



China Highlight

\$5,059
for
acomprehensive true
“best of” tour to Beijing,
Xi’an, Guilin, Longsheng,
Yangshuo, Suzhou,
Hangzhou and Shanghai;
must see highlights of
this fascinating
country

Day 01

Beijing (No meal)

Arrive in Beijing, the dynamic capital of the People’s Republic of China. Once the imperial city of Mongol, Ming and Manchu emperors, Beijing today is still extraordinarily rich in historical sites and cultural relics. After clearing airport formalities, meet your CTS guide and transfer to your hotel.

Day 02

Beijing (B/L/D)

Tour the Tian’anmen Square, the biggest public square in the world. You will also be able to have a photo stop at The National Centre for the Performing Arts, formerly known as the National Grand Theatre, and colloquially described as The Egg. Afterwards, we visit Forbidden City,

the vast complex of palaces, which was home to successive Emperors for more than 500 years. Included is admission to the living quarters, museum and jewellery sections. Continue to visit the Beihai Park which is an imperial garden to the northwest of the Forbidden City. Stop at a Cloisonné Factory before dinner. Tonight you will experience the famous Beijing Duck banquet for your welcome dinner.

Day 03

Beijing (B/L/D)

Morning tour to the Great Wall at Juyongguan section, stretching almost 4,000 miles from the Pacific Ocean to the sands of Central Asia and befittingly crowned one of the ten wonders of the world. Along the way, you will stopover at a jade carving factory where you can

watch artisans at work. After lunch, continue to the Summer Palace, the largest and the best preserved of all imperial palace gardens, which boasts such delights as the famous Marble Boat and the ornately painted ‘Long Corridor’, and take a boat ride on its Lake Kunming if the weather permits. After dinner, you will witness the amazing Beijing Acrobatic Show.

Day 04

Beijing (B/L)

Morning, we enjoy a pedi-cab tour of Hutong – the ‘old city’ neighbourhoods of narrow alleyways and courtyard gardens, experience local life on a family visit. After our special lunch in a local family home, tour to the Temple of Heaven, the 500 year old Temple houses altars on which

sacrifices and offerings were laid to the gods in a glorious setting of gardens, tress and sculptures. Visit a local market if time permits. Evening at leisure.

Day 05

Beijing/Xi'an (B/D)

Morning, transfer to the airport for a flight to Xi'an. Upon arrival, visit the Shaanxi History Museum. Today you will sample the Xi'an dumpling dinner. Afterwards, you will see the Tang Dynasty Show. *Notice: The free open time of The Shaanxi History is from every Tuesday to Sunday. It is closed all day on Monday for refurbishment.

Day 06

Xi'an (B/L/D)

Morning tour to the greatest archaeological discovery of the century, more than 2,000 year-old Terracotta Warriors interred with the Emperor Qin Shi Huang. Included are the Circle Vision Movie and Bronze Chariot. On the way to the Terra-cotta Warriors and Horses Museum, we visit Xi'an Art Ceramic and Lacquer Ware Factory, which focus on the reproductions of terra-cotta warriors and horses and lacquer ware products. The craftsman in the factory, with professional knowledge, have made the replica of terra-cotta warriors and horses that popularly accepted as souvenirs and gifts by both Chinese and foreign visitors. In the afternoon, we walk through the lively Muslim Quarter and market, visit to the Great Mosque, a best-preserved Islamic mosque in China and focus for the 30,000 Chinese Muslims of Xi'an.

Day 07

Xi'an/Guilin (B)

You are free to further explore this historical city on own path until your transfer to the airport for your flight to Guilin. Upon arrival, transfer to the hotel.

Day 08

Guilin-Longshen-Guilin (B/L)

Today, we take a full day excursion to Longsheng, located in the mountainous region on the northeastern part of Guilin. The natural beauty and the colorful ethnic Chinese cultures and customs attract people from all over the world. After 2.5 hours drive (115KM beautiful mountain road) you will get to the Longji area, heping Township of Longsheng County. Visit Zhuang and Yao Minority tribes' villages and some families. You will see the beautiful terraced rice fields after arriving at the summit of Longji (Dragon's backbone). The terraced rice fields were first built in the Yuan Dynasty (about 800 years ago) and completed in

the Qing dynasty. The terraced fields are built along the slope winding from the riverside up to the mountaintop, which looks like a giant snail from afar. On the way back to hotel, we visit to Reed Flute Cave, a site of wonderful limestone caves, showcasing a dazzling variety of stalactite and stalagmite stone formations. If time permits, we will visit a pearl factory.

Day 09

Guilin-Yangshuo (B/L)

The Highlight of the trip to Guilin is a spectacular cruise down the meandering and picturesque Li River. The scenery is breath taking as jagged mist-covered mountains; quaint villages dot the riverbanks, drift past humped limestone peaks, fishermen aboard bamboo rafts and grazing water buffalo. You will also have a chance to roam Yangshuo's local market in the evening. The well-known West Street in Yangshuo also called Foreigner Street, which has a history more than 1400 years. Overnight in Yangshuo. If time permits, you will have a chance to enjoy the famous show named "Impression Liusanjie" at your own expense.

Day 10

Yangshuo-Guilin/Shanghai-Suzhou (B/L)

Morning will be free at leisure. You may rent a bike to further explore the stunning karst landscapes of Yangshuo at your own pace. Fly to Shanghai in the early evening, and then drive to Suzhou, a small town famous for its classic gardens and often so-called 'Oriental Venice' at your own expense.

Day 11

Suzhou-Hangzhou (B/L/D)

In the morning, you will visit the Master of the Nets Garden, Silk Spinning Mill. Afterwards, you will take a boat cruise on the Canal constructed over 1300 years ago in Sui Dynasty. If time permits, we

take a short visit to newly renovated Shan Tang Street. Late in the afternoon, we will travel by coach to Hangzhou, which is a well-known tourist historical, and cultural city and one of the six ancient capitals in China.

Day 12

Hangzhou-Shanghai (B/L/D)

Visit the Hua Gang Park and West Lake. You will surely appreciate the fabled scenery such as 'Broken Bridge', 'Autumn Moon over the Calm Lake' and 'Three Pools mirroring the Moon'. You will take a short cruise tour on the West Lake, and then visit Lingyin Temple, which is among the ten most famous Buddhist temples in China and has a history of over 1000 years. Hangzhou is famous for Longjing Green Tea, you will visit a tea plantation to taste its famous tea as well as learning about the ancient tea making process. Late in the afternoon, we will travel by coach to metropolitan Shanghai.

Day 13

Shanghai (B/L)

In the morning tour we will visit the Bund, a popular promenade along the Huangpu River, where the old meets the modern in Shanghai. Afterwards, we will visit the Old Town with its winding alleyways, lined with shops, teahouses and restaurants, and then to the elegant and tranquil Yu Garden. In the late afternoon we will visit Shanghai Xintiandi, which is a unique tourist attraction in downtown Shanghai, featuring the city's unique "Shikumen" houses and a maze of narrow alleys, which have been converted into cafes, restaurants, bars, art retail shops. Dinner will be on your own arrangement.

Day 14

Shanghai/Departure (B)

Today you are free for some last minute shopping before being transferred to the airport for your flight back home

PRICE

\$5,059 per person base on twin share;

TOUR INCLUSIONS & EXCLUSIONS

Inclusions

- China domestic economy class airfare, airport taxes and fuel surcharges
- 4-star hotel accommodation or similar on twin-share basis
- All transport (modern air-conditioned sightseeing and entrance fees as specified the itinerary)
- English-speaking local guides

Exclusions

- International flights
- Personal travel insurance
- Gratuities
- Tour extension (available on request)
- Personal expenses
- China visa fee

*All prices are based on minimum 2 people travelling together and are subject to the fluctuation of exchange rates, flight availability, airlines fuel surcharges and any other taxes occurred