

YANGTZE DISCOVERY DOWNSTREAM



Chongqing - Shanghai

This cruise takes you on a fabulous adventure stretching from the picturesque 3 Gorges region to the modern metropolis of Shanghai. Various shore excursions have been planned to give you an insight into some wonderful places of interest that span the mighty Yangtze River. Along the way you'll also witness some beautiful sceneries and meet fascinating local people whose ancestors have inhabited these areas for thousands of years. Other highlights of your Discovery cruise are visits to the incredible 3 Gorges Dam and the magnificent Huangshan / Yellow Mountain.

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Duration	8 Days, 7 Nights
Route	Chongqing - 3 Gorges - Small Gorges - 3 Gorges Dam - Wuhan - Huangshan - Nanjing - Shanghai
Fitness Level	Average
Tour Price	From AU \$1,455 per person, twin-share - see details below
Inclusions	6 nights accommodation in a superior cabin with private balcony, Breakfast (B), Lunch (L) and Dinner (D) as per the itinerary, morning and afternoon tea & coffee breaks, accredited English-speaking cruise director, Captain's Welcome Cocktail Party, shore excursions, onboard lectures, shows and activities, 1 night complimentary pre-cruise accommodation in Chongqing, complimentary city tours in Chongqing & Shanghai, accredited English-speaking tour guide, transportation for all specified transfers & tours and entry fees for all included attractions.
Exclusions	Airfares & taxes, surcharges (see Important section below), visas, personal expenses such as telephone, dry cleaning, taxi fares, gratuities or any items denoted by ** throughout the itinerary

Suggested Itinerary:

- Day 1 Upon arrival in Chongqing, you'll be met at the airport by our local guide and driver who'll be waiting to escort you on a complimentary city tour. Afterwards you'll be transferred to your hotel for check-in and a complimentary overnight stay in Chongqing. (L)
- Day 2 Check-out after breakfast and then our local guide & driver will transfer you to the dock where you'll board the ship for check-in and preparation for an 10:00AM departure. Later this afternoon there is a shore excursion to Fengdu. (BLD)
- Day 3 Relax as you sail past towering cliffs and the rich vegetation of the amazing Qu Tang & Wu Gorges. Today there's a shore excursion planned for the smaller gorges of the Daning River and depending on river conditions, your Captain may direct you to Shennong Stream as an alternative. This evening you'll have an opportunity to meet fellow passengers and the ship's crew when you attend the Captain's Welcome Cocktail Party. Tonight the ship will also pass through the engineering marvel of the 3 Gorges Ship Lock. (BLD)
- Day 4 This morning you'll go ashore at Yichang to inspect the incredible 3 Gorges Dam - one of the world's largest engineering projects. Later you'll return to the ship as it sets off for Wuhan. (BLD)
- Day 5 Around midday there's a shore excursion to Wuhan - China's largest central city. Here you'll visit the Hubei Provincial Museum and discover artefacts that date back to the first century BC. Later return to the ship and continue sailing towards Shanghai. (BLD)
- Day 6 This morning you'll arrive in Guichi and after breakfast there's a full day shore excursion to visit the majestic Huangshan / Yellow Mountain. This is one of the major highlights of your cruise where you'll visit one of China's most scenic mountainous regions. If the weather and road conditions are unsuitable, you will visit Jiuhuashan - Mountain of the Nine Lotuses. In the evening you'll return to the ship and head for Nanjing. (BLD)
- Day 7 As day breaks you'll find yourself in Nanjing - a former ancient capital of China. A half-day tour has been planned which includes a visit to Dr Sun Yat-sen's Mausoleum. You'll also visit a Qing Dynasty style bazaar that surrounds a Confucian Temple. This evening the ship will leave Nanjing and set a course for your final destination - Shanghai. (BLD)

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Day 8 Today the ship will have a morning arrival in the modern city of Shanghai. After breakfast you'll bid farewell to the Captain and crew and disembark. You'll be met at the dock by our local guide and driver who'll be waiting to escort you on a complimentary city tour of Shanghai. Afterwards you'll be transferred to the airport for your onward journey. (BL)

Seasons:

High	April, May, September & October
Shoulder	March, June, July, August & November
Winter	January, February & December

Cruise Ship: Victoria Sophia Departs Chongqing on alternate Mondays between 12 March 2012 - 05 November 2012 Tour Prices per person in AU\$ in a Superior Cabin with balcony on the Main Deck		
Season	Twin-share	Single Traveller
Shoulder	\$1,455	\$2,530
High	\$1,625	\$2,820
Prices for cabins on other decks and suites are available on request		

Important

In lieu of tips, Victoria Cruises now charge a service charge of RMB 150 for cruises of 5 days and under, and RMB 300 for cruises of 7 days and over. The charge will be billed to passengers' credit cards upon check-in. This service charge does not include a gratuity to our river guide or cruise director, which may be given at passengers' discretion based on their satisfaction with services received.

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