



Beijing - Hohhot - Grassland - Baotou - Erdos

Beginning in Beijing, you'll visit some of China's most historical sites before heading inland for a remarkable journey to the land of the legendary Genghis Khan. As your adventure unfolds, you'll be fascinated by the distinctive personalities and colourful appearances of the Mongolian people. This tour is a rare opportunity for an insight into their history and well-preserved traditions such as a love for wrestling, horse racing and archery. You'll return with lasting memories of contrasting landscapes and passionate people who bare a striking resemblance to the Tibetan minorities.

Duration	10 Days, 9 Nights
Route	Beijing - Hohhot - Grassland - Baotou - Erdos - Hohhot - Beijing
Fitness Level	Average
Tour Price	From AU \$1,899 per person - twin share 4-Star Hotels
Inclusions	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, 1 domestic economy class air ticket, 1 soft sleeper train ticket, entry fees to shows & attractions as per the itinerary.
Exclusions	International airfares & taxes, visa application fees, 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 the 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 and time permitting, visit the Silk Street Markets for some retail therapy. In the evening you'll dine on a sumptuous Peking Duck dinner, one of China's most famous signature dishes. (BLD)
- 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. This evening has been left open for you to relax or consider options such as attending the Beijing Opera** or the highly acclaimed Kung Fu Show** (BL)
- Day 4 Enjoy a morning visit to the Beijing Olympics site to stroll around the main venues such as the Birds Nest and Water Cube. After lunch, visit the magnificent Summer Palace retreat and take a boat trip on Kunming Lake. In the evening transfer to the railway station for a soft sleeper overnight train bound for Hohhot. (BL)
- Day 5 Arrive in Hohhot and be met at the station by your local guide and transferred to your hotel. After breakfast visit the Inner Mongolia Museum, Zhaojun Tomb & Dazhao Lamasery. This evening has been left open for you to relax in your new surroundings. (BL)
- Day 6 Today you'll travel to the wonderful Grasslands region and depending on the weather conditions you'll go to Xilamuren, Huitengxile or Gegental. On arrival, you'll visit a herdsman's tent and enjoy some traditional Mongolian singing and dancing. You'll also have the opportunity of enjoying a horse ride along the grassy plains. Relax in the afternoon and look forward to a special Mongolian-style dinner and an overnight stay in a traditional Yurt[^]. (BLD)
- Day 7 If you are fortunate enough to be waking up in a Yurt this morning, you'll have a chance of catching a wonderful sunrise. After breakfast transfer back to Hohhot to visit the Five Pagoda Temple before heading to Baotou. (BL)
- Day 8 This morning you'll encounter a different terrain as you venture into the Kubuqi Desert. Board a cable car for the top of Yinke Resonant Sand Dunes. Here you'll have the choice of participating in a number activities including camel rides** and sand hill slides** etc. Later you'll leave on a road journey to the city of Erdos for an overnight stay. (BLD)

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- Day 9 A fabulous day lies ahead of you with a visit to the Mausoleum of Ghengis Khan. Later on your way back to Hohhot, you'll visit Wudangzhao Monastery - the only remaining Tibetan Temple in Inner Mongolia. Afterwards you'll continue to Hohhot where you'll be transferred to the airport for a flight to Beijing. On arrival you'll be greeted by your guide and transferred to your hotel. (BL)
- Day 10 Today you'll check out and transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

Important

^ Accommodation on the grasslands in a deluxe-style Yurt is only available in the optimal months of July & August. The most suitable period for this tour is June through to October to avoid the effects of harsh winter climate. Should conditions be too cold on the grasslands, you'll stay in a hotel in Hohhot. 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 to our Australian clients. Visit our Quick Quote 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.