Shanghai

On your last day, enjoy free time until your departure transfer to Shanghai airport. **(B)**

Includes:

- 13 nights hotel accommodation
- 3 nights cruise accommodation
- Flight from Beijing to Xian
- Flight from Xian to Lhasa
- Flight from Lhasa to Chengdu
- Flight from Wuhan to Shanghai
- Tours, transfers and admissions as per itinerary
- Tibet permit for New Zealand passport holders
- National Escort • Local English-speaking guides
- Maximum 18 passengers
- All transportation included as per itinerary
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner) • Tips (paid on arrival)
- One way transfer from Beijing airport to Beijing accommodation Day 1
- One way transfer from Shanghai accommodation to Shanghai airport on Day 17

Departs: From Beijing
2017: • May 12 • Sep 8 • Oct 13

Concludes: Shanghai

Note: The Tibet Autonomous Region may be closed by the Chinese authorities at any given time without notice. Such closures may impact the ability to travel in or to Tibet. This tour reaches a maximum altitude of 5,510 metres in Lhasa. Some travellers may suffer altitude sickness. If you are concerned about the effects of altitude sickness, please consult your doctor prior to travel. Travellers should be in good physical condition due to the high altitude.

Tour Grading: Moderate
(Refer to page 4 for details)

FROM PRICE:

Adult twin share	\$10240
Adult sole use	\$13900

Tipping: The above prices do not include a mandatory tip of RMB1340. This tip is payable on arrival in China and subject to change. Refer to page 4 for details.

Price valid for departures 12 May, 8 Sep, 13 Oct 17. Departures from April to October 2018 are also available. Ask your travel agent for prices for other departure dates.

Small Group Journeys



Great Wall of China

Is a Small Group Journey for you?

Small Group Journeys offer you the chance to experience Asia like an insider. With the perfect balance of organised experiences and flexibility, you will have an authentic travel experience within China. Everyone is different so it's important to choose the tour that best suits your individual requirements. If your answers to the below are mostly yes, then a Small Group Journey will suit you perfectly.

I want to travel in a small group

With an average of 12 and a guaranteed maximum of only 16 people, travelling in a small group ensures more personal attention, flexibility and independence. Small group travel means more than just a smaller bus and less waiting; it means greater independence and an authentic experience.

I want to experience China like a local

With passionate local guides and Insider Experiences on each journey, you will gain an insider's perspective of your destination and return home with amazing memories to share.

I want a Western tour leader and local knowledge

When you travel on a Small Group Journey, you'll have the best of both worlds – local English-speaking guides and expert Western tour leaders (when group size reaches seven or more). That way you'll always travel with an insider who'll introduce you to truly Chinese experiences, as well as someone who understands your culture and your needs.

I want to stay in hand-picked accommodation

Stay in quality hand-picked hotels, confirmed at time of booking, which have been selected for comfort, location and provide insight into the area. Upgrade to Gold accommodation and get the same great touring each day, but retire in the evenings to one of the best hotels available in the region.

I want a guaranteed departure

Each Small Group Journey is guaranteed to operate once two travellers have booked and paid on that departure.

I am a single traveller

Single travellers can join a Small Group Journey without having to pay a single supplement by choosing to travel on a 'Willing to Share' room basis (excludes Gold accommodation options). If you aren't able to be matched with a fellow traveller of the same sex, you will stay in a single room and only pay the twin share price. Alternatively, pay a single supplement and be guaranteed your own room.

Small Group Journeys Include

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Hand-picked accommodation
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Breakfast daily, some lunches and dinners
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Insider Experiences (see below)
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All transport, touring and admission fees
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Flexibility and spontaneity
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Maximum 16 passengers
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Western tour leader (when group size reaches seven or more)
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Local English-speaking guides
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Arrival and departure transfers on first and last day of tour

Insider Experiences

Small Group Journeys aim to connect you to an authentic China experience. Each guide is an insider who will get you up close and personal with your destination so you come home with amazing stories to tell.

Unique

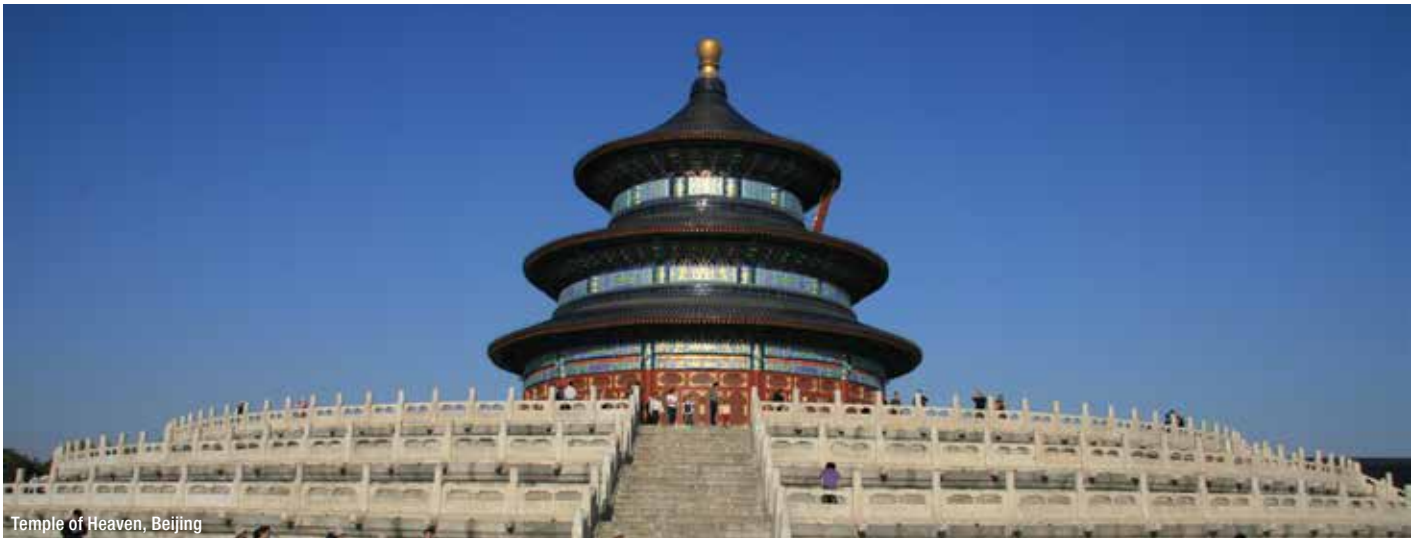
- Experience Tibetan culture in the charming town of Xiahe. Visit a local family home and a fascinating nunnery to gain an insight into local life (see page 31 for details).
- Join an English language group in Chengdu and help the local people develop their English skills (see page 29 for details).
- Cycle along the City Walls in Xian to gain a different perspective of one of China's oldest cities (see pages 28, 30 and 32 for details).

Local

- Learn about rural life in southern China with an interactive visit to a farming village in Yangshuo (see pages 30 and 32 for details).
- Stroll through Xian's lively City Park and join the locals as they complete their morning exercise routines (see pages 28 and 30 for details).
- On the peaceful banks of the Li River near Yangshuo, get a hands-on Tai Chi lesson with a Tai Chi master (see pages 30 and 32 for details).

Taste

- Get to know a local family when you share a tasty, homemade lunch in a hutong after a fun rickshaw ride through the busy alleyways of Beijing (see pages 28, 29, 30 and 32 for details).
- Enjoy a delicious local breakfast at one of your local guides' favourite breakfast spots (see pages 28, 29, 30 and 32 for details).
- Dine on a delicious lunch which includes traditional hand-pulled noodles, with a Uighur family – a touching personal exchange (see page 31 for details).



Temple of Heaven, Beijing

Small Group Journey Accommodation

All accommodation options featured on Small Group Journeys have been selected for their local history, style and location. This page features a selection of hotels used in the tours on pages 28 to 33. On some journeys, a Gold property upgrade is available.



Novotel Beijing Xinqiao

Beijing

Classic: Novotel Beijing Xinqiao

This bright and pleasant hotel is well located within walking distance of Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City. With Western comforts and spacious, tastefully-decorated guestrooms, it is a wonderful base in the capital.

Gold: Regent Beijing International

Located just a heartbeat away from the Forbidden City, Regent Beijing International is a luxury hotel. The combination of traditional Chinese hospitality and modern design create a sanctuary of tranquility.



Sofitel Xian on Renmin Square

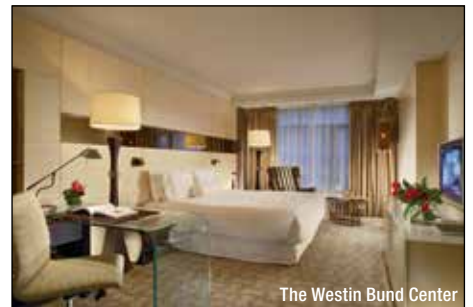
Xian

Classic: Mercure Xian on Renmin Square

Conveniently located on Renmin Square, this property is in the heart of Xian Old City, with the historic Bell Tower and Muslim Quarter just one kilometre away. Each modern room is simple with clean lines and contemporary décor.

Gold: Sofitel Xian on Renmin Square

Located in the heart of town, this luxury property is one of the city's finest. Incorporating historical elements into chic modern design, enjoy sophisticated features as well as the relaxing spa and pool.



The Westin Bund Center

Shanghai

Classic: Merry Hotel Shanghai

The Merry Hotel Shanghai offers spotless, comfortable rooms that are tastefully decorated. There are many modern facilities and a delicious breakfast is served. The hotel's great location is within easy reach of Shanghai's majestic Bund.

Gold: The Westin Bund Center Shanghai

With its unbeatable location just off the historic Bund, state-of-the-art facilities and wonderful service, this luxury hotel is an excellent property. Rooms feature Art Deco décor and views across the stunning skyline.



Guilin Bravo Hotel

Guilin

Classic: Guilin Bravo Hotel

Just 10 minutes from the local night market, this hotel sits in a lovely lakeside setting in the centre of Guilin. Each room is simply furnished in warm tones with a range of amenities.

Gold: Sheraton Guilin

On the banks of the Li River, Guilin's first international five-star hotel boasts contemporary styling and great facilities including a refreshing pool. Each room is sleek, modern and well-appointed.



Green Lotus River View

Yangshuo

Classic: Days Inn Frontier

Located on the Li River, this property is just a 15 minute walk to the centre of town and popular West Street. The hotel offers comfortable well-appointed rooms with modern décor, a restaurant and lobby bar, and offers free Wi-Fi to all guests.

Gold: Green Lotus River View

Integrating its stunning setting with the architecture of local ethnic minorities, this delightful property boasts a central location, comfortable rooms and a relaxing outdoor swimming pool area.



Victoria Jenna

Yangtze River

Classic & Gold: Victoria Jenna

Private balconies allow intimate viewing of the magnificent Yangtze. Rooms are well-appointed and thoughtfully designed with a full range of activities on board. Choose the Classic option and stay in a Superior cabin. Alternatively, select the Gold option and stay in a spacious Executive Suite with a special amenities package. Victoria Jenna is featured on Three Gorges Discovery (P.29) and Yangtze & Beyond (P.32).

Small Group Journeys

10 Day Highlights of China



Great Wall of China



Terracotta Warriors



Shanghai Acrobats



HIGHLIGHTS:

- Shanghai • Zhujiajiao • Terracotta Warriors
- Xian Muslim Quarter • Beijing
- Forbidden City • Great Wall of China

Day 1: Shanghai

On arrival in Shanghai, transfer to your hotel. Stay the next three nights at Merry Hotel Shanghai (Classic option) or The Westin Bund Center Shanghai (Gold option).

Day 2: Shanghai

Enjoy a city tour of Shanghai and discover the historical riverfront area known as the Bund. Visit a silk factory to learn more about the ancient practice of silk production in China. Veer off the typical tourist trail to one of the oldest neighbourhoods in Shanghai located near the lovely, serene Confucius Temple, far from the tourist crowds. Later, head to the Old Chinese Quarter to take a relaxing walk through the peaceful Yu Garden. This evening, enjoy an enthralling performance by the Shanghai acrobats. (B)

Day 3: Zhujiajiao

Head out to the suburbs of Shanghai to the charming old world atmosphere of nearby Zhujiajiao, a traditional water canal town. Enjoy a short peaceful canal cruise and stroll to absorb the century-old Chinese town atmosphere. Back in Shanghai, visit the lesser known Propaganda Poster Art Centre, a unique private collection of original propaganda posters and artwork dating from the 1940s to 1970s. (B)

Day 4: Shanghai to Xian

Transfer to the airport and fly to Xian. This evening, you have an opportunity to sample Xian's famous local dumplings. Stay the next two nights at Mercure Xian on Renmin Square (Classic option) or Sofitel Xian on Renmin Square (Gold option). (B)

Day 5: Xian

Take a short drive to the truly remarkable Army of Terracotta Warriors. Still under excavation, the thousands of life sized Terracotta Warriors and Horses were only unearthed in 1974 after being buried for 2,000 years. After lunch, you have an opportunity to visit a Terracotta Warrior Factory. (B)

Day 6: Xian to Beijing

Start the day with a stroll through Xian's City Park. In the early mornings the area is alive with local people exercising and enjoying a range of activities. Continue with a visit to the Big Wild Goose Pagoda and onto the heart of Xian's Muslim Quarter to visit the Great Mosque. End your tour with a bike ride atop Xian's Old City Walls. This afternoon, board the high-speed train (Classic option) or fly (Gold option) to Beijing. On arrival, transfer to your hotel. Stay the next four nights at Novotel Beijing Xinqiao (Classic option) or Regent International Beijing (Gold option). (B)

Day 7: Beijing

Walk through Tiananmen Square. From Tiananmen Square continue on foot passing through the beautiful Gate of Heavenly Peace to enter the splendid Forbidden City. Head into one of Beijing's few remaining hutongs in the backstreets of the city. Stop by a hutong family home and enjoy a delicious local lunch before hopping on rickshaws for more close-up glimpses of local life. Take a short stroll to the city's famous Drum Tower and climb the steps to the top of the tower in time to see a display of the traditional beating of the drums. In your free time this evening, you may like to explore the Wangfujing night markets to see and try a huge array of gastronomic wonders from around China. (BL)

Day 8: Beijing

Eat breakfast as the locals do at one of your local guides' favourite breakfast spots. See one of China's most iconic temples, the Temple of Heaven and head to the Beijing Planning Exhibition Hall. This afternoon, visit the magnificent Summer Palace, filled with temples, pavilions, gardens and decorated corridors. (B)

Day 9: Great Wall of China

Travel to Mutianyu, 90 kilometres north-east of Beijing, to visit China's most famous attraction – the Great Wall of China. Take the cable car up to the wall from where you can take time to walk or climb sections, admiring the panoramic views. This evening, join your group for a special farewell Peking Duck dinner at one of Beijing's fine local restaurants to celebrate the end of a fascinating journey. (BD)

Day 10: Beijing

On your last day, enjoy free time until your departure transfer to Beijing airport. (B)

Includes:

- 9 nights hotel accommodation
- Flight from Shanghai to Xian
- Flight Xian to Beijing (Gold option)
- Bullet train from Xian to Beijing (Classic option)
- Tours, transfers and admissions as per itinerary
- Western tour leader (when group size reaches 7 or more)
- Local English-speaking guides
- Maximum 16 passengers
- All transportation included as per itinerary
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)
- One way transfer from Shanghai airport to Shanghai accommodation on Day 1
- One way transfer from Beijing accommodation to Beijing airport on Day 10

Departs: From Shanghai
 2017: • Mar 22
 • Apr 12
 • May 17, 24
 • Jun 14
 • Aug 16
 • Sep 6, 20
 • Oct 18, 25
 • Nov 8
 2018: • Mar 21

Concludes: Beijing

Tour Grading: Comfortable
 (Refer to page 4 for details)

FROM PRICE:	CLASSIC	GOLD
Adult twin share/ Willing to share	\$3886	\$4978
Adult sole use	\$4886	\$6906

Price valid for departure 22 Mar 17. Departures from April to December 2018 are also available. Ask your travel agent for prices for other departure dates. Willing to Share option is not available for Gold option.

14 Day Three Gorges Discovery



Yangtze River



Xian City Walls



Giant Panda



HIGHLIGHTS:

- Beijing • Great Wall of China • Xian
- Terracotta Warriors • Giant Pandas
- Three Gorges • Yangtze River Cruise • Shanghai

Days 1-3: Beijing

On arrival in Beijing, transfer to your hotel. Meet your tour leader (or local guide) and your group for welcome drinks and a tour briefing. Walk through Tiananmen Square before passing through the beautiful Gate of Heavenly Peace to enter the splendid Forbidden City. Head into one of Beijing's few remaining hutongs and stop by a hutong family home for a delicious local lunch. Take a short stroll to the city's famous Drum Tower. Travel to Mutianyu to visit the Great Wall of China and take the cable car up to the wall from where you can walk or climb sections to admire the panoramic views. This evening, you will have a chance to feast on Beijing's famous Peking Duck for dinner (own expense). Stay three nights at Novotel Beijing Xinqiao. **(2B,1L)**

Days 4-5: Beijing to Xian

See one of China's most iconic temples, the Temple of Heaven and head to the Beijing Planning Exhibition Hall. Visit the magnificent Summer Palace and wander through the extensive grounds. Transfer to the railway station for an evening journey by high-speed train to Xian. Enjoy a tour of this culturally diverse and very exotic Chinese city. Start with a visit to the Big Wild Goose Pagoda and continue onto the heart of Xian's Muslim Quarter to visit the Great Mosque. Walk through the Muslim Quarter to enjoy its lively street markets and fascinating local foods. End your tour with a bike ride atop the imposing Old City Walls which date back to the 14th century. This evening, you have an opportunity to sample Xian's famous local dumplings at a local restaurant. Stay two nights at Mercure Xian on Renmin Square. **(2B)**

Days 6-7: Xian to Chengdu

Start the day with a stroll through Xian's City Park. Drive to the truly remarkable Army of Terracotta Warriors to explore this archaeological wonder. After lunch, visit a Terracotta Warrior Factory. Fly to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan province which is famous for its spicy cuisine. Rise early this morning

to visit the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding. See Giant Pandas as well as the lesser known Red Panda. Visit the peaceful gardens of Dufu's Cottage and stop at the outdoor teahouses. Visit an English language group where people gather to develop their English skills. Stay two nights at Chengdu Tianfu Sunshine Hotel. **(2B)**

Day 8: Chengdu to Chongqing

Transfer to Chengdu railway station for a journey by high-speed train to Chongqing, on the banks of the mighty Yangtze River. Stay the next three nights on the Victoria Jenna cruise ship. **(1B)**

Day 9: Yangtze Cruise

Leave the industrial surrounds of Chongqing behind and pass small towns whose existence is tied to the waters of the Yangtze. Your first stop is Shibaozhai. Rising to a height of 56 metres over 12 stories, every floor of this architectural gem is dedicated to famous generals of the Three Kingdoms period (AD220-65), local scholars and renowned Chinese poets. **(1B,1L,1D)**

Day 10: Three Gorges

Rise early to admire the magnificent river landscapes as your boat passes through the towering cliffs and mountains of the first and second gorges, Qutang and Wu Gorge. Take an excursion to 'Shennv Xi' (Goddess Stream) which flows from the southern bank of the Yangtze opposite Goddess Peak. Return to the ship and enter the third of the main gorges, Xiling Gorge, and this evening join the Captain's Banquet for dinner. Tonight the cruise ship will sail through the mighty five level shiplock and moor downstream of the Yangtze Three Gorges Dam. **(1B,1L,1D)**

Days 11-14: Yichang to Shanghai

Take an excursion to visit the incredible site of the Three Gorges Dam Project. Return to your cruise boat and continue sailing to Yichang, where you will disembark and take an afternoon flight to Shanghai. A city tour will take you to the historical riverfront area known as the Bund and visit a silk factory. Continue with a visit to the lovely Yu Garden before heading off the typical tourist trail again and wander through the backstreets around Yu Garden. This evening, view the world famous Chinese acrobats. Head out

to the charming old world atmosphere of nearby Zhujiajiao, a traditional water canal town. Join your group for a farewell dinner at one of Shanghai's fine local restaurants to celebrate the end of a fascinating journey. On your last day, enjoy free time until your departure transfer to Shanghai airport. Stay three nights at Merry Hotel Shanghai. **(4B,1D)**

Includes:

- 10 nights hotel accommodation
- 3 nights cruise accommodation
- Flight from Xian to Chengdu
- Flight Yichang to Shanghai
- Bullet train from Beijing to Xian
- Bullet train from Chengdu to Chongqing
- Tours, transfers and admissions as per itinerary
- Western tour leader (when group size reaches 7 or more) • Local English-speaking guides
- Maximum 16 passengers
- All transportation included as per itinerary
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)
- One way transfer from Beijing airport to Beijing accommodation on Day 1
- One way transfer from Shanghai accommodation to Shanghai airport on Day 14

Departs: From Beijing
 2017: • Mar 27 • Apr 10 • May 15
 • Jun 5 • Jul 3 • Aug 14
 • Sep 4, 11 • Oct 16, 30
 2018: • Mar 26

Concludes:

Shanghai
 Note: Cruise ships and itineraries are subject to change due to weather conditions and water levels.

Tour Grading: Comfortable
 (Refer to page 4 for details)

FROM PRICE:

Adult twin share/Willing to share **\$5586**
 Adult sole use **\$7060**

Price valid for departures 27 Mar, 5 Jun, 3 Jul, 14 Aug 17.
 Departures from April to December 2018 are also available.
 Ask your travel agent for prices for other departure dates.

Small Group Journeys

15 Day China Panorama



Longsheng



Giant Panda



Xian City Park



HIGHLIGHTS:

- Shanghai • Longsheng • Li River Cruise
- Giant Pandas • Terracotta Warriors
- Great Wall of China • Beijing

Days 1-3: Shanghai

On arrival in Shanghai, transfer to your hotel. Meet your tour leader (or local guide) and the rest of your group for welcome drinks and a tour briefing. Enjoy a city tour of Shanghai and discover the Bund before visiting a silk factory. Later head to the Old Chinese Quarter to take a relaxing walk through the peaceful Yu Garden. Head out to the charming old world atmosphere of nearby Zhujiajiao, a traditional water canal town. This evening, see the world famous Chinese acrobats. Stay three nights at Merry Hotel Shanghai. **(2B)**

Days 4-5: Shanghai to Guilin

Fly to Guilin, located on the banks of the Li River. Wander the laneways and feel the rhythm of local life in this sleepy town. Visit a tea plantation in the Guangxi countryside to learn about the cultivation of China's national drink, followed by a delicious tea tasting. Eat breakfast as the locals do at one of your local guides' favourite breakfast spots. Take a wonderful day trip from Guilin to Longsheng to explore some of China's beautiful rural countryside. Wander through the maze of little stone pathways and traditional wooden houses on stilts of the White Yao village, and take a short hike further up the mountain to admire some of China's most spectacular rice terrace scenery. Stay two nights at Guilin Bravo Hotel. **(2B)**

Days 6-7: Guilin to Yangshuo

Transfer to the pier to board your boat for a journey along the Li River. Spend the afternoon enjoying the colourful atmosphere of enchanting Yangshuo. On the peaceful banks of the Li River near Yangshuo, enjoy a hands-on Tai Chi lesson from a professional local instructor. Venture out to the farmlands surrounding Yangshuo for a fascinating farming village experience where you will gain an insight into life in this part of rural China over a cup of tea in a family home. Stay two nights at Days Inn Frontier. **(2B)**

Day 8: Yangshuo to Chengdu

Return to Guilin and fly to Chengdu. Transfer to your hotel before visiting Dufu's Cottage, a famed poet. Wander through the peaceful gardens surrounding the cottage and then continue to the bustling People's Park. Visit an English language group where people gather to develop their English skills. This is great way to meet Chengdu locals and they relish the chance to practise their language skills. Overnight at Chengdu Tianfu Sunshine Hotel. **(1B)**

Days 9-10: Chengdu to Xian

Rise early this morning to visit the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding. This afternoon, fly to the fascinating city of Xian. Start the day with a stroll through Xian's City Park which comes alive with local people exercising. Visit the Big Wild Goose Pagoda before continuing onto the heart of Xian's Muslim Quarter to visit the Great Mosque. End your tour with a bike ride atop Xian's imposing Old City Walls. This evening, you have an opportunity to sample Xian's famous local dumplings. Stay two nights at Mercure Xian on Renmin Square. **(2B)**

Days 11-12: Xian to Beijing

Drive to the truly remarkable Army of Terracotta Warriors. After lunch, visit a Terracotta Warrior Factory. Late this afternoon, transfer to the railway station to board the high-speed train to Beijing. On arrival, transfer to your hotel in the heart of Beijing. Walk through Tiananmen Square before passing through the Gate of Heavenly Peace to enter the splendid Forbidden City. Head into one of Beijing's few remaining hutongs in the backstreets of the city. Stop by a hutong family home and enjoy a delicious local lunch. Take a short stroll to the city's famous Drum Tower once used to mark the passing of time. Stay four nights at Novotel Beijing Xinqiao. **(2B,1L)**

Days 13-15: Beijing & Great Wall of China

See one of China's most iconic temples, the Temple of Heaven. Head to the Beijing Planning Exhibition Hall. Visit the magnificent Summer Palace and wander through the extensive grounds. Travel to Mutianyu, 90 kilometres north-east of Beijing, to visit China's most famous attraction – the Great

Wall of China. Take the cable car up to the wall from where you can take time to walk or climb sections, admiring the panoramic views and reflecting on the enormity of the material and labour required for its construction. Join your group for a special farewell Peking Duck dinner at one of Beijing's fine local restaurants to celebrate the end of a fascinating journey. On your last day, enjoy free time until your departure transfer to Beijing airport. **(3B,1L,1D)**

Includes:

- 14 nights hotel accommodation
- Flight from Shanghai to Guilin
- Flight from Guilin to Chengdu
- Flight from Chengdu to Xian
- Bullet train from Xian to Beijing
- Tours, transfers and admissions as per itinerary
- Western tour leader (when group size reaches 7 or more)
- Local English-speaking guides
- Maximum 16 passengers
- All transportation included as per itinerary
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)
- One way transfer from Shanghai airport to Shanghai accommodation on Day 1
- One way transfer from Beijing accommodation to Beijing airport on Day 15

Departs: From Shanghai
 2017: • Mar 25 • Apr 8 • May 13
 • Jun 3 • Jul 15, 29 • Aug 19
 • Sep 2, 16 • Oct 21 • Nov 4
 2018: • Mar 24

Concludes: Beijing

Tour Grading: Moderate
 (Refer to page 4 for details)

FROM PRICE:

Adult twin share/Willing to share **\$6184**
 Adult sole use **\$7524**

Price valid for departures 3 Jun, 15 Jul, 29 Jul, 19 Aug 17.
 Departures from April to December 2018 are also available.
 Ask your travel agent for prices for other departure dates.

16 Day Silk Road



Gobi Desert



Turpan



Labrang Monastery, Xiahe



HIGHLIGHTS:

- Xian • Xiahe
- Great Wall of China
- Jiayuguan
- Dunhuang
- Mogao Caves
- Turpan • Jiaohe Ancient City
- Kashgar Sunday Market
- Heavenly Lake • Urumqi

Days 1-2: Xian

On arrival in Xian, transfer to your hotel. Meet your tour leader (or local guide) and the rest of your group for welcome drinks and a tour briefing. Take a short drive to the truly remarkable Army of Terracotta Warriors. This evening, you have an opportunity to sample Xian's famous local dumplings. Stay two nights at Mercure Xian on Renmin Square. **(1B)**

Day 3: Xian to Lanzhou

Start the day with a stroll through Xian's City Park before continuing to the Big Wild Goose Pagoda. Make a brief stop at the official starting point of the Silk Road. This afternoon, fly to Lanzhou. Overnight at Lanzhou Legend Hotel. **(1B)**

Days 4-5: Lanzhou to Xiahe

Drive to Liujiaxia Dam and board small boats for a ride along the reservoir to the striking Bingling Si. Continue to the remote Tibetan monastery town of Xiahe situated at an altitude of 2,920 metres. Visit Labrang Monastery – one of the most important monasteries of the Gelukpa. Continue with a visit to a peaceful local nunnery and visit the home of a local Tibetan family. Stay two nights at Xiahe Labuleng Xiling. **(2B)**

Days 6-7: Xiahe to Jiayuguan via Lanzhou

Drive back to Lanzhou, stopping at Linxia to visit Nanguan Mosque, one of China's famous Islamic shrines. In Lanzhou, transfer to the railway station for the afternoon train to Jiayuguan. Travel out to visit the impressive Jiayuguan Pass Fort, situated on the outskirts of town. Whilst at the fort, visit the Great Wall Museum. Stay two nights at Jiayuguan Holiday Inn Hotel. **(2B)**

Day 8: Jiayuguan to Dunhuang

Journey across the arid desert landscape to the small town of Dunhuang. Head out to Crescent Moon Lake just south of the town to marvel at the amazing Mingsha sand dunes. Enjoy a camel ride to the foot of the sand dunes. Overnight at Dunhuang Tianrun Hotel. **(1B)**

Days 9-11: Dunhuang to Turpan

Visit the incredible Mogao Caves, China's richest treasure house of ancient Buddhist murals. Later, transfer to the railway station and board the train to Turpan. Visit the ancient ruins of Jiaohe, the capital of one of the 36 western kingdoms. Stop at the Karez Museum to learn more about the amazing ancient local irrigation system. Join a local Uighur family in their home for lunch, including traditional hand-pulled noodles, and an opportunity to learn more about Uighur customs. Wander through the Turpan bazaar, soaking up the atmosphere. Discover the red sandstone hills of the 'Flaming Mountains'. Visit Bezeklik Thousand Buddha Caves, located at a breathtaking site overlooking a high gorge. On your way back to Turpan, stop at the simple yet beautiful Emin Minaret. Stay three nights at Turpan Houzhou Hotel. **(3B,1L)**

Days 12-13: Turpan to Kashgar

Drive through the Gobi desert to the capital of Xinjiang province – Urumqi. In the afternoon, stop at the fantastic local Erdao Qiao Market where bolts of cloth, silk and cotton, carpets, kettles and traditional knives can be found amidst food stalls. This evening, transfer to the airport for your evening flight to Kashgar, a fascinating and unique Silk Road oasis town. Visit the peaceful Abakh Hoja Tomb, the resting place of a Muslim missionary and saint. Stop at Id Kah Mosque, the largest in China. Enjoy a fascinating walking tour of the old city. Stay two nights at Kashgar Tianyuan International. **(2B)**

Days 14-16: Kashgar to Urumqi

Visit the chaotic animal market, packed with sheep, goats, camels, cows, donkeys and horses. Discover the famous Bazaar and Sunday Market, the ultimate place to see the locals trading their goods and picking up new supplies. In the afternoon, fly to

Urumqi. Visit the beautiful Tianchi Lake (Heavenly Lake), an unforgettable sight. This deep blue lake is surrounded by lush rolling hills and set to a spectacular backdrop of the snow-capped Tianshan Mountain Range. Join your group for a farewell dinner to celebrate the end of a fascinating journey along the Silk Road. On your last day, enjoy free time until your departure transfer to Urumqi airport. Stay two nights at Bingtuan Grand Hotel. **(3B,1D)**

Includes:

- 15 nights hotel accommodation
- Flight from Xian to Lanzhou
- Flight from Urumqi to Kashgar
- Flight from Kashgar to Urumqi
- Bullet train from Lanzhou to Jiayuguan
- Bullet train from Dunhuang to Turpan
- Tours, transfers and admissions as per itinerary
- Western tour leader (when group size reaches 7 or more)
- Local English-speaking guides
- Maximum 16 passengers
- All transportation included as per itinerary
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)
- One way transfer from Xian airport to Xian accommodation on Day 1
- One way transfer from Urumqi accommodation to Urumqi airport on Day 16

Departs: From Xian
2017: • May 8 • Jul 17 • Sep 11
2018: • May 7

Concludes: Urumqi

Tour Grading: Active
(Refer to page 4 for details)

FROM PRICE:

Adult twin share/Willing to share **\$8204**
Adult solo use **\$9885**

Price valid for departure 8 May 17. Departures from June to December 2018 are also available. Ask your travel agent for prices for other departure dates.

18 Day Yangtze & Beyond



Li River



Terracotta Warriors



Yangtze Cruise Excursion



Shanghai

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Beijing
- Great Wall of China
- Terracotta Warriors
- Xian
- Longsheng
- Li River Cruise
- Yangtze River Cruise
- Shanghai

Days 1-3: Beijing

On arrival in Beijing, transfer to your hotel. Meet your tour leader (or local guide) and the rest of your group for a welcome drink and a tour briefing. Begin your exploration of this impressive capital city. Visit the Beijing Planning Exhibition Hall which provides a glimpse of the city's past and present development, as well as plans for the capital's future. Walk through Tiananmen Square before passing through the Gate of Heavenly Peace to enter the Forbidden City. Head into one of Beijing's few remaining hutongs in the backstreets of the city. Stop by a hutong family home and enjoy a delicious local lunch. Take a short stroll to the city's famous Drum Tower. Travel to Mutianyu to visit China's most famous attraction – the Great Wall of China. Take the cable car up to the wall from where you can take time to walk or climb sections, admiring the panoramic views and reflecting on the enormity of the material and labour required for its construction. This evening, you will have a chance to feast on Beijing's famous Peking Duck for dinner (own expense). Stay three nights at Novotel Beijing Xinqiao (Classic option) or Regent International Beijing (Gold option). **(2B,1L)**

Days 4-6: Beijing to Xian

See one of China's most iconic temples, the Temple of Heaven located within a vast park. Visit the magnificent Summer Palace and wander through the extensive grounds. Transfer to the railway station for an evening journey by high-speed train to Xian. Enjoy a tour of this culturally diverse and very exotic Chinese city. Start with a visit to the Big Wild Goose Pagoda. From this historic Buddhist site continue

onto the heart of Xian's Muslim Quarter to visit the Great Mosque. End your tour with a bike ride atop the imposing Old City Walls which date back to the 14th century. This evening, you have an opportunity to sample Xian's famous local dumplings. Start the day with a stroll through Xian's City Park. In the early mornings the area is alive with local people exercising and enjoying a range of activities like Tai Chi, ping-pong, badminton, Chinese calligraphy, even ballroom dancing! Take a short drive to the truly remarkable Army of Terracotta Warriors – one of the most important archaeological discoveries of the 20th century. After lunch, you have an opportunity for an educational visit to a Terracotta Warrior Factory to learn more about the complex production process of these fascinating artworks. Stay three nights at Mercure Xian on Renmin Square (Classic option) or Sofitel Xian on Renmin Square (Gold option). **(3B)**

Days 7-8: Xian to Guilin

Fly to Guilin, a city located on the banks of the Li River and famous for its unique limestone hill landscape. Climb the stone steps to the top of the local Fubo Hill to enjoy 360 degree views over Guilin. Venture off the beaten path to an intriguing river side village. Wander the laneways and feel the rhythm of local life in this sleepy town. Visit a tea plantation in the Guangxi countryside to learn about the cultivation of China's national drink, followed by a delicious tea tasting. Take a leisurely walking tour of the Central Square and lake area. Eat breakfast as the locals do at one of your local guides' favourite breakfast spots. Take a wonderful day trip from Guilin to Longsheng to explore some of China's beautiful rural countryside. Drive past some spectacular scenery of towering karst cliff landscapes and ascend the winding road that snakes up the mountainside to an area that is home to various ethnic minority groups. Wander through the maze of little stone pathways and traditional wooden houses on stilts of the White Yao village, and take a short hike further up the mountain to admire some of China's most spectacular rice terrace scenery. Stay two nights at Guilin Bravo Hotel (Classic option) or Sheraton Guilin (Gold option). **(2B)**



Days 9-10: Guilin to Yangshuo

Transfer to the pier to board your boat for a wonderful journey along the Li River. The boat journey takes you past tranquil farming and fishing scenes and picturesque villages. The main attraction, however, is the stunning limestone karsts that tower above the river creating a magical landscape of mountains and water. The small town of Yangshuo is set in the lush green rice paddies of southern China. Spend the afternoon walking the cobblestone streets, relax in a street side cafe, and enjoy the colourful atmosphere of this enchanting town. On the peaceful banks of the Li River near Yangshuo, get a hands-on Tai Chi lesson from a professional local instructor and learn more about the complexities of this ancient martial arts form. Venture out to the farmlands surrounding Yangshuo for a fascinating farming village experience. Learn about how farming is arranged and conducted in a typical village. You will also have the chance to learn more about life in this part of rural China over a cup of tea in a family home. Back in town, visit the local markets or indulge in some shopping in the assortment of street side stalls. Stay two nights at Days Inn Frontier (Classic option) or Green Lotus Hotel (Gold option). **(2B)**

Day 11: Yangshuo to Chongqing

Drive back to Guilin airport and fly to Chongqing. On arrival, make your way to the city for a short orientation tour as well as a visit to Chongqing Zoo to see the iconic Giant Pandas which are native to this region of China. This evening, make your way to the river port and board the boat for your cruise through some of the Yangtze River's most spectacular landscapes. Stay the next three nights on board the Victoria Jenna cruise ship. **(1B)**

Day 12: Yangtze River

Leave the industrial surrounds of Chongqing behind and pass small towns whose existence is tied to the waters of the Yangtze. Your first stop is Shibaozhai. Rising to a height of 56 metres over 12 stories, every floor of this architectural gem is dedicated to famous generals of the Three Kingdoms period (AD220-65), local scholars and renowned Chinese poets. This evening, enjoy a buffet dinner on board. **(1B,1L,1D)**

Day 13: Three Gorges

Rise early to admire the magnificent river landscapes as your boat passes through the first and second gorges, Qutang and Wu Gorge. Take an excursion to 'Shennv Xi' (Goddess Stream) which flows from the southern bank of the Yangtze opposite Goddess Peak. Later, return to the ship and enter the third of the main gorges, Xiling Gorge. This evening, join the Captain's Banquet for dinner. Tonight the cruise ship will sail through the mighty five level shiplock and moor downstream of the Yangtze Three Gorges Dam. **(1B,1L,1D)**

Days 14-18: Yichang to Shanghai

Visit the incredible site of the Three Gorges Dam Project. Return to your cruise boat and continue sailing to Yichang, where you will disembark and take an afternoon flight to Shanghai. On arrival in Shanghai, transfer to your hotel. Enjoy a city tour of Shanghai and discover the Bund before visiting a silk factory. From the Bund area head off to one of the oldest neighbourhoods in Shanghai near the lovely, serene Confucius Temple, far from the tourist crowds. Explore the temple and the surrounding backstreets to see some wonderful examples of old Shanghaiese architecture and glimpse local life. Head out to the charming old world atmosphere of nearby Zhujiajiao, a traditional water canal town. Browse through small stores selling local produce and souvenirs along Great North Street and see sites like the Qing Post Office. This evening, see the world famous Chinese acrobats. Back in Shanghai, visit one of the city's hidden gems – the lesser known Propaganda Poster Art Centre, a unique private collection of original propaganda posters and artwork dating from the 1940s to 1970s. Visit the peaceful Yu Garden – a beautiful example of traditional Chinese garden design. Later, veer off the typical tourist trail and wander through the backstreets around Yu Garden. Join your group for a farewell dinner at a fine local restaurant to celebrate the end of a fascinating journey. On your last day, enjoy free time until your departure transfer to Shanghai airport. Stay four nights at Merry Hotel Shanghai (Classic option) or The Westin Bund Center Shanghai (Gold option). **(5B,1D)**

Includes:

- 14 nights hotel accommodation
- 3 nights cruise accommodation
- Flight from Xian to Guilin
- Flight from Guilin to Chongqing
- Flight from Yichang to Shanghai
- Bullet train from Beijing to Xian
- Tours, transfers and admissions as per itinerary
- Western tour leader (when group size reaches 7 or more)
- Local English-speaking guides
- Maximum 16 passengers
- All transportation included as per itinerary
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)
- One way transfer from Beijing airport to Beijing accommodation on Day 1
- One way transfer from Shanghai accommodation to Shanghai airport on Day 18

Departs:

- From Beijing
 2017: • Mar 31 • Apr 7
 • May 5, 19 • Jun 2, 16
 • Jul 28 • Aug 11, 25
 • Sep 8 • Oct 13, 20
 • Nov 3
 2018: • Mar 30

Concludes:

Shanghai
 Note: Cruise ships and itineraries are subject to change due to weather conditions and water levels.

Tour Grading: Moderate
 (Refer to page 4 for details)

FROM PRICE:	CLASSIC	GOLD
Adult twin share/ Willing to share	\$6947	\$9586
Adult sole use	\$8761	\$13626

Price valid for departures 31 Mar, 2 Jun, 16 Jun, 28 Jul, 11 Aug, 25 Aug 17. Departures from April to December 2018 are also available. Ask your travel agent for prices for other departure dates. Willing to Share option is not available for Gold option.

Yangtze River Cruising



Daning River

Discover dramatic scenery, stunning beauty and man-made wonders as you set sail along China's largest river, the Yangtze.

Admire the magnificent river landscapes as you cruise through the Three Gorges. The shortest and most dramatic of the Three Gorges is the Qutang Gorge which has an entrance guarded by two mountains – Chijia Shan (Red Passage Mountain) and Baiyan Shan (White Salt Mountain). Known as 'Witches Gorge', Wu Gorge features 12 unique peaks which are often hidden in swirls of mist. The third gorge, Xiling is the Yangtze's main gorge, and is the longest and deepest with towering cliffs rising to over 1,200 metres.

Marvel at the enormity of the Three Gorges Dam Project which involved 30,000 labourers during construction. The project was completed in 2009, and saw 20 towns and approximately 1.3 million people relocated. This extraordinary monumental engineering feat provides a large portion of China's energy.

Yangtze River cruises depart and conclude in either Chongqing or Yichang. Chongqing is a mountain city which clings to the steep cliffs at the confluence of the Yangtze and Jialing Rivers. Yichang is a sleepy town situated at the entrance to the Xiling Gorge and has been transformed into the economic and cultural centre of Hubei province since the Three Gorges Dam Project.

5 Day Yangtze Cruise Sample Itinerary

Enjoy five unforgettable days cruising along the magnificent Yangtze River. The below itinerary can be experienced on some of the river's most luxurious and well-appointed ships including the Victoria Cruises' fleet and the Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Yichang • Three Gorges Dam • Xiling Gorge • Wu Gorge
- Qutang Gorge • Shibaozhai • Chongqing

Day 1: Yichang

Board the Yangtze cruise ship and sail from Yichang, the economic and cultural centre of western Hubei Province. Stay the next four nights on either a Victoria Cruises ship or Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer ship.

Day 2: Three Gorges Dam & Xiling Gorge

Visit the Three Gorges Dam at Sandouping before sailing the through the ship locks. Cruise through Xiling Gorge, the longest and the deepest of the Three Gorges. Depending on river conditions, take the opportunity to gain a glimpse into life in the Xiling Gorge region during a shore excursion. **(BLD)**

Day 3: Wu Gorge, Qutang Gorge & Goddess/Shennong Stream

Board a smaller boat to explore the gorges of Goddess Stream or Shennong Stream. Enter Wu Gorge, known for its beauty, forest-covered mountains and towering, sheer cliffs. Sail through Qutang Gorge, the shortest, narrowest and most dramatic gorge. Depending on river conditions, an alternate excursion may be substituted to the gorges of the Daning River. **(BLD)**

Day 4: Shibaozhai

Venture to Shibaozhai with Victoria Cruises on a shore excursion to see its impressive wooden pagoda. With Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer, head to Fengdu to visit the relocated village, a local kindergarten or local market. **(BLD)**

Day 5: Chongqing

On arrival in Chongqing, disembark the ship for your onward journey.

Includes:

- 4 nights onboard accommodation
- Tours, transfers and admissions as per itinerary
- Local English-speaking guides
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

Departs: Selected departures from Yichang

Concludes: Chongqing

Note: A 4 day/3 night reverse itinerary also available. Itinerary is subject to change depending on river conditions and ship. Ask your travel agent for departure details for Victoria Cruises and Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer ships.



Victoria Jenna



Executive Suite, Victoria Anna



Victoria Cruises

Victoria Cruises has been a leader in Yangtze River cruising for over 20 years. As the only American cruise line sailing on the Yangtze, Victoria Cruises offers one of the largest five-star fleets on the river. Be rewarded with impeccable service, a private balcony and personal touches as you uncover the fascinating Yangtze with Victoria Cruises.

Each cabin on every ship features a private balcony to ensure you have the opportunity to enjoy the spectacular views of the Three Gorges and passing rural scenery. A full-time Western Cruise Director and a river guide will ensure that you gain insights into the Yangtze. Attentive staff ensure a comfortable journey as you make the most of your time onboard relaxing and enjoying every moment of your cruising experience.

Enjoy Tai Chi on the deck, informative presentations and entertaining cabaret shows. Choose a range of dining experiences offering Chinese and Western dishes. On the final evening of each cruise an elegant Captain's Farewell Banquet is served. For a supplementary charge, enjoy dining in an à la carte dining room. With a range of onboard facilities, retreat to the bar, relax in the lounge or stay active in the fitness room. With a local English-speaking guide, experience the highlights of the Yangtze on shore excursions. Optional private shore excursions can be arranged (extra charge).

Victoria Grace, Sophia, Selina & Liana

Victoria Cruises offers four superior ships, which are smaller and more intimate. Each ship features cosy accommodation and impeccable service. Luxurious carpet and richly polished wood banisters grace the interior of the ship.

Victoria Anna, Katarina & Jenna

Affectionately known as Anna, Katarina and Jenna, these ships are the deluxe vessels of the Victoria Cruises' fleet. As the most spacious of the fleet, each ship has been constructed with Victoria Cruises' personal touches blending both modern and elegant architecture.

Note: Price based on a Main Deck Cabin on the 5 Day Yangtze Cruise itinerary featured above, valid 1 – 31 Mar, 1 Jun – 31 Aug, 1 Nov – 31 Dec 17. Other prices apply 1 Apr – 30 May, 1 Sep – 31 Oct 17, 1 Jan – 31 Mar 18. RMB150 compulsory service fee payable direct on arrival.

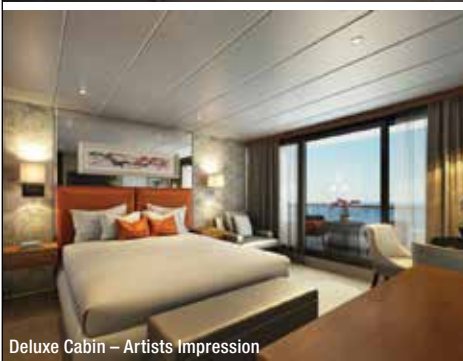
FROM PRICE:

Adult twin share	\$582
Adult sole use	\$1021

Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer



Suite – Artists Impression



Deluxe Cabin – Artists Impression



Newly refurbished in early 2017, the five-star luxury Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer takes cruising to a new standard in China. With the largest cabins and suites on the river, the highest crew to passenger ratio and a commitment to environmental friendliness and sustainability, this is a cruise unlike any other. Life aboard the spacious Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer is tranquil and unhurried. With only 62 cabins, and fewer passengers than other boats, the journey is more relaxed.

Carrying just 124 passengers, Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer offers the finest and most personalised service on the river. On-board facilities include à la carte dining, a luxury spa, an observation deck, 24 hour room service, a two floor theatre, library, and beauty and fitness facilities. The ship also has the most spacious and indulgent spa on board any cruise vessel on the Yangtze.

Cabins & Private Balconies

With 62 cabins including 38 deluxe cabins, 20 suites and four speciality suites, the Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer is the smallest and most exclusive ship which cruises the stunning Three Gorges regions of China. The cabins are elegant and beautifully appointed, and are among the most spacious available on the Yangtze. Each has either queen or twin beds and floor to ceiling windows which lead out to a private balcony, with a table and chairs to sit and watch the stunning scenery. Modern conveniences such as a mini bar, in-room safe and flatscreen satellite TV ensure a comfortable stay.

Quality Service

International standards of service are delivered by a one to one staff to guest ratio. This ensures that every level of comfort is catered for during the cruise and rivals that of a luxury hotel. Comforting turndown services and fruit is available for all guests to enjoy.

Cuisine

Dining on board the Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer is your chance to savour traditional Chinese cooking at its finest. A team of internationally trained chefs and a well-stocked wine cellar ensure dining aboard the Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer is a superb experience. Innovative à la carte menus featuring the finest

of Chinese and continental cuisine, served with complimentary house wines, local beers and other refreshments at all lunches and dinners, are hallmarks of the Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer experience. The chef is always at hand to cater for particular dietary requirements, or a special dinner with family and friends.

On-board Facilities

Complementing the natural beauty of the Yangtze River is a rich programme of onboard activities that highlight the remarkable wealth of China's vast cultural tradition. Tai Chi classes, Chinese cooking classes and hands-on calligraphy and silk embroidery workshops are just some of the engaging programmes available. A spa service is available for those who feel like being pampered and utilises the famous spa product, 'Comfort Zone' from Italy. Stay fit in the gym, or indulge in some retail therapy. Sip a cocktail as the sun goes down from one of the many bars, or enjoy an after dinner drink. Evenings feature live entertainment that includes the best of both East and West. Stay connected with free Wi-Fi at the Explorer Bar or wired internet connections in the Business Centre.

On Shore

With fewer passengers, shore excursions are intimate and engaging. Discover the Yangtze's treasures with knowledgeable English-speaking guides. Discover the fascinating sights of the Yangtze with unique small group on shore excursions which cater for a maximum of 18 people per group.

Note: Price based on a Deluxe Cabin on Main Deck on the 5 Day Yangtze Cruise itinerary featured on page 34, valid 16 – 30 Mar, 1 Jun – 31 Aug, 3 – 7 Sep 17. Other prices apply 1 Apr – 30 May, 1 – 2 Sep, 8 Sep 17 – 31 Mar 18.

We love it!

EARLY BIRD BONUS: Book a Deluxe Cabin or Standard Suite and pay in full more than 90 days prior to travel and receive 25% discount, valid 12 Mar – 29 Apr, 1 Jun – 9 Sep, 2 – 19 Nov 17 or 10% discount, valid 30 Apr – 31 May, 10 Sep – 2 Nov 17.

FROM PRICE:

Adult twin share	\$1580
Adult sole use	\$3008



Li River

Perfect for independent travellers, Short Stays allow you to explore China at your own pace. Enjoy the flexibility of travelling to each destination independently. Gain insights into China's highlights with a local English-speaking guide on private day tours as indicated in your itinerary.

Combine a range of Short Stays to design your very own custom itinerary, or add one to the beginning or end of your group tour if you wish to extend your time in China. You can choose your level of accommodation to meet your personal preferences and all other inclusions such as meals, local guides and touring are included as indicated.

From the iconic Great Wall of China in Beijing, Terracotta Warriors in Xian and Chengdu's Giant Pandas to the hidden treasures of Mt Huang, Dazhu and Tibet, this comprehensive range of Short Stays allows you to discover the highlights of a city or region in a short amount of time, ensuring you don't miss a thing. Plus, Short Stays offer you the opportunity to enjoy an in-depth exploration of China's unique and varied destinations.

Short Stays Include

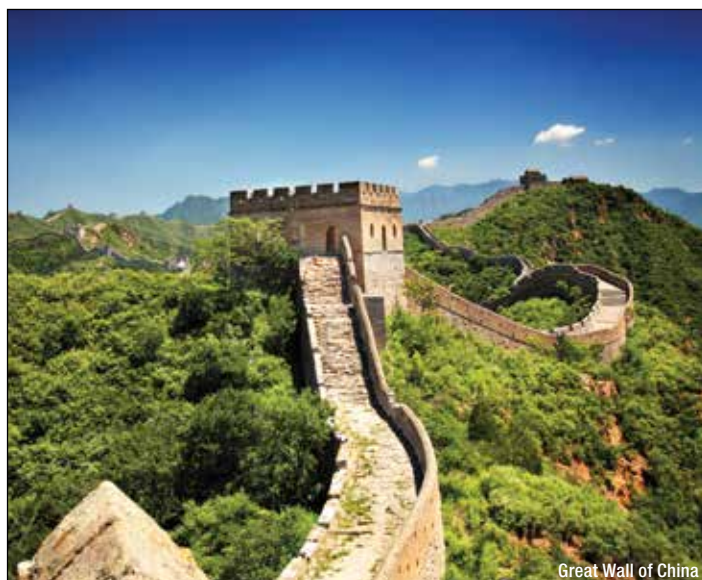
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All meals per itinerary



Great Wall of China



Great Wall of China

2 Day Beyond the Great Wall Short Stay

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Great Wall of China
- Local guesthouse

Day 1: Beijing to Great Wall of China

You will be met at your Beijing hotel and transferred to your basic guesthouse accommodation close to the Jinshanling section of the Great Wall. Construction began on the Jinshanling section during the rule of the Ming Dynasty. This part of the Great Wall is 11 kilometres long, seven to eight metres high and five to six metres wide and is made from brick and stone. Later this afternoon, enjoy a half day walk along the Great Wall of China. **(L)**

Day 2: Great Wall of China to Beijing

Rise early this morning and enjoy another half day walk along the Great Wall of China, taking in the view of the surrounding landscape. Later, you will be transferred to your Beijing accommodation or Beijing airport where your experience ends. **(B)**

Includes:

- 1 night basic guesthouse accommodation
- Private tours, transfers and admissions as indicated
- Local English-speaking guides
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch)

Departs: Daily from Beijing (Apr – Oct)

Returns: Beijing

Note: Price valid 1 Jun – 31 Aug 17. Other prices apply 1 Apr – 31 May, 1 Sep – 31 Oct 17. Ask your travel agent for details. Hikers should be in good physical condition.

FROM PRICE:	ADULT TWIN SHARE	ADULT SOLE USE
Standard	\$530	\$890



Forbidden City



Great Wall of China

4 Day Beijing Short Stay

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Forbidden City
- Temple of Heaven
- Summer Palace
- Great Wall of China

Day 1: Beijing

On arrival in Beijing, make your own way to the hotel. The rest of the day is yours to discover this ancient city. Stay the next three nights at Royal Phoenix Hotel Beijing (or similar).

Day 2: Great Wall of China

Visit China's most famous attraction, the Great Wall of China. It is more than 5,000 kilometres long, stretching from the Shanhaiguan Pass on the east coast to the Gobi Desert in the west. This afternoon, visit a jade factory and the Summer Palace, a royal garden and summer retreat for the emperors and their families. **(BL)**

Day 3: Forbidden City & Temple of Heaven

Start your sightseeing in Tiananmen Square, followed by the treasure-filled Forbidden City where you will pass under the famous portrait of Chairman Mao as you enter through the Gate of Supreme Harmony. After lunch, visit the 15th century Temple of Heaven, one of the most perfect examples of Ming architecture. **(BL)**

Day 4: Beijing

Your Beijing stay ends after check-out this morning. **(B)**

Includes:

- 3 nights hotel accommodation
- Private tours, transfers and admissions as indicated
- Local English-speaking guides
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch)

Departs: Daily from Beijing

Returns: Beijing

Note: Price valid 1 Jun – 31 Aug, 1 Nov – 31 Dec 17. Other prices apply 1 Apr – 31 May, 1 Sep – 31 Oct 17, 1 Jan – 31 Mar 18. Ask your travel agent for details.

FROM PRICE:	ADULT TWIN SHARE	ADULT SOLE USE
Standard	\$540	\$910
Superior	\$610	\$1030
Deluxe	\$870	\$1540



Xian City Walls



Terracotta Warriors

3 Day Xian Short Stay

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Terracotta Warriors
- Xian Art Ceramics & Lacquer Exhibition
- Ancient City Walls

Day 1: Xian

On arrival in Xian, make your own way to the hotel. The rest of the day is yours to discover this ancient city. Stay the next two nights at Grand Dynasty Culture Hotel (or similar).

Day 2: Terracotta Warriors

Visit the UNESCO World Heritage Listed Terracotta Warriors and Horses, one of the most significant archaeological discoveries of the 20th century. Emperor Qin Shi Huang is acclaimed by Chinese historians to have 'unified' the rival lands of China into a single empire. Thousands of people worked for more than a decade to create the life-sized army to defend the emperor's tomb and protect him in the afterlife. Later, head back to Xian and visit the Xian Art Ceramics & Lacquer Exhibition and walk along the ancient City Wall, one of the best preserved in all of China. **(BL)**

Day 3: Xian

Your Xian stay ends after check-out this morning. **(B)**

Includes:

- 2 nights hotel accommodation
- Private tours, transfers and admissions as indicated
- Local English-speaking guides
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch)

Departs: Daily from Xian

Returns: Xian

Note: Price valid 1 Jun – 31 Aug, 1 Nov – 31 Dec 17. Other prices apply 1 Apr – 31 May, 1 Sep – 31 Oct 17, 1 Jan – 31 Mar 18. Ask your travel agent for details.

FROM PRICE:	ADULT TWIN SHARE	ADULT SOLE USE
Standard	\$370	\$550
Superior	\$430	\$670
Deluxe	\$510	\$950



Forbidden City



Terracotta Warriors

7 Day Beijing & Xian Short Stay

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Forbidden City • Temple of Heaven • Great Wall of China • Terracotta Warriors

Day 1: Beijing

On arrival in Beijing, make your own way to the hotel. Stay the next four nights at Royal Phoenix Hotel Beijing (or similar).

Day 2: Forbidden City & Temple of Heaven

This morning, visit Tiananmen Square, the expansive Forbidden City and the Temple of Heaven. In the evening, sample the local specialty, Peking Duck. **(1B,1L,1D)**

Day 3: Great Wall of China

Enjoy a walk along the Great Wall taking in the panoramic views. Tour the underground Ming Tombs and the Sacred Way. **(1B,1L)**

Day 4: Lama Temple & Summer Palace

Visit the Lama Temple, China's most renowned Buddhist temple outside of Tibet, and later visit the picturesque Summer Palace. **(1B,1L)**

Day 5: Beijing to Xian

Travel to Beijing airport and fly to Xian. The rest of the day is yours to explore the city of Xian. Stay the next two nights at Grand Dynasty Culture Hotel (or similar). **(1B)**

Days 6-7: Terracotta Warriors

This morning, visit the Terracotta Warriors. See the Xian Art Ceramics & Lacquer Exhibition and walk along the ancient City Wall and through the Muslim Quarter. This evening, enjoy a performance of traditional Tang Dynasty dancing. On your last day, your journey will end after check-out. **(2B,1L)**

Includes:

- 6 nights hotel accommodation • Flight from Beijing to Xian
- Private tours, transfers and admission as indicated • Local English-speaking guides
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

Departs: Daily from Beijing

Concludes: Xian

Note: Price valid 1 Jun – 31 Aug, 1 Nov – 31 Dec 17. Other prices apply 1 Apr – 31 May, 1 Sep – 31 Oct 17, 1 Jan – 31 Mar 18. Ask your travel agent for details.

FROM PRICE:	ADULT TWIN SHARE	ADULT SOLE USE
Standard	\$1360	\$2010
Superior	\$1490	\$2320
Deluxe	\$1890	\$2990



Shanghai



Yu Garden

3 Day Shanghai Short Stay

HIGHLIGHTS:

- The Bund
- Shanghai Museum
- Yu Garden
- Pudong
- Old Town

Day 1: Shanghai

On arrival in Shanghai, make your own way to the hotel. The rest of the day is yours to discover this bustling city. Stay the next two nights at Greenland Jiulong Hotel (or similar).

Day 2: The Bund, Pudong, Yu Garden & the Old Town

Visit the famous historical riverfront area known as the Bund and view the Pudong area, including the iconic Oriental Pearl Tower, across the river. See the superb antiques and fine arts at the Shanghai Museum and visit a silk museum. Head to the Old Town where cobblestone streets are lined with traditional shops. Enjoy a relaxing walk through Yu Garden, the inspiration for willow pattern china. **(BL)**

Day 3: Shanghai

Your Shanghai stay ends after check-out this morning. **(B)**

Includes:

- 2 nights hotel accommodation
- Private tours, transfers and admissions as indicated
- Local English-speaking guides
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch)

Departs: Daily from Shanghai

Returns: Shanghai

Note: Price valid 1 Jun – 31 Aug, 1 Nov – 31 Dec 17. Other prices apply 1 Apr – 31 May, 1 Sep – 31 Oct 17, 1 Jan – 31 Mar 18. Ask your travel agent for details.

FROM PRICE:	ADULT TWIN SHARE	ADULT SOLE USE
Standard	\$450	\$720
Superior	\$470	\$760
Deluxe	\$590	\$1140



West Lake



Suzhou Garden

5 Day Suzhou & Hangzhou Short Stay

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Master of the Nets Garden • Grand Canal
- Markets • Tea tasting • Temple of Inspired Seclusion

Day 1: Shanghai to Suzhou

This morning you will be met at your Shanghai hotel and transferred to Suzhou, a town famous for its traditional landscaped gardens. Stay the next two nights at Suzhou Garden Hotel (or similar).

Day 2: Master of the Nets Garden & Grand Canal

Enjoy a tour of the Master of the Nets Garden and see the inner garden with its 'master's study' of Ming-style furnishings and architecture. Next, wander around the Humble Administrator's Garden, with its many ponds, bridges and islands of bamboo, before cruising along a section of the Grand Canal. **(BL)**

Day 3: Hangzhou

Travel to Hangzhou, a place of natural beauty and harmony between nature and man. Take a stroll through the local markets and enjoy oriental tea tasting. Stay the next two nights at Culture Plaza Hotel Zhejiang (or similar). **(BL)**

Day 4: Temple of Inspired Seclusion & West Lake

Visit the Temple of Inspired Seclusion, which is the largest temple in southern China, and Six Harmonies Pagoda, before relaxing with a cruise on West Lake. **(BL)**

Day 5: Shanghai

Return to Shanghai where upon arrival at your hotel your journey ends. **(B)**

Includes:

- 4 nights hotel accommodation
- Private tours, transfers and admissions as indicated
- Local English-speaking guides
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch)

Departs: Daily from Shanghai

Returns: Shanghai

Note: Price valid 1 Jun – 31 Aug, 1 Nov – 31 Dec 17. Other prices apply 1 Apr – 31 May, 1 Sep – 31 Oct 17, 1 Jan – 31 Mar 18. Ask your travel agent for details.

FROM PRICE:	ADULT TWIN SHARE	ADULT SOLE USE
Standard	\$1150	\$2040
Superior	\$1210	\$2140
Deluxe	\$1590	\$2790



Mt Huang



Cable Car, Mt Huang

5 Day Mt Huang Short Stay

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Mt Huang • Tunxi • Ancient villages • Mt Huang cable car

Day 1: Shanghai to Tunxi

You will be met at your Shanghai hotel and transferred to the airport for your flight to Tunxi, at the foot of Mt Huang. Overnight at Guomai Hotel (or similar).

Day 2: Tunxi to Mt Huang

Take a cable car to the summit of Mt Huang, a World Heritage Listed site. 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 and poets for centuries. Overnight at Beihai Hotel (or similar). **(BL)**

Day 3: Mt Huang to Tunxi

Take the cable car down to the base of the mountain and explore the ancient town of Tunxi. Overnight at Guomai Hotel (or similar). **(BL)**

Day 4: Tunxi to Shanghai

Enjoy a half day tour visiting nearby villages and experience the local lifestyle. Most of the housing in this area dates back to the Ming and Qing dynasties. Later, transfer to Tunxi railway station and board an overnight soft sleeper train back to Shanghai. Overnight on a sleeper train. **(BL)**

Day 5: Shanghai

Upon arrival at Shanghai railway station early this morning, your experience ends.

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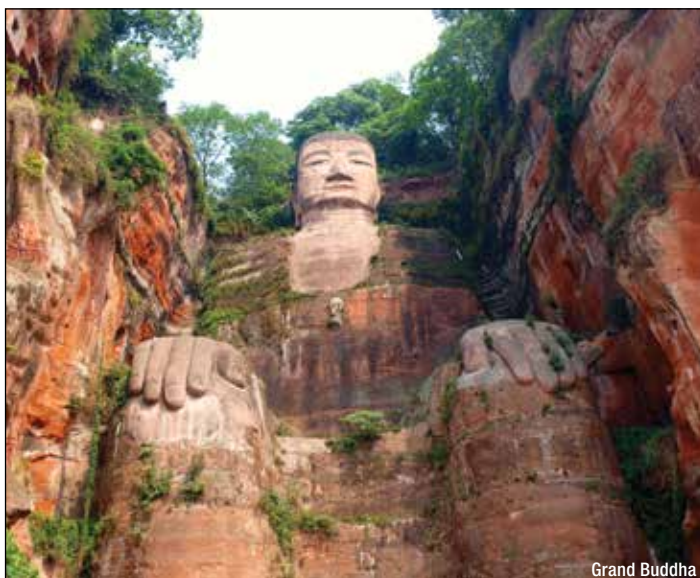
- 3 nights hotel accommodation
- 1 night on board soft sleeper train in a shared four-berth compartment from Tunxi to Shanghai
- Flight from Shanghai to Tunxi
- Private tours, transfers and admissions as indicated
- Local English-speaking guides • Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch)

Departs: Daily from Shanghai

Returns: Shanghai

Note: Price valid 1 – 30 Apr, 4 May – 30 Sep, 8 Oct – 31 Dec 17. Other prices apply 1 – 3 May, 1 – 7 Oct 17, 1 Jan – 31 Mar 18. Ask your travel agent for details.

FROM PRICE:	ADULT TWIN SHARE	ADULT SOLE USE
Superior	\$1370	\$1940



Grand Buddha



Giant Panda

4 Day Chengdu Short Stay

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Giant Pandas
- Shu Brocade Museum
- Grand Buddha

Day 1: Chengdu

On arrival in Chengdu, make your own way to the hotel. The rest of the day is yours to discover the city. Stay the next three nights at Chengdu Xinliang Hotel (or similar).

Day 2: Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding

Enjoy a tour of the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding to see these beloved animals in an environment similar to their natural habitat. Later, visit the Shu Brocade Museum and the Dujiangyan Irrigation Project. **(BL)**

Day 3: Leshan & the Grand Buddha

Travel to Leshan where you can marvel at the Grand Buddha. Carved into the side of Lingyun Mountain, the Buddha is 71 metres tall and wide enough for more than 100 people to sit between its feet. **(BL)**

Day 4: Chengdu

Your Chengdu stay ends after check-out this morning. **(B)**

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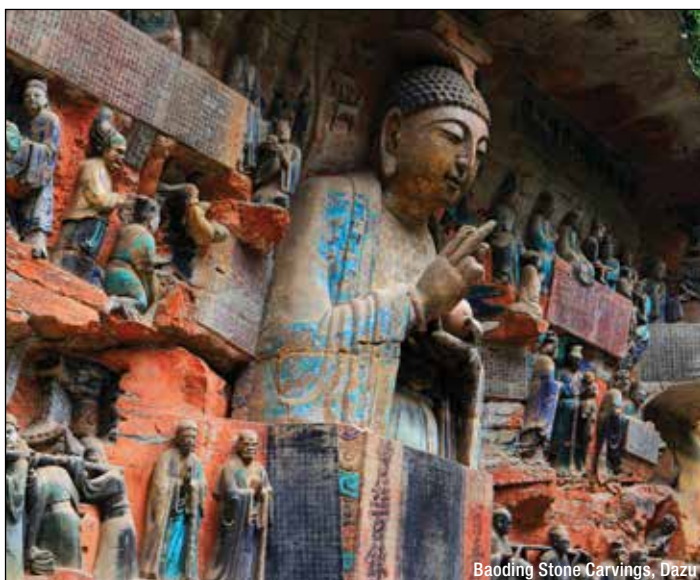
- 3 nights hotel accommodation
- Private tours, transfers and admissions as indicated
- Local English-speaking guides
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch)

Departs: Daily from Chengdu

Returns: Chengdu

Note: Price valid 1 Jun – 31 Aug, 1 Nov – 31 Dec 17. Other prices apply 1 Apr – 31 May, 1 Sep – 31 Oct 17, 1 Jan – 31 Mar 18. Ask your travel agent for details.

FROM PRICE:	ADULT TWIN SHARE	ADULT SOLE USE
Standard	\$910	\$1580
Superior	\$940	\$1580
Deluxe	\$1260	\$2330



Baoding Stone Carvings, Dazu



Ciqikou Old Town, Chongqing

4 Day Dazu & Chongqing Short Stay

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Beishan Frescoes
- Baoding Stone Carvings
- Ciqikou Old Town
- Three Gorges Museum

Day 1: Chengdu to Dazu

You will be met at your Chengdu hotel and transferred to Dazu. This afternoon, enjoy a half day tour visiting the Beishan Frescoes. Overnight at Tianyou Hotel (or similar). **(L)**

Day 2: Dazu to Chongqing

Visit the Baoding Stone Carvings before travelling to Chongqing. In the afternoon, visit Erlin Park and tour the General Stilwell Museum and People's Hall. Stay the next two nights at Ramada Plaza, Dazu (or similar). **(BL)**

Day 3: Ciqikou Old Town & Three Gorges Museum

Enjoy a full day of touring the Ciqikou Old Town, Huguang Guild Hall, the largest architectural complex of guild halls south of the Yangtze River, and Three Gorges Museum, dedicated to preserving the history and culture of the Three Gorges area. This evening, enjoy a sumptuous dinner of Chongqing cuisine. **(BLD)**

Day 4: Chongqing

Your journey ends after check-out this morning. **(B)**

Includes:

- 3 nights hotel accommodation
- Private tours, transfers and admissions as indicated
- Local English-speaking guides
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

Departs: Daily from Chengdu

Concludes: Chongqing

Note: Price valid 1 Apr – 31 Dec 17. Other prices apply 1 Jan – 31 Mar 18. Ask your travel agent for details.

FROM PRICE:	ADULT TWIN SHARE	ADULT SOLE USE
Standard	\$1400	\$2420
Superior	\$1460	\$2590
Deluxe	\$1520	\$2780



Dr Sun Yat-Sen Memorial



Temple of Six Banyan Trees

3 Day Guangzhou City Stay

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Dr Sun Yat-Sen Memorial Hall
- Yuexiu Park
- Temple of Six Banyan Trees
- Shamian Island

Day 1: Guangzhou

On arrival in Guangzhou, make your own way to the hotel. The rest of the day is yours to discover the city. Stay the next two nights at Bailing Hotel Guangzhou (or similar).

Day 2: Yuexiu Park, Temple of Six Banyan Trees & Shamian Island

Visit the Dr Sun Yat-Sen Memorial Hall, a monument dedicated to this important figure in the Chinese Revolution. Continue to the Chen Family Temple, now a museum of folk craft and architecture. Next, explore Yuexiu Park, the largest park in downtown Guangzhou, and head to the Temple of Six Banyan Trees, which was built in AD537 and is a renowned Buddhist cultural site. Later, visit Shamian Island. **(BL)**

Day 3: Guangzhou

Your Guangzhou stay ends after check-out this morning. **(B)**

Includes:

- 2 nights hotel accommodation
- Private tours, transfers and admissions as indicated
- Local English-speaking guides
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch)

Departs: Daily from Guangzhou

Returns: Guangzhou

Note: Price valid 1 – 13 Apr, 7 May – 13 Oct, 22 – 31 Oct, 6 Nov – 31 Dec 17. Other prices apply 1 Jan – 31 Mar 18. Not valid during Canton Fair. Ask your travel agent for details.

FROM PRICE:	ADULT TWIN SHARE	ADULT SOLE USE
Standard	\$380	\$590
Superior	\$470	\$740
Deluxe	\$510	\$910



Longji Rice Terraces



Reed Flute Cave

5 Day Guilin, Yangshuo & Longji Short Stay

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Reed Flute Cave • Longji
- Yangshuo • Li River Cruise

Day 1: Guilin

On arrival in Guilin, make your own way to the hotel. This afternoon, you will be taken on a half day tour of the Reed Flute Cave and a pearl museum. Stay the next two nights at Universal Hotel (or similar).

Day 2: Longji

Travel to Longji, also known as Longsheng or the 'Dragon's Backbone'. Explore the dramatic rice terraces that have a history dating back over 500 years. To fully appreciate the beauty of this area, you will need to hike for approximately two to three hours, climbing many steps and across uneven ground and steep inclines to reach the most impressive vantage points. It is well worth the effort! **(BL)**

Day 3: Guilin to Yangshuo

Relax on the Li River as you cruise to the town of Yangshuo. Spend the evening at leisure. Stay the next two nights at New Century Hotel (or similar). **(BL)**

Day 4: Yangshuo

This morning, explore the beautiful rural countryside around Yangshuo and enjoy the afternoon at leisure. **(B)**

Day 5: Yangshuo

Your journey ends after check-out this morning. **(B)**

Includes:

- 4 nights hotel accommodation
- Private tours, transfers and admissions as indicated
- Local English-speaking guides
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch)

Departs: Daily from Guilin

Concludes: Yangshuo

Note: Price valid 1 Jun – 31 Aug, 1 Nov – 31 Dec 17. Other prices apply 1 Apr – 31 May, 1 Sep – 31 Oct 17, 1 Jan – 31 Mar 18. Ask your travel agent for details.

FROM PRICE:	ADULT TWIN SHARE	ADULT SOLE USE
Standard	\$840	\$1290
Superior	\$890	\$1410
Deluxe	\$1090	\$1930



Great Wall of China



Summer Palace, Beijing

6 Day China Express

HIGHLIGHTS:

- The Bund • Nanjing Road • Bullet Train • Forbidden City
- Temple of Heaven • Great Wall of China • Summer Palace

Days 1-2: Shanghai

On arrival in Shanghai, make your own way to the hotel. Start your touring with a relaxing walk through Yu Garden and explore the Old Town where cobblestone streets are lined with shops. Stroll along the famous Bund and Nanjing Road. Explore the Jade Buddha Temple. This evening, cruise along the Huangpu River. Stay two nights at Greenland Jiulong Hotel (or similar). **(1B,1L,1D)**

Day 3: Shanghai to Beijing

Head up Jin Mao Tower for amazing views of the city and view the antiques and fine arts at the Shanghai Museum. Transfer to Shanghai railway station to board the bullet train to Beijing and transfer to your hotel. Stay the next three nights at Royal Phoenix Hotel Beijing (or similar). **(1B,1L)**

Day 4: Forbidden City & Temple of Heaven

Stroll through Tiananmen Square, passing Chairman Mao's Mausoleum. Later, visit the treasure-filled Forbidden City and the 15th century Temple of Heaven. **(1B,1L)**

Days 5-6: Great Wall of China

Take an exciting walk along the Juyongguan Pass of the Great Wall of China. Wander through the Summer Palace, admiring its landscaped beauty. This evening, enjoy an acrobatics performance and sample the local delicacy, Peking Duck. Your journey ends after check-out the next morning. **(2B,1L,1D)**

Includes:

- 5 nights hotel accommodation • Bullet train from Shanghai to Beijing
- Private tours, transfers and admissions as indicated • Local English-speaking guides
- Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)

Departs: Daily from Shanghai

Concludes: Beijing

Note: Price valid 1 Jun – 31 Aug, 1 Nov – 31 Dec 17. Other prices apply 1 Apr – 31 May, 1 Sep – 31 Oct 17, 1 Jan – 31 Mar 18. Ask your travel agent for details.

FROM PRICE:	ADULT TWIN SHARE	ADULT SOLE USE
Standard	\$1560	\$2260
Superior	\$1630	\$2330
Deluxe	\$2130	\$3950



Yamdrok-Tso Lake



Potala Palace

6 Day Tibetan Short Stay

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Potala Palace • Jokhang Temple • Pelkor Monastery
- Tashilhunpo Monastery • Yamdrok-Tso Lake

Day 1: Lhasa

You will be met at Lhasa airport and transferred to your hotel. This afternoon, enjoy a half day tour visiting the Barkhor Circuit, where you will see many pilgrims and market stalls. Stay the next two nights at Gang Jian Hotel (or similar).

Day 2: Potala Palace & Jokhang Temple

Enjoy a tour of Potala Palace, an architectural wonder towering over the entire city. You will also visit Jokhang Temple, the most sacred and active temple in Tibet. **(BL)**

Day 3: Lhasa to Gyantse

Travel to Gyantse and visit the Pelkor Monastery and the ruins of the Old Fort. Overnight at Gyantse Hotel (or similar). **(BL)**

Day 4: Gyantse to Shigatse

Leave Gyantse and travel to Shigatse. Visit the Tashilhunpo Monastery, the official residence of the 11th Panchen Lama, who ranks second to the Dalai Lama. Overnight at Shigatse Hotel (or similar). **(BL)**

Days 5-6: Shigatse to Lhasa

Travel back to Lhasa and visit Yamdrok-Tso Lake en route. On your last day, transfer to Lhasa airport. Overnight at Gang Jian Hotel (or similar). **(2B)**

Includes:

- 5 nights hotel accommodation • Private tours, transfers and admissions as indicated
- Local English-speaking guides • Meals as indicated (B = breakfast, L = lunch)
- Tibet permit for New Zealand passport holders

Departs: Daily from Lhasa (Apr – Feb)

Returns: Lhasa

Note: Price valid 1 Apr – 31 Dec 17. Other prices apply 1 Jan – 28 Feb 18. Ask your travel agent for details. Passenger must enter Tibet via China only. The Tibet Autonomous Region may be closed by the Chinese authorities at any given time without notice which may impact the ability to travel in or to Tibet. This tour reaches a maximum altitude of 5,510 metres in Lhasa. Some travellers may suffer altitude sickness. If you are concerned about the effects of altitude sickness, please consult your doctor prior to travel. Travellers should be in good physical condition due to the high altitude.

FROM PRICE:	ADULT TWIN SHARE	ADULT SOLE USE
Standard	\$2490	\$4790



Forbidden City

Our Favourites

Walk along the Great Wall of China

Tour the Forbidden City with China's largest and best preserved ancient buildings

Visit Tiananmen Square, the largest city square in the world

Explore the traditional houses and laneways of Beijing's ancient hutong neighbourhoods

Enjoy Beijing's specialty, Peking Duck

Wander around the grounds of the Summer Palace, and enjoy a boat ride on the lake for stunning views of the palace buildings

Visit the Temple of Heaven which has a popular park where you can watch Beijing locals practise Tai Chi

Visit the Drum Tower for great views over Beijing

Find a range of tasty local delicacies at the Wangfujing night market

Delve into the history and grandeur of Beijing as you independently explore this incredible city. Choose from a range of day tour and accommodation options, and let us help you to create your ultimate city stay. As China's bustling capital, Beijing is a wonderful mix of ancient tradition and towering modernity. The city has become a vast and fascinating modern metropolis, while still retaining the charm of an oriental ancient city.

Renowned for its opulent palaces and temples, Beijing is also home to serene parks and gardens, and is a city filled with art, culture, spirituality and nature. Venture from Beijing to walk along the Great Wall of China or explore the largest square in the world, Tiananmen Square. Discover the magnificent Forbidden City as you wander through the best preserved imperial palace complex in the world. Spend time exploring the grounds of the Summer Palace which is filled with temples, pavilions, gardens and decorated corridors. Located in a vast park, the Temple of Heaven is a sacred and architecturally unique temple which has a diameter of 30 metres. Meander your way through the laneways of the ancient hutong neighbourhoods and gain a wonderful insight into daily life.

Take your tastebuds on an unforgettable culinary journey as you taste your way around the city. Try Beijing's signature dish, Peking Duck which is a delicious blend of crispy skin roast duck, cucumber and sweet bean sauce rolled in a thin pancake. Discover the tasty delights at the Wangfujing night market which offers a variety of snacks. Unwind at a traditional teahouse as you sip a traditional brew. Beijing will captivate you from start to finish with its fascinating combination of history, charm and culture.

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4	Novotel Beijing Peace ◆◆◆◆◇	45
5	Novotel Beijing Xin Qiao ◆◆◆◆◇	45
6	pentahotel Beijing ◆◆◆◆◆	45

Transfers

From Beijing Capital International Airport to Beijing (30km):

By private vehicle: **\$90** per vehicle.

Operator: China Pleasure Tour or Impression China Tours

Note: Price based on 1 to 2 adults one way.



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Beijing Evening City Tour

Marvel at the vastness of Tiananmen Square before continuing on to Zhengyangmen which stands 42 metres tall. Enjoy the lively shopping street and entertainment district of Dazhalan. Find delicious food at Donghuanmen Night Snack Street and enjoy the night life at Houhai Lake Bar Street.

Operator: Palace International
Departs: Daily from Beijing at 7:30pm
Returns: 10:30pm

Note: Price per person based on 2 adults travelling, valid 1 Apr – 31 Dec 17.



PRICE:	
Adult	\$90
Child 2-5 years	\$71



Hutong Tour – Discover Old Beijing

Take a journey into the old city of Beijing and discover the warrens and lanes of the hutong neighbourhoods. Travel in a pedicab and visit the typical quadrangle courtyard houses. Enjoy a tea ceremony at a Chinese teahouse. This tour offers an excellent glimpse into the traditional-style life of Beijing.

Operator: Palace International
Departs: Daily from Beijing at 9am, 2:30pm
Returns: 11am, 4:30pm

Note: Price per person based on 2 adults travelling, valid 1 Apr – 31 Dec 17.



We love it!

PRICE:	
Adult/Child	\$101



Beijing Foodie Walk

Enjoy eating and walking your way around Beijing. Sample authentic Beijing snacks from street stalls and navigate the market with the locals doing their daily shop. Learn about basic Chinese cooking techniques and ingredients, and try some specialties from other regions throughout China. Learn some simple Chinese words and phrases to practise at the local market.

Operator: Urban Adventures
Departs: Tue, Thu, Sat, Sun from Beijing at 4pm
Returns: 6pm

Note: Price valid 1 Apr 17 – 31 Mar 18.

PRICE:	
Adult	\$53
Child 6-11 years	\$53



Acrobatic Show

Marvel at the agility of the acrobats from the Beijing Acrobatics Theatre. An acrobatic show is one of the most popular forms of evening entertainment. Take in this breathtaking performance of gravity-defying contortionism, juggling, unicycling, chair-stacking, plate-spinning acts and much more.

Operator: Palace International
Departs: Daily from Beijing at 7:15pm
Returns: 8:15pm

Note: Price valid 1 Apr – 31 Dec 17.



PRICE:	
Adult/Child	\$84



Kungfu Show

Enjoy the fantastic 'The Legend of Kungfu', a must-see production for Kungfu lovers. Follow the story of a young boy found outside an ancient temple who embarks on a remarkable journey. The performance features a unique fusion of modern dance with Chinese traditional arts.

Operator: Red Theatre
Departs: Daily from Beijing at 7:30pm
Returns: 8:30pm

Note: Price valid 1 Apr – 31 Dec 17.



PRICE:	
Adult/Child	\$73



Hutong, Lama Temple, Panda House & Olympic Stadium Tour

Embark on a full day tour to see ancient Beijing and its modern Olympic sites. Discover Beijing's hutongs by rickshaw for an insight into daily life. Visit the Lama Temple and see Pandas at Panda House. Marvel at the enormity of the Olympic venues. Enjoy lunch and a tea ceremony at a Chinese teahouse.

Operator: Palace International
Departs: Daily from Beijing at 7:30am
Returns: 3:30pm

Note: Price valid 1 Apr – 31 Dec 17.



PRICE:	
Adult/Child	\$98



Forbidden City, Temple of Heaven & Summer Palace Tour

Explore Tiananmen Square, the largest public square in the world. From here, enter the Forbidden City. Enjoy a Chinese lunch, followed by a visit to the Summer Palace, one of the most famous royal gardens in existence. Continue to the Temple of Heaven where Chinese emperors once worshipped and prayed.

Operator: Palace International
Departs: Daily from Beijing at 7:30am
Returns: 3:30pm

Note: Price valid 1 Apr – 31 Dec 17.



We love it!

PRICE:	
Adult/Child	\$112



Great Wall – Badaling & Summer Palace Tour

Experience two of Beijing's most popular attractions on this full day tour. Visit an impressive part of the Great Wall of China at Badaling and discover the best preserved imperial garden in the world at the Summer Palace. Enjoy lunch and visit a Jade Factory.

Operator: Palace International
Departs: Daily from Beijing at 7:30am
Returns: 3:30pm

Note: Price valid 1 Apr – 31 Dec 17.



PRICE:	
Adult/Child	\$77



Great Wall & Ming Tombs Tour

Travel out of the city to one of China's highlights – the Great Wall of China at Mutianyu. Built more than 2,000 years ago, the Great Wall of China is an impressive architectural creation. In the afternoon, visit the Ming Tombs where the emperors and empresses of the Ming Dynasty were buried.

Operator: Palace International
Departs: Daily from Beijing at 7:30am
Returns: 3:30pm

Note: Price valid 1 Apr – 31 Dec 17.



We love it!

PRICE:	
Adult/Child	\$69

Novotel Beijing Peace



From price based on 1 night in a **Standard Room**, valid 1 Apr 17 – 31 Mar 18.

From \$119*
per person per night

3 Jinyu Hutong, Wangfujing, Beijing MAP PAGE 43 REF. 4

Conveniently located in the Wangfujing district, Novotel Beijing Peace is within walking distance of Tiananmen Square, the Forbidden City and Silk Alley. Each functional room is spacious with a contemporary design. Relax by the swimming pool, enjoy a cool beverage at the bar or stay active at the gymnasium.

Property Features: Pool, Restaurants (2), Bar, Room service (24 hour), Gymnasium, Laundry/dry cleaning service.

Room Features: Air-conditioning, Tea/coffee making facilities, Mini bar, Hair dryer, Safe.

Includes: Full breakfast daily.

Children: 0 to 11 years – adult prices apply.

Max Capacity: Standard/Superior/Premier – 2 adults or 2 adults/1 child.

Distances: Airport 27km.



We love it!

Novotel Beijing Xin Qiao



From price based on 1 night in a **Superior Room**, valid 1 Apr – 17 Jun 17.

From \$93*
per person per night

1 Chong Wen Men Xi Da Jie, Dongcheng District, Beijing MAP PAGE 43 REF. 5

Ideally located in the heart of the city, Novotel Beijing Xin Qiao is perfect for guests wanting to explore the modern metropolis of Beijing. A short distance away is Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City with the popular shopping strips of Wangfujing, and the Pearl and Silk markets close by. This hotel offers a modern and comfortable place to relax.

Property Features: Restaurants (4), Room service (24 hour), Bar, Gymnasium, Tennis court, Massage/beauty facilities, Laundry/dry cleaning service.

Room Features: Air-conditioning, Tea/coffee making facilities, Mini bar, Safe, Hair dryer, Safe.

Children: 0 to 11 years – adult prices apply.

Max Capacity: Standard/Superior – 2 adults or 2 adults/1 child.

Distances: Airport 30km.



We love it!

Capital Hotel



From price based on 1 night in a **Superior Room**, valid 1 Apr 17 – 31 Mar 18.

From \$99*
per person per night

3 Qian Men East Street, Beijing MAP PAGE 43 REF. 1

Capital Hotel is situated in the well-known Wangfujing shopping and scenic downtown area, within the Second Ring Road. The property consists of two individual towers. Each room is well-appointed with a range of facilities to ensure a comfortable stay. Enjoy delicious western or Chinese cuisine in the restaurants or relax at the trendy bar. Spend time in the fully upgraded fitness and recreation centre.

Property Features: Wi-Fi (extra charge), Pool, Restaurants (5), Bar, Room service (24 hour), Gymnasium, Parking (limited).

Room Features: Wi-Fi (extra charge), Air-conditioning, Tea/coffee making facilities, Mini bar, Hair dryer.

Children: 0 to 11 years – adult prices apply.

Max Capacity: Superior/Deluxe/Capital Club – 2 adults or 2 adults/1 child.

Distances: Airport 30km.

pentahotel Beijing



From price based on 1 night in a **Standard Room**, valid 1 Apr 17 – 31 Mar 18.

From \$79*
per person per night

3-18 Chongwenmenwai Street, Beijing MAP PAGE 43 REF. 6

Connected to the New World Business Centre and the New World Department Store, pentahotel Beijing is within walking distance to the Beijing railway station and the subway. Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City are a short drive away. Each modern room is comfortable and features natural colours. Enjoy an extensive range of hotel facilities including a pool, restaurants and a cosy lobby lounge.

Property Features: Wi-Fi (extra charge), Pool, Restaurants (2), Bar, Gymnasium, Laundry/dry cleaning service.

Room Features: Wi-Fi (extra charge), Air-conditioning, Tea/coffee making facilities, Mini bar, Hair dryer, Safe.

Includes: Full breakfast daily.

Children: 0 to 5 years – free when sharing with an adult and using existing bedding. 6 to 11 years – adult prices apply.

Max Capacity: Standard/pentaplus – 3.

Distances: Airport 30km.

Crowne Plaza Beijing Wangfujing



From price based on 1 night in a **Superior Room**, valid 19 Nov – 22 Dec 17.

From \$104*
per person per night

48 Wangfujing Avenue, Dongcheng District, Beijing MAP PAGE 43 REF. 2

Situated in the heart of Beijing, Crowne Plaza Beijing Wangfujing offers a prime location for exploring the city. Enjoy a 10 minute stroll to the Forbidden City and Tiananmen Square or discover the shopping district which surrounds the property. Each room is modern and serves as a welcome retreat following a day of sightseeing. Swim in the indoor rooftop pool and enjoy a tasty meal at the restaurant.

Property Features: Pool, Restaurants (3), Bar, Room service (24 hour), Gymnasium, Beauty salon, Laundry/dry cleaning service.

Room Features: Air-conditioning, Tea/coffee making facilities, Mini bar, Hair dryer.

Children: 0 to 11 years – adult prices apply.

Max Capacity: Superior/Deluxe – 3, Club – 2.

Distances: Airport 27km.



Fairmont Beijing



From price based on 1 night in a **Deluxe Room**, valid 1 Apr 17 – 31 Mar 18.

From \$177*
per person per night

8 Yong'an Dongli, Jianguo Menwai Main Street, Chaoyang District, Beijing MAP PAGE 43 REF. 3

Fairmont Beijing is a charming property nestled in the Central Business District. The perfect base to explore Beijing, this property offers easy access to tourist attractions including Wangfujing Street and entertainment as well as the Forbidden City and Tiananmen Square. Each luxurious room is comfortably appointed with a range of amenities.

Property Features: Wi-Fi (extra charge), Pool, Restaurants (2), Bars (2), Room service (limited), Day spa, Gymnasium.

Room Features: Wi-Fi (extra charge), Air-conditioning, Tea/coffee making facilities, Mini bar, Safe.

Includes: Full breakfast daily.

Children: 0 to 5 years – free when sharing with an adult and using existing bedding. 6 to 12 years – \$40 per child per night.

Max Capacity: Deluxe/Fairmont Junior Suite – 2.

Distances: Airport 27km.

Independent Travel Shanghai



Bund, Shanghai

Immerse yourself in the thriving atmosphere of Shanghai as you independently discover the hidden treasures of this wonderful city. Choose from a range of day tour and accommodation options, and let us help you to create your ultimate city stay. Shanghai is a city where old meets new, and east and west converge in to a blend of cosmopolitan modernity. Originally a seaside fishing village, Shanghai is known as the 'Pearl of the Orient' and is arguably China's most multicultural city and main financial centre.

The Huangpu River splits the city in two with the Bund riverfront showcasing colonial architecture on one side and the ultra-modern skyscrapers of Pudong on the other. Marvel at the spectacular lights of Pudong on an evening river cruise and discover the Waigaoqiao Free Trade Zone and the Shanghai World Trade Centre. On the other bank is Puchi which is home to the main tourist areas, hotels, dining and of course, shopping. Spend time relaxing in the tranquil Yu Garden in the heart of the city and wander around the Shanghai Museum. With over five kilometres of department stores, international brand stores and local specialty stores, Nanjing Road is a shopper's paradise. At night, Shanghai really comes alive. Join the locals for dinner at Yunnan Lu night markets or sip cocktails at one of the Bund's sleek bars and immerse yourself in the buzz of one of the world's most populous cities.

Venture away from the city and discover the ancient water town of Zhujiajiao and the classic gardens of Suzhou. Dating back to the Ming and Qing dynasties, Zhujiajiao is a fascinating water canal town with a charming old world atmosphere. Spend time browsing the small stalls and exploring the waterway network on a peaceful canal cruise. In Suzhou, wander the stunning array of gardens.

Our Favourites

Relax with the locals doing Tai Chi in Fuxing Park

Stroll along the colonial Bund

Wander through the Yu Garden

Explore Shanghai Museum

Climb the Shanghai World Financial Tower for panoramic views of the city

Take an evening cruise along the Huangpu River and enjoy the spectacular lights and futuristic buildings of Pudong

Take a day trip to one of the nearby towns such as Zhujiajiao, and discover the ancient canals

Marvel at the ability and agility of the Shanghai acrobats

FIND YOUR ACCOMMODATION

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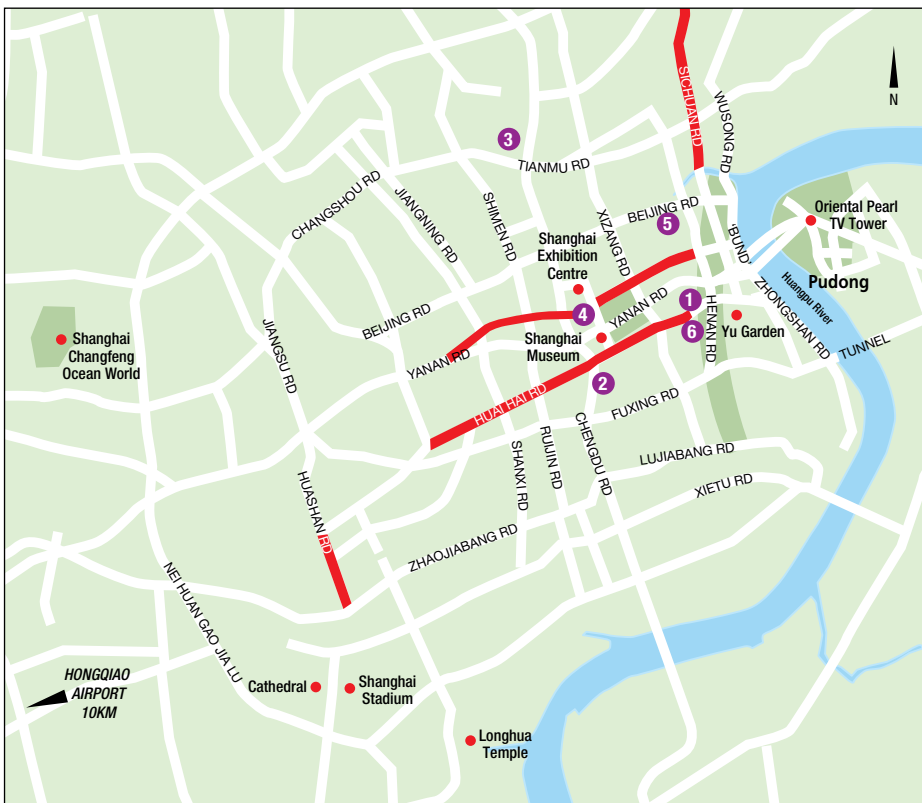
Transfers

From Pudong International Airport to Shanghai (45km):

By private vehicle: **\$121** per vehicle.

Operator: China Pleasure Tour

Note: Price based on 1 to 2 adults one way. Transfers to/from Hongqiao Airport (18km) to/from Shanghai are also available. Contact us for details.





Big Bus Premium Tour

What better way to see Shanghai's major sites than on an open top bus tour. Purchase a ticket to hop on and off for 48 hours. Choose from three different routes and visit Nanjing Road, the Bund, Jade Buddha Temple, People's Plaza and Yu Garden.

Operator: Shuilitong Intl Ltd.
Departs: Daily from Shanghai at 9:30am
Duration: 48 hours
 Note: Price valid 1 Apr – 31 Dec 17.



PRICE:	
Adult	\$74
Child 5-15 years	\$48



Best of Shanghai Day Tour

Begin with the popular Yu Garden and also visit Shanghai Old Street. View the colonial buildings of the Bund and the modern skyscrapers of Pudong, across the river. Discover Chinese history, art and culture at the Shanghai Museum. After lunch, drive along the former French Concession, visit the Jade Buddha Temple and finish in Xintiandi, a stylish nightlife district.

Operator: Destination Travel
Departs: Daily from Shanghai at 8:30am
Returns: 3:30pm
 Note: Price valid 1 Apr – 31 Dec 17.



PRICE:	
Adult	\$113
Child 3-9 years	\$94



Old Shanghai Walking Tour

Discover some of Shanghai's hidden highlights on this half day walking tour of Old Shanghai. Visit Yu Garden. Stop at the Old Temple which is one of the largest ancient temples in China. Finally, explore the artsy area of Tianzifang alley, housing bars, cafés, craft shops, design studios, galleries and boutiques.

Operator: China Pleasure Tour
Departs: Daily from Shanghai at 9am, 2:30pm
Returns: 1pm, 6:30pm
 Note: Price per person based on 2 adults travelling, valid 1 Apr – 31 Dec 17.



We love it!

PRICE:	
Adult/Child	\$98



Half Day Chinese Cooking Lesson

Learn to cook a traditional Chinese snack during an interesting cooking class with the guidance of a skilled teacher. You will have the opportunity to cook boiled dumplings, steamed dumplings or steamed buns with a range of stuffing flavours. Following the class, enjoy tasting your Chinese snacks.

Operator: China Pleasure Tour
Departs: Daily from Shanghai at 9am
Returns: 1pm
 Note: Price per person based on 2 adults travelling, valid 1 Apr – 31 Dec 17.



We love it!

PRICE:	
Adult/Child	\$111



Acrobats Show

When in Shanghai, don't miss this stunning acrobatic show. Watch the highly trained acrobats perform amazing feats in this extremely popular show, enjoyable for all ages. Be enchanted by vibrant lights, extravagant costumes, spectacular special effects and charming music.

Operator: China Pleasure Tour
Departs: Daily from Shanghai at 6:30pm
Returns: 9:30pm
 Note: Price per person based on 2 adults travelling, valid 1 Apr – 31 Dec 17.



We love it!

PRICE:	
Adult/Child	\$130



Evening River Cruise & Bund City Lights

This tour is the ideal introduction to the bright lights of Shanghai by night. Begin with a short walk along bustling Nanjing Road Pedestrian Street. Enjoy an evening cruise on the Huangpu River, Shanghai's main shipping artery, and view the spectacular lights along the Bund and Pudong.

Operator: Destination Travel
Departs: Daily from Shanghai at 6pm
Returns: 9:30pm
 Note: Price valid 1 Apr – 31 Dec 17.



PRICE:	
Adult	\$121
Child 3-9 years	\$97



Yu Garden & Bund Tour

See the highlights of Shanghai on this thorough city tour. Located along the Huangpu River, discover the Bund before travelling to the tranquil Yu Garden. Visit the Shanghai Old Street and the Shanghai Arts and Crafts Store. Explore the former French Concession District and wander the shopping district of Xintiandi.

Operator: China Pleasure Tour
Departs: Daily from Shanghai at 8:30am
Returns: 12:30pm
 Note: Price per person based on 2 adults travelling, valid 1 Apr – 31 Dec 17.



PRICE:	
Adult/Child	\$112



Half Day Excursion to Zhujiatao Water Town

Located on the outskirts of Shanghai, Zhujiatao is an ancient water town known for its canals. The town is crossed by numerous rivers which are spanned by 36 ancient stone bridges. Discover many historic sites including well preserved temples, gardens and houses.

Operator: China Pleasure Tour
Departs: Daily from Shanghai at 9am, 2:30pm
Returns: 1pm, 6:30pm
 Note: Price per person based on 2 adults travelling, valid 1 Apr – 31 Dec 17.



PRICE:	
Adult/Child	\$256



Full Day Excursion to Suzhou

Take a scenic two hour drive from Shanghai to Tiger Hill. Visit the Garden of Master Nets in Suzhou. After lunch, see the Lingering Garden. Your final stop is the Institute of Embroidery. Suzhou embroidery is considered the 'pearl of oriental art' for its beautiful designs, varied stitches and superb workmanship.

Operator: China Pleasure Tour
Departs: Daily from Shanghai at 8:30am
Returns: 4:30pm
 Note: Price per person based on 2 adults travelling, valid 1 Apr – 31 Dec 17.



PRICE:	
Adult/Child	\$298

Independent Travel Shanghai

Sofitel Hyland Shanghai



From price based on 1 night in a
Superior Room, valid 1 Apr 17
– 31 Mar 18.

From **\$160***
per person per night

505 Nanjing Road East, Shanghai MAP PAGE 46 REF. 5

The hotel is perfectly located right on Nanjing Pedestrian Street, close to the Bund, People's Square, and the Shanghai Museum. Each room and suite is impeccably designed including the exclusive Club room situated on the highest floors. With an excellent range of facilities, great dining options and an ideal location, Sofitel Hyland Shanghai is a great base in which to explore Shanghai.

Property Features: Restaurants (2), Bar, Room service (24 hour), Day spa, Gymnasium.

Room Features: Air-conditioning, Tea/coffee making facilities, Mini bar, Hair dryer, Safe.

Includes: Full breakfast daily.

Children: 0 to 11 years – adult prices apply.

Max Capacity: Superior/Club – 3, Prestige Suite – 2.

Distances: Airport 46km.



We love it!

Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel Shanghai



From price based on 1 night in a
Superior Room, valid 1 Apr 17
– 31 Mar 18.

From **\$107***
per person per night

595 Jiu Jiang Road, Shanghai MAP PAGE 46 REF. 1

Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel Shanghai is ideally situated in the heart of Shanghai, only steps from Nanjing Road, and five minutes from the Bund and Shanghai Museum. Subway and bus stations are nearby for easy access to other areas of Shanghai, and there are many shopping and dining options nearby. Each room is elegantly decorated in a modern style with European assets and is well-equipped with a range of facilities.

Property Features: Wi-Fi (extra charge), Pool, Restaurants (2), Bar, Room service (limited), Day spa, Gymnasium, Parking (limited).

Room Features: Wi-Fi (extra charge), Air-conditioning, Tea/coffee making facilities, Mini bar, Safe.

Children: 0 to 12 years – free when sharing with an adult and using existing bedding.

Max Capacity: Superior/Deluxe/Business Suite – 2 adults or 2 adults/1 child.

Distances: Airport 46km.

Pullman Shanghai Jing'an



From price based on 1 night in a
Superior Room, valid 1 Apr 17
– 31 Mar 18.

From **\$87***
per person per night

330 Mei Yuan Road, Zhabei District, Shanghai MAP PAGE 46 REF. 3

Pullman Shanghai Jing'an is located just a 10 minute drive from major attractions including the Bund and the People's Square. Just a three minute walk from the railway station, this property provides easy access to many of the city's most popular areas. Each comfortable room is well-equipped with advanced facilities and stylish décor.

Property Features: Wi-Fi (extra charge), Restaurants (2), Bar, Room service (limited), Massage facilities, Gymnasium.

Room Features: Wi-Fi (extra charge), Air-conditioning, Tea/coffee making facilities, Mini bar, Docking station, Hair dryer.

Includes: Full breakfast daily.

Children: 0 to 11 years – free when sharing with an adult and using existing bedding.

Max Capacity: Superior – 2 adults or 2 adults/1 child.

Distances: Airport 47km.

Radisson Blu Hotel Shanghai New World



From price based on 1 night in a
Superior Room, valid 1 Apr 17
– 31 Mar 18.

From **\$115***
per person per night

88 Nanjing Road, Shanghai MAP PAGE 46 REF. 4

Ideally located only steps from Nanjing Road, Radisson Blu Hotel Shanghai New World is close to many of Shanghai's attractions. Each room is cosy and intimate with modern facilities. Venture to the top of the 208 metre tower and dine at the revolving restaurant while enjoying incredible views. Relax by the pool, stay active in the gym or be pampered at the day spa.

Property Features: Pool, Restaurants (3), Bars (2), Room service (limited), Day spa, Gymnasium, Laundry/dry cleaning service.

Room Features: Air-conditioning, Tea/coffee making facilities, Mini bar, Hair dryer, Safe.

Children: 0 to 11 years – adult prices apply.

Max Capacity: Superior – 3, Deluxe – 2.

Distances: Airport 46km.



We love it!

The Langham Shanghai Xintiandi



From price based on 1 night in a
Grand Room, valid 16 Apr 17
– 18 Mar 18.

From **\$243***
per person per night

99 Madang Road, Xintiandi, Huangpu District, Shanghai MAP PAGE 46 REF. 2

The Langham Shanghai Xintiandi stands as the gateway to the city's entertainment scene and is surrounded by glamorous designer boutiques, international restaurants and bars. Whether you are after an indulgent weekend retreat, a romantic oasis, a family getaway or a base for business, The Langham Shanghai Xintiandi offers a range of rooms and suites to suit your needs.

Property Features: Wi-Fi (extra charge), Pool, Restaurants (3), Bar, Room service (24 hour), Day spa, Gymnasium.

Room Features: Wi-Fi (extra charge), Air-conditioning, Tea/coffee making facilities, Mini bar, Docking station, Safe.

Children: 0 to 11 years – free when sharing with an adult and using existing bedding.

Max Capacity: Grand/Grand Deluxe/Grand Studio/Langham Club – 2.

Distances: Airport 44km.

The Westin Bund Center Shanghai



From price based on 1 night in a
Crown Deluxe Room, valid
1 Apr – 31 Dec 17.

From **\$167***
per person per night

Bund Center, 88 Henan Central Road, Shanghai MAP PAGE 46 REF. 6

The Westin Bund Center Shanghai is located within the prestigious Bund Center in Puxi. Enjoy a five minute walk to the elegant waterfront of the historical Bund area on the west bank of the glorious Huangpu River. Each tastefully-appointed room and suite features modern furnishings and facilities. Spend time by the pool, relax with a treatment at the day spa and enjoy a tasty meal at one of the restaurants.

Property Features: Wi-Fi (extra charge), Pool, Restaurants (4), Bars (2), Room service (limited), Day spa, Gymnasium, Laundry/dry cleaning service.

Room Features: Wi-Fi (extra charge), Air-conditioning, Tea/coffee making facilities, Mini bar, Hair dryer, Safe.

Children: 0 to 11 years – adult prices apply.

Max Capacity: Crown Deluxe/Grand Deluxe/Grand Studio – 2, Crown Studio – 2 adults or 2 adults/1 child.

Distances: Airport 42km.

We love it!



Hong Kong

Extend your stay with a stopover in one of Asia's most dynamic cities – Hong Kong, Singapore or Macau. **Hong Kong**, a city of diversity where old and new collide, is the perfect place to explore street markets, shopping malls, and indulge in the city's array of food options. **Singapore**, is a shopper's paradise with a range of attractions and varied cuisine on offer. **Macau**, located 60 kilometres southwest of Hong Kong offers baroque-style churches, gardens, traditional Chinese buildings and of course casinos galore.



3 Day Hong Kong Stopover

Discover the highlights of Hong Kong during a three day stopover in this bustling metropolis. Enjoy exploring Hong Kong on a full day tour. Begin the tour from the famous fishing village of Aberdeen and see the floating community which is still very much a part of Hong Kong's society. Take a ride on a sampan to gain a close up view of life on the water. Visit a prestigious jewellery factory where meticulous craftsmen fashion works of art from gold and gems. Drop into the Stanley Market where you can pick up bargains at just a fraction of the price in town. From the top of Victoria Peak, enjoy panoramic views of Hong Kong Island, Kowloon and the surrounding islands. Then pass by picturesque Repulse Bay before returning to your hotel in the early afternoon.

Includes:

- 2 nights accommodation in a Deluxe Room at Eaton Hong Kong (Superior option) OR in a Superior Room at The Langham Hong Kong (Deluxe option)
- Full day Hong Kong Island Tour
- Return Hong Kong Airport transfers

Note: From price based on 2 night package. Superior valid Sun to Thu, 1 – 6 Apr, 1 May – 27 Jul, 20 Aug – 28 Sep, 6 – 8 Oct, 10 – 29 Dec 17, 2 Jan – 10 Feb, 26 Feb – 1 Mar 18. Deluxe valid 1 May – 8 Oct, 19 Nov – 21 Dec 17, 3 Jan – 28 Feb 18.



FROM PRICE:	SUPERIOR	DELUXE
Adult twin share	\$312	\$534



4 Day Hong Kong Disneyland Resort

Take a journey into a land where dreams come true during a four day stopover to Hong Kong Disneyland Resort. Spend two full days discovering the magical kingdom of Hong Kong Disneyland. This two day ticket is perfect for guests to enjoy endless moments of happiness in all of the seven themed lands. The lands are based on stories of mysterious exploration, Wild West, Toy Story films, fantasy, adventure, space and Americana. In each land, enjoy the high-quality rides, meet your favourite Disney Characters, and watch amazing Broadway-style shows.

Includes:

- 3 nights accommodation in a Standard Room at Disney's Hollywood Hotel (Superior option) OR in a Standard Room at Hong Kong Disneyland Hotel (Deluxe option)
- 2 Day Ticket to Hong Kong Disneyland
- Return Hong Kong Airport transfers

Note: From price based on 3 night package, Sun to Thu, valid 1 – 30 Jun, 1 – 30 Nov 17.



BONUS: FREE Night Offer: Stay 3 nights, pay for 2.

FROM PRICE:	SUPERIOR	DELUXE
Adult twin share	\$830	\$1019



3 Day Macau Stopover

Experience the culture of Macau with a full day of sightseeing. Stop at the Statue of Kum Lam (Goddess of Mercy) before continuing to Macau Tower. Choose to go up to the top of the tower for stunning views (own expense). Explore A Ma Temple which has been World Heritage Listed. Originally a church, St Paul's Ruins was built in the early 16th century by Japanese-Christian exiles. Walk through Senado Square and marvel at the stunning architecture. Visit a casino and try your luck.

Includes:

- 2 nights accommodation in a Deluxe Room at Grand Emperor Hotel (Superior option) OR in a Royale Suite at The Venetian® Macao (Deluxe option)
- Full day Macau Day Tour
- Return Hong Kong Airport transfers
- Return ferry transfers from Hong Kong to Macau Ferry Terminal

Note: From price based on 2 night package. Superior valid Sun to Thu, 1 Apr 17 – 31 Mar 18. Deluxe valid Sun to Mon, 1 – 28 Apr, 1 May – 30 Sep, 5 Oct – 30 Dec 17, 2 Jan – 15 Feb, 22 Feb – 31 Mar 18.



BONUS: ^Breakfast daily.

^FREE upgrade to an Executive Room (subject to availability).

^FREE HKD100 spa cash coupon.

^FREE mini bar with two beers and two soft drinks per stay.

FROM PRICE:	SUPERIOR [^]	DELUXE
Adult twin share	\$648	\$761



3 Day Singapore Stopover

Explore the multicultural city of Singapore during a three day stopover in this thriving destination. Discover Singapore's iconic sights. Drive around the Civic District, passing by the Padang, historic Parliament House and the National Gallery of Singapore. Stop at Merlion Park and enjoy impressive views of Marina Bay. Visit Thian Hock Keng Temple, before driving past Chinatown. Visit the Singapore Botanic Gardens, and walk through the National Orchid Garden and Little India. Spanning 101 hectares, Gardens by the Bay is home to a variety of rare plants.

Includes:

- 2 nights accommodation in a Superior Room at Rendezvous Hotel Singapore (Superior option) OR in a Deluxe Room at Pan Pacific Singapore (Deluxe option)
- Half day City Tour • Gardens by the Bay admission
- Return Singapore Airport transfers

Note: From price based on 2 night package. Superior valid Fri to Sun, 1 Apr – 21 May, 26 May – 27 Sep, 2 Oct – 30 Dec 17, 1 Jan – 5 Feb, 12 Feb – 31 Mar 18. Deluxe valid Fri to Sun, 1 Apr – 6 May, 12 May – 20 Sep, 25 Sep – 23 Dec 17, 2 Jan – 5 Feb, 12 Feb – 31 Mar 18.

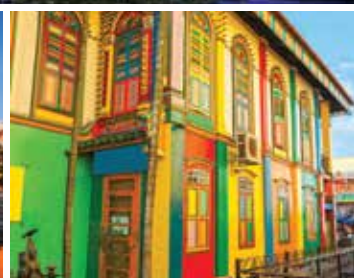


BONUS: FREE late check-out until 3pm.

^FREE 20% off voucher for lunch and dinner at Edge Restaurant.

^FREE 20% off voucher on all spa treatments.

FROM PRICE:	SUPERIOR	DELUXE [^]
Adult twin share	\$392	\$475



3 Day Experience Sentosa Island

Enjoy time at Singapore's Sentosa Island during a three day stopover. Go beyond the screen and 'Ride The Movies' at Universal Studios Singapore™ at Resort World Sentosa. You can experience cutting-edge rides, shows and attractions based on your favourite blockbuster films and television series, including Transformers The Ride: The Ultimate 3D Battle, Shrek 4D Adventure, Revenge of the Mummy, Madagascar: A Crate Adventure, Jurassic Park Rapids Adventures, Battlestar Galactica: HUMAN vs CYLON duelling Coasters, and more!

Includes:

- 2 nights accommodation in a Superior Room at Rendezvous Hotel Singapore (Superior option) OR in a Superior Hillview Room at Shangri-La's Rasa Sentosa Resort & Spa (Deluxe option)
- One Day Pass to Universal Studio Singapore™
- Return Singapore Airport transfers

Note: From price based on 2 night package. Superior valid Fri to Sun, 1 Apr – 21 May, 26 May – 27 Sep, 2 Oct – 30 Dec 17, 1 Jan – 5 Feb, 12 Feb – 31 Mar 18. Deluxe valid 1 – 11 Apr, 20 Apr – 30 Jun, 24 Aug – 21 Dec 17, 8 Jan – 14 Feb, 25 Feb – 27 Mar 18.



BONUS: ^FREE late check-out until 3pm.

FROM PRICE:	SUPERIOR [^]	DELUXE
Adult twin share	\$414	\$592



Please read these Important Booking Conditions carefully as they apply to all bookings with GO Holidays.

1. How to Book

Contact your TAANZ bonded travel agent to make a reservation. All verbal quotes provided are an estimate only and subject to change until confirmed in writing.

Passenger names must be provided exactly as per passport at the time of booking. Any spelling corrections made after a deposit is paid must be sent in writing and will incur additional fees.

For Classic Group Tours, Deluxe Group Tours, Small Group Journeys and Short Stays you are required to complete a registration form before your booking is complete. Third Party Travel Providers may refuse supply if a completed registration form is not received. You will receive the registration form from us or your Travel Agent within 7 days. This form requires you to provide your travel insurance information, full passport information and medical details, and no booking can be finalised without this registration form being completed.

2. Prices & Conditions

This brochure was printed on 19 January 2017. The prices in this brochure are valid for travel for the dates specified and, unless otherwise stated, are in New Zealand dollars and include GST where applicable. Exchange rates used when pricing this brochure are as at 9 January 2017. All prices are subject to availability, subject to change and can be withdrawn or varied without notice. Price changes may occur by reason of matters outside our control which increase the cost of the product or service. Such factors include (without limitation) adverse currency fluctuations, fuel surcharges, taxes and airfare increases. Surcharges and minimum stays may apply due to demand, Christmas and New Year's Eve, school and public holidays, special events and other circumstances. All prices are the lowest available prices at the time of print and are a guide only. Ask your travel agent for exact pricing, other dates and availability.

Classic Group Tours, Deluxe Group Tours and Short Stays featured in this brochure are operated by Wendy Wu Tours. Small Group Journeys featured in this brochure are operated by Insider Journeys.

If we have to change any part of your booking for reasons beyond our control, for example, an Accommodation Supplier overbooks accommodation, or if there is an increase in taxes or Supplier charges, we will notify you. If any such changes result in your holiday costing more or otherwise being materially different from that originally booked, you may cancel the booking and we will refund any monies already paid less any charges levied by Suppliers.

2.1 Prices Do Not Include
Anything not specifically indicated as being an inclusion.

3. Deposits & Final Payments

3.1 Deposit
A deposit may be collected by your travel agent to cover Supplier deposits and if you are booking within a cancellation period. Please confirm with your travel agent at time of booking.

3.2 Final Payment
Final payment of your holiday cost is required at least 65 days prior to departure or by sale end date or by the payment deadline specified in individual package conditions, whichever is earlier. Some services, including airfares, may require full payment at the time of booking. For bookings made less than 65 days prior to travel, full payment of holiday cost is required at the time your booking is confirmed.

Please ensure payments are made by the due dates. If this does not happen, our system will automatically cancel the booking without notice or liability to you.

Only upon payment of the full cost of your holiday do you have a final booking with the Supplier of the relevant good and/or service. In arranging your booking, GO Holidays is acting as the agent of the Supplier of the relevant Product and at no time do you have a contract with GO Holidays.

4. Credit & Debit Card Surcharges

A fee will apply for payments made by debit and credit cards. Please check this fee with your travel agent when booking.

5. Amendment or Cancellation

5.1 If you wish, or circumstances require you to amend or cancel your booking for any reason, you should advise us in writing through your travel agent at the earliest possible time.

5.2 Where you cancel any booking more than thirty (30) days prior to your departure you are likely to have to pay a fee. A cancellation fee of \$200 will be imposed where cancellation is made within thirty (30) days prior to your departure, plus any suppliers charges as per note 5.4. Please refer however to Clause 5.7 for special conditions in some cases.

5.3 Wendy Wu Tours and Insider Journeys have strict amendment and cancellation fees for changes made within 95 days of departure. For full information on these amendment and cancellation policies refer to your travel agent.

5.4 The above cancellation fees are required to offset booking, communication and administration charges that will have already been incurred by us. In addition to our cancellation fee, you may also be required to pay cancellation fees imposed by our Suppliers (i.e. tour operators, airlines, hotels, etc.) The amount of each Supplier's cancellation fee is beyond our control, and payment is solely your responsibility. You should check with your travel agent concerning the amount of a Supplier's cancellation fees.

5.5 To the extent that we are able to do so (bearing in mind we are dependent upon third party availability beyond our control) we will be pleased to incorporate any reasonable changes you request. An itinerary change may attract a fee similar to cancellation fees in Clause 5.2 above to cover our administration costs.

5.6 Some Suppliers may reserve the right to cancel or amend travel, accommodation, etc and GO Holidays must therefore reserve similar rights to cancel or amend any holiday arrangements.

5.7 There are cases where the terms of supply as to refundability of pre-payments require provisions different from the above. In those cases the conditions specific to your tour will be advised to you at the time your booking is processed.

6. Responsibility

GO Holidays acts as an agent for the Suppliers (transport, tour, event or accommodation providers) who provide the various goods and/or services (Products). All bookings are subject to the terms and conditions and limitations of liability imposed by each Supplier. It is therefore important for you to obtain and read the applicable Supplier's terms and conditions as they may limit or exclude their liability to you.

In producing this brochure, we have used information provided by Suppliers. Irrespective of any measures taken by us to ensure the information contained in this brochure is accurate at the time of printing, GO Holidays disclaims and will be exempt from liability in respect of anything misleading, false, incomplete or inaccurate and any errors, misdirection and all associated disappointment, loss, expense, damage, inconvenience, delay, death, shock, illness or injury, however caused. GO Holidays does not control the manner in which Products featured within this brochure are provided. GO Holidays disclaims and will be exempt from liability for anything to do with the supply of such Products. This includes liability (whether as a matter of contract, tort, statute, restitution, or otherwise) for any direct, indirect or consequential loss, liability, claim, cost, expense, proceeding, demand, penalty, disappointment, death, injury, illness, shock, inconvenience or delay. This limitation of liability also applies irrespective of the cause, including negligence of us or a Supplier, withdrawal, cancellation or failure to provide a Product, delay, any variation in the Product, the provision of substitute Products or a change in the Supplier. Without limitation, GO Holidays will not be responsible if the Product is not available due to inclement weather conditions or other acts of God, civil disturbances, fire, floods, acts of Government or any other authorities, accident to or failure of machinery or equipment or industrial action.

7. Refusal of Carriage

Tour operators reserve the right to remove customers from 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. When on the journey, travellers must abide by and comply with the authority and reasonable directions of the tour leader or local guide. At all times, the decision of the tour leader or local guide will be final on matters regarding group dynamics, and individual and group safety and well-being. If a tour leader or guide takes the view that you are unable to meet 'Minimum fitness levels' the tour leader may, in his/her sole reasonable discretion, prevent you from further participation in the journey. Additionally, should you fail to comply with a reasonable decision or direction of the tour leader or local guide, interfere with the wellbeing of the group, fail to respect the rights or beliefs of your fellow travellers, or commit an illegal, obscene or otherwise inappropriate act while on journey, the tour leader or local guide may in his/her reasonable discretion prevent your further participation in the journey. In such instances, we will use our reasonable efforts to assist with onward travel arrangements for the relevant traveller. No refund will be given for any unused portion of the journey in these circumstances.

8. Maps & Photographs

The maps in this brochure are intended as a guide only and are not to scale. They do not necessarily reflect actual routings or accommodation or attraction locations. Accommodation room photographs are representative only and actual rooms occupied may vary in decor and inclusions from those shown. Some images used in this brochure are supplied courtesy of tourist bureaus, hotels, tour operators. Some images used in this brochure are supplied courtesy of Wendy Wu Tours, Insider Journeys, Jenn Brown, Chris Lin, Simeon Patience, Ian Richards and Justin Weiler.

9. Product Descriptions

Product descriptions and accommodation ratings featured in this brochure are provided by the individual Suppliers. Facilities, features or ratings are subject to change at any time. Tours may not operate on certain dates and durations and departure times are approximate only. You should check at the time of booking for any changes to published information of which we may be aware.

10. Children's Prices

Children's prices for accommodation featured in this brochure refer to children occupying the same room/unit with at least two adults and using existing bedding. Additional charges will apply if extra beds (including rollaways and cots) are required. Prices for any other combination of children and adults can be obtained when booking.

11. Incidental Expenses

A credit card deposit is required by most Accommodation Suppliers at the time of check-in to cover incidental expenses not included in your holiday cost.

12. Airfares

Airfares not included unless otherwise specified. A number of airfares can be used in conjunction with your holiday package. All airfares are subject to availability and have special conditions. In most instances airfares must be paid in full at the time of booking and some may be non-refundable.

13. Travel Insurance

We strongly recommend you take out appropriate travel insurance to cover your travel arrangements. It is a condition of carriage with Insider Journeys that all travellers are adequately covered by travel insurance prior to departure and details must be provided at the time of booking as well as on arrival in Asia. Failure to do so may result in the cancellation of your tour with applicable cancellation fees being levied.

14. International Travel

Each passenger is responsible for their own visa, passport (with at least 6 months validity), immigration, quarantine, customs, health and other requirements of the countries to be visited or transited through. GO

Holidays makes no representations as to the safety, conditions or other issues that may arise at any destination. Travel advice is available from www.safetravel.govt.nz or www.mfat.govt.nz.

15. Tipping

Tipping is an expected element in the tourism industry today and China is no exception. The advertised prices for all Classic Group Tours and Deluxe Group Tours featured in this brochure exclude a mandatory tip, which is based on a minimum of 10 passengers travelling. The nominated tipping amount is to be given to your National Escort/ Local Guide at the beginning of your group tour upon arrival at your destination and they will do all necessary tipping on your behalf throughout your tour. Participation in the tipping scheme is a necessary component of travelling on Classic and Deluxe Group Tours. The exact amount required for tips per person in each currency will be advised in your final documentation. Tipping amounts will range from RMB320 to RMB1340 per person based on the tour itinerary and length and are subject to change at any time. Victoria Cruises, Century Cruises and President Cruises have a compulsory service levy which is paid in Chinese Yuan (RMB) immediately upon boarding the cruise. The amount payable is included in the advertised price for Classic Group Tours and Deluxe Group Tours which include a cruise. Tipping for all other product included in this brochure is at your discretion.

16. Transfers & Tours

Some Accommodation Suppliers provide courtesy transfers to/from the airport. It is essential that these transfers are pre-booked. Some Tour Suppliers provide complimentary pick up and return to your holiday accommodation and require a minimum number of passengers to operate. If minimum numbers are not achieved tours may be cancelled at short notice. Additionally, some Suppliers reserve the right to cancel departures for other reasons, including bad weather. Some tours and itineraries may also vary and attractions may be substituted due to seasonal conditions. GO Holidays will not be held liable for a service variation, cancellation, delay or withdrawal, or a Supplier's failure to notify you. A full refund applies for the cancelled tour.

17. River Cruises

Due to the unpredictable nature of weather and its effect on river conditions and water levels, it may on occasions be necessary to complete some elements of the itinerary by land, rather than by boat, or to alter the route of the vessel including substituting some planned stops for others. Such changes can occur at any time without prior notice or warning and no refunds will be given in this instance.

18. Seatbelts

Please note that seatbelts are not compulsory by law in the destinations featured in this brochure and therefore the local people largely choose not to wear them. For this reason local operators may or may not have seatbelts in vehicles or they may be hidden underneath protective seat covers. It is recommended that where seatbelts are available customers must use them and remain seated at all times while the vehicle is moving. As such, customers acknowledge that seatbelts may not be available and therefore travel at their own risk. Customers warrant that they shall not make any claim whatsoever arising for injury or damage in respect of, arising from or contributed to by the absence of seatbelts and hereby release the Supplier from all such claims.

19. Shared Rooms & Facilities

For tours which include overnight train trips all travellers will be in shared compartments, even if a single supplement has been paid due to cabin design. On overnight cruises the boats may have other passengers on board and shore excursions and other activities may include other passengers.

20. Maximum Numbers & Tour Leaders

For tours operated by Insider Journeys, a Western tour leader will accompany groups if 7 or more travellers are booked on a journey 30 days prior to its departure. If the group size increases above 7 travellers within 30 days of commencement, Insider Journeys will use reasonable efforts to secure a Western tour leader but this cannot be guaranteed. If the number is less than 7, the journey will likely operate with local English-speaking guides. In some situations, there will be a single local guide for the entire trip duration, however, in most cases there is a separate local guide in each city.

Small Group Journeys have a maximum group size of 16 people and are guaranteed to operate once they have two fully paid travellers. If there are 6 people or less on your departure, it may also mean there is a mix of local guides without a Western Tour Leader.

21. Minimum Fitness Levels

Tour operators featured in this brochure may require a doctor's certificate prior to confirmation for any traveller with a pre-existing medical condition or traveller entering their third trimester of pregnancy. Please carefully consider the Trip Grading for your tour of interest and choose a tour appropriate for your level of health and fitness. For Insider Journeys tours you must be able to perform the activities outlined in the 'Statement of fitness' section of the 'Insider Journeys Health Form and Condition of Travel' and disclose any pre-existing conditions that may affect the normal conduct of the tour and/or enjoyment of other tour members. Final confirmation of a booking is subject to receipt of complete and accurate information about your fitness. The nature of some shore excursions on river cruises in Asia means that for some excursions there are no formal jetties. People with limited mobility may find these areas difficult to access.

22. Legal Claims

The laws of New Zealand will govern any claims or legal action in connection with the provision of our services to you. Any claim or legal action against the Suppliers is likely to be subject to the terms of your contract with them, and may be governed by the laws of other countries.

PLEASE READ THESE CONDITIONS CAREFULLY

The guarantees under the Consumer Guarantees Act will apply to services supplied by us except where they are acquired, or are held out as being acquired for business purposes.



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