



## Beijing - Xi'an - Shanghai

If this is your first trip to China and you are limited by time, then this is an ideal introduction for you to experience the warmth of oriental hospitality. You'll savour the exotic cuisine, diverse cultures and be tempted by endless shopping opportunities. This tour provides you with a good mix of historical attractions in Beijing & Xi'an where you'll visit the Great Wall, Temple of Heaven, Forbidden City, the Terracotta Warriors and much, much more. Your China Intro will conclude in the modern & cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, which is fast becoming one of the world's most popular fashion, food & business capitals.

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| <b>Duration</b>      | 10 Days, 9 Nights  |
| <b>Route</b>         | Beijing - Xi'an - Shanghai   |
| <b>Fitness Level</b> | Average  |
| <b>Tour Price</b>    | From AU \$1,719 per person - twin share 4-Star Hotels  |
| <b>Inclusions</b>    | 9 nights accommodation with Breakfast (B), Lunches (L) & Dinners (D) as per the itinerary, accredited English-speaking tour guide, transportation for all specified transfers, tours & 2 domestic economy class flights (inc. taxes), entry fees to shows & attractions as per the itinerary, visa application fees for Australian passport holders, complimentary travel wallet |
| <b>Exclusions</b>    | International airfares & taxes, personal expenses such as telephone, dry cleaning, taxi fares etc, gratuities to guides and drivers, optional activities, shows, meals or any items denoted by ** throughout the itinerary   |

### Suggested Itinerary:

- Day 1 On arrival to Beijing Airport, you'll be met by your guide and transferred to your hotel. Please note no meals have been arranged for today.
- Day 2 This morning you'll visit Tiananmen Square and tour the amazing Forbidden City - headquarters of the Imperial Emperors for more than 500 years. After lunch visit the tranquil settings of the Temple of Heaven where Emperors prayed for good harvests and the welfare of the people. This evening has been kept free for you to relax or consider any of the many options such as the highly acclaimed Kung Fu Show\*\* (BL)
- Day 3 Today you'll journey to the Great Wall of China and be overwhelmed as you walk along one of the greatest man-made structures in the world. You will also visit the Ming Tombs in the Shisanling Forest, resting place for 13 of the Ming Dynasty emperors. In the evening we've arranged for you to partake in a sumptuous Peking Duck banquet, which is one of China's most famous signature dishes. (BLD)
- Day 4 After breakfast you'll visit the Beijing Olympics site to stroll around the main venues such as the Birds Nest and Water Cube. In the afternoon, visit the magnificent Summer Palace retreat where the imperial court spent the summer months in Beijing. This evening has been kept free for you to consider more options such as attending the Beijing Opera\*\* or enjoying a relaxing massage\*\* (BL)
- Day 5 Take a morning Pedit cab tour of the Hutongs and back alleys of old-world Beijing. You'll view the gardens and architecture of Prince Gongwang's Palace and partake in a traditional tea ceremony. We've also arranged for you to experience a home-cooked meal before heading off for some retail therapy in the Silk Street Markets. Late in the afternoon you'll transfer to the airport for a flight to Xi'an where you'll be met by your guide and transferred to the hotel. (BL)
- Day 6 In the morning visit the City Wall, Drum Tower and the Shaanxi History Museum - one of the finest in China. Later you'll wander through the old Muslim town and visit the Grand Mosque. In the evening you'll enjoy a Royal Banquet and be entertained by the colourful performance of the Tang Dynasty Cultural Show. (BLD)
- Day 7 The highlight of today's tour is one of China's most amazing archaeological wonders - the Terracotta Warriors. Marvel as you study the 6,000 plus life-sized clay soldiers and their horses. Later you'll visit the large Wild Goose Pagoda and enjoy an evening free of activities. During the day where time permits, you'll visit some shopping venues with many interesting and tempting arts & craft. (BL)

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- Day 8 Depart Xi'an on a flight to Shanghai and be met by your guide and transferred to your hotel. After lunch take a leisurely stroll through the boulevards of the former French Concessions. Later you'll board a cruise and enjoy a buffet banquet along the Huangpu River. After the cruise you'll be transferred back to the hotel to retire for the evening. Alternatively, we can transfer you to the Xin Tian Di bar area to experience the nightlife of downtown Shanghai - from here you'll need to arrange your own way back\*\* to the hotel. (BLD)
- Day 9 Visit the Jade Buddha Temple and Yuyuan Gardens in Shanghai's old city quarter. Afterwards, stroll along the Bund to admire the architecture of the waterfront promenade and snap up a bargain in the busy markets around Nanjing Road. In the evening enjoy a BBQ banquet and cap off your tour with a breath-taking performance by the Shanghai Acrobatic Show. (BLD)
- Day 10 Enjoy some last minute shopping before your transfer to the airport for your onward journey. (B)

| <b>Tour Prices are per person twin-share in AU\$</b>            |  |                      |
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| <b>Travel Dates</b>   | <b>Total People Travelling</b>                       | <b>4-Star Hotels</b> |
| <b>01 Nov 2009 – 30 Nov 2009,<br/>01 Mar 2010 – 30 Nov 2010</b> | 2-3  | \$2,699              |
|   | 4-9  | \$2,239              |
|   | 10 or more   | \$1,959              |
| <b>01 Dec 2009 – 28 Feb 2010<br/>01 Dec 2010 – 28 Feb 2011</b>  | 2-3  | \$2,569              |
|   | 4-9  | \$2,059              |
|   | 10 or more   | \$1,719              |
| <b>5-Star Upgrade</b>   | Add an additional \$500 per person twin share        |                      |
| <b>Single Supplement</b>  | \$639 for 4-Star Hotels or \$1,089 for 5-Star Hotels |                      |

### **Important**

Please note that public holidays & seasonal demand directly affect availability, fares & accommodation pricing. To enable us to refine your travel plans and provide you with an accurate quotation, please send us some key details via our Enquiry Form. Prior to making a booking, please visit our Terms & Conditions web page to view our policies related to travel in China. We strongly recommend that you purchase Travel Insurance prior to your departure to safeguard against unforeseen events. LetsdoChina.com is a registered Safe Travel Charter Partner with the Australian Government's Department of Foreign Affairs and is an authorized agent to issue travel insurance. Visit our Quick Quote web site where you can also purchase an online policy. For further information, please go to our Travel Insurance web page and also find other useful links regarding advice on safe travel practices.

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