

Yangtze Discovery Cruise

CHONGQING ● 3 GORGES ● 3 GORGES DAM ● WUHAN ● JUIHUASHAN ● NANJING ● SHANGHAI



Tour Summary

This downstream 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 witness some beautiful sceneries and meet fascinating local people whose ancestors have inhabited these areas for thousands of years. The main highlights of your Discovery cruise are visits to the incredible 3 Gorges Dam and the magnificent Huangshan / Yellow Mountain.

Activity Highlights

Chongqing City tour; Fengdu Ghost City excursion; Goddess Stream excursion; 3 Gorges Ship Lock; 3 Gorges Dam visit; Hubei Provincial Museum in Wuhan; Juihuashan Mountain tour; Nanjing tour - Sun Yat-sen's Mausoleum and Qing Dynasty Bazaar; Shanghai City tour.

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6 nights twin-share accommodation in a Superior Cabin with private balcony; 1 night complimentary pre-cruise accommodation & city tour in Chongqing; complimentary in Shanghai; Breakfast (B), Lunch (L) & Dinner (D) as per the itinerary; morning & afternoon tea & coffee breaks; share excursions; appeard lectures, shows & activities;

shore excursions; onboard lectures, shows & activities; Accredited English-speaking Cruise Director and Tour Guides; entry fees & transport for all tours and transfers.

Tour Itinerary

DAY 1 Chongqing Arrive in Chongqing and be met at the airport by your local guide and taken on a complimentary city tour. Later you'll be transfer to the hotel for your complimentary overnight stay in Chongqing.

DAY 2 Chongqing & Cruise

Check-out after breakfast and transfer to the dock where you'll board the ship for check-in and prepare for a 10AM departure. Later there is a shore excursion to Shibaozhai to see the famous wooden pagoda. (BLD)



DAY 3 The 3 Gorges

Relax as you sail past towering cliffs and the rich vegetation of the amazing Qutang & Wu Gorges. There's an excursion planned for the attractive gorges of Goddess Stream or you may venture to the smaller gorges of the Daning River or Shennong Stream depending on river conditions. Tonight you'll have an opportunity to mingle with other travellers and make some new friends as the ship passes through the engineering marvel of the 3 Gorges Ship Lock. (BLD)

DAY 4 The 3 Gorges Dam

This morning you'll go ashore at Yichang to visit 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 Wuhan This afternoon there's a shore excursion to Wuhan - China's largest central city. Visit the Hubei Provincial Museum and discover artefacts dating back to the first century BC. Later you'll return to the ship and continue sailing towards Shanghai. (BLD).

DAY 6 Juihuashan Mountain

This morning you'll arrive in Guichi and after breakfast there's a full day shore excursion to visit the majestic Mountain of the Nine Lotuses. 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 & road conditions are unsuitable, you will visit Huangshan (Yellow) Mountain as an alternative. In the evening you'll return to the ship and head for Nanjing. (BLD)



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DAY 7 Nanjing 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 in the surrounds of a Confucian Temple. Tonight the ship will leave Nanjing and set a course for your final destination - Shanghai. (BLD)



DAY 8 Shanghai 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 your local guide who'll escort you on a complimentary city tour of Shanghai. Afterwards you'll be transferred to the airport for your onward journey. (B)

Exclusions

Airfares & taxes, surcharges (see Important section below), visas, personal expenses such as telephone, dry cleaning, taxi fares, gratuities or any items not specified or denoted by ** throughout the itinerary.

Important Information

The Yangtze River is an ever-changing lifeline to many communities that inhabit its lengthy shorelines. Due to changes in weather, the river height can vary from time to time. Victoria Cruises monitor the waterway 24/7 and make use of different docks for boarding and disembarking. Similarly, the river height can affect the order in which you visit towns and landmarks on shore excursions. Victoria Cruises do an excellent job of keeping to their published itineraries, but they reserve the right to substitute shore excursion destinations and their order to suit river conditions.

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