

Yangtze Explorer Cruise

CHONGQING ● 3 GORGES ● 3 GORGES DAM ● YICHANG ● 3 GORGES ● CHONGQING



Cruise Summary

This round-trip journey offers you a more in-depth impression of the 3 Gorges region. The expanded itinerary captures many of the Yangtze's 3 Gorges highlights and is a great opportunity to witness the engineering marvels of the 3 Gorges Dam and its 2-way ship locks. Along the adventure you'll embark on interesting shore excursions to meet the local people and discover their cultural traditions & lifestyles that date back for thousands of years. The relaxed-pace cruise takes you deep into one of China's most treasured regions with delightful panoramas & striking topographies.

Activity Highlights

Complimentary Chongqing City tour; shore excursion to Fengdu's Ghost City; Qutang & Wu Gorges; Goddess Stream excursion, the 3 Gorges Ship Lock, 3 Gorges Dam, Tribe of the 3 Gorges Xiling excursion; Shennong Stream Small Gorges excursion, White Emperor City excursion.

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Inclusions

7 nights twin-share accommodation in a Superior Cabin with private balcony; Breakfast (B), Lunch (L) & Dinner (D) as per the itinerary; morning & afternoon tea & coffee breaks; 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 Chongging

On arrival to Chongqing Airport you'll be met at the airport by your local guide and taken on a complimentary city tour. Later you'll transfer to the dock where you'll board the ship in the early evening to prepare for a 9PM departure.

DAY 2 Fengdu

Wake to the Yangtze's gentle ebb and the stunning views that are drifting by. Over breakfast you'll become acquainted with the onboard activities and begin to visualize the excursion to the 'Ghost City' of Fengdu. This evening you'll have an opportunity to mingle with other travellers and make some new friends. (BLD)



DAY 3 The 3 Gorges

Relax as you sail past towering cliffs and the rich vegetation of Qutang & Wu Gorges. Today there's an excursion planned for Goddess Stream or depending on river conditions the smaller gorges of the Daning River. Later you'll sail through the engineering marvel of the 3 Gorges Ship Lock. (BLD)

DAY 4 The 3 Gorges Dam

This morning you'll go ashore to inspect the incredible 3 Gorges Dam - one of the world's largest engineering projects. After the tour of the dam you'll return to the ship. (BLD)

DAY 5 Tribe of the 3 Gorges

Today you'll enjoy an excursion that offers an interesting glimpse into the activities of the locals and their daily life in the Xiling Gorge region. (BLD)



DAY 6 Shennong Stream

Today you'll take an excursion to the beautiful & tranquil surrounds of Shennong Stream small gorges. Later you'll return to the ship and sail back through Wu and Qutang Gorges. (BLD)





DAY 7 White Emperor CityToday there's a shore excursi

Today there's a shore excursion to White Emperor City, which overlooks the western end of Qutang Gorge. (BLD)



DAY 8 Chonghqing

After breakfast the ship will dock back in Chongqing where you'll bid farewell to the Captain and crew and disembark. You'll be met at the dock by your local guide who'll be waiting to transfer you to Chongqing Airport. (BL)

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.

In lieu of tips, Victoria Cruises charge a service charge of 300RMB 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. Other than the shore excursions listed in the above itinerary, Victoria Cruises may offer optional excursions or services which will be charged directly to passengers at the time of your cruise.

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Chinese New Year

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Important Information

Victoria Cruises Terms & Conditions - Single supplement is 75% of the cruise fare in a standard cabin and 100% of the cruise fare in a suite. Children under 12 staying in the parents' cabin are charged 67% of the full cruise fare. Children under 2 are charged 10% of the full cruise fare. Parents with children 2 and over, and adults sharing a triple occupancy may find that a standard cabin is not roomy enough when a third bed or cot is placed in it. For such bookings, it is suggested that either a suite be reserved, or the third passenger reserve as a single or share basis in a separate cabin. In a standard cabin, infants under 2 must stay in a bed with a parent.

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Cruise Prices

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