

# WONDERS OF CHINA

14-night Escorted Tour

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**BEIJING • XI'AN • YANGTZE RIVER • GUILIN • LI RIVER • SHANGHAI**

Visit all the famous sights of China in just over two weeks. Experience the variety of wonders that China has to offer from the history of the Great Wall and the Teracotta Warriors to modern and cosmopolitan Shanghai. Take in the beauty of Guilin and the dramatic Three Gorges and don't forget the adorable Giant Pandas!

## FULLY INCLUSIVE TOUR

Tour prices include international flights, departure taxes, current fuel surcharges, domestic transportation, accommodation, all meals, daily tours, entrance fees, guides and visa fees for UK passport holders.

All you'll have to pay for locally is the compulsory tipping and personal expenditure such as souvenirs, drinks and any optional shows and excursions that aren't included in your itinerary. We pride ourselves on having 'no hidden extras'.



## Days 1-2 : UK – Beijing

Fly overnight to Beijing, China's capital City.

## Day 3 : Beijing

Sightseeing today includes a stroll through Tiananmen Square, past Chairman Mao's Mausoleum to the treasure-filled Forbidden City, which has the largest and best preserved collection of ancient buildings in China. We also take a rickshaw ride through the traditional Hutong areas and visit the unique Temple of Heaven. Our evening meal includes the local delicacy, Peking Duck.

## Day 4 : Beijing

Walk on the Great Wall to appreciate 2,000 years of historical significance whilst admiring the panoramic views. The Great Wall is China's most iconic attraction, which stretches over 3,000 miles from the Shanhaiguan Pass on the east coast to the Gobi Desert in the west. Also tour the exquisite Summer Palace. Enjoy a fascinating Chinese Acrobatic show in the evening.

## Day 5 : Beijing – Xian

Fly to the former ancient capital of Xian and visit the Shaanxi Museum which is home to thousands of priceless relics. In the evening we will enjoy a traditional Shui Jiao dumpling meal followed by a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

## Day 6 : Xian

Visit one of the most important archaeological discoveries of the 20th century – the Terracotta Warriors. The figures were created over 2,000 years ago to accompany Emperor Qin Shihuang into the afterlife. We also walk along the Ancient City Wall, stroll through the lively Muslim Quarter, past the Great Mosque to explore the Islamic food markets.

## Day 7 : Xian – Yichang - Yangtze River Cruise

Fly to Wuhan and transfer by coach to Yichang (approx 4.5 hours) to board our Yangtze River Cruise vessel for the next four nights.

FORBIDDEN CITY, BEIJING



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## Days 8-10 : Yangtze River Cruise

Enjoy a tour of the Three Gorges Dam before cruising upstream through some of the most dramatic scenery in the world. Over the next three days, we will take a side-trip to the striking Shennong Stream in a pea-pod boat or visit the Lesser Three Gorges. We also enjoy various shore excursions along the way, including the 'Ghost City' of Fengdu with its captivating temples.

## Day 11 : Chongqing – Guilin

Disembark from our cruise vessel this morning and visit the Panda House at Chongqing Zoo to see these adorable animals. Later, fly to the beautiful city of Guilin.

## Days 12-13 : Li River Cruise – Guilin

Cruise the stunning Li River and enjoy the breathtaking landscape of beautiful limestone hills, tranquil fishing scenes and picturesque villages. We continue downstream to the town of Yangshuo set in the lush green rice paddies of Southern China. The next day, explore the colourful local markets, walk along the cobblestone streets and soak in the atmosphere of this charming town before returning to Guilin to visit the stunning stalagmites and stalactites of the colourful Reed Flute Caves. We also see the cormorant fishermen.

LI RIVER CRUISE



## Day 14 : Guilin – Shanghai

Fly to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. We will also see the superb antiquities and fine arts of the Shanghai Museum and wander around neighbouring People's Square. Our dinner this evening will be of traditional Shanghai cuisine.

## Day 15 : Shanghai

Sightseeing today includes a stroll through the beautiful Yu Gardens, the Old Town and a walk along the famous Bund with its colonial architecture. We also visit the modern Pudong area and explore the restored Xintiandi area with its unique 1920's style shikumen buildings. In the evening, enjoy a cruise on the panoramic Huangpu River, where the historic Bund and the futuristic Pudong come face-to-face.

PUDONG, SHANGHAI



## Day 16 : Shanghai – UK

Fly to the UK, arriving home later the same day or the following morning depending on airline chosen.

### ESCORTED TOUR

One of the very special features about this tour is the constant presence of the National Escort and Local Guides. They will meet you at the airport on arrival and will be with you throughout your tour right up to your departure. The National Escort will be with you throughout the tour, while a Local Guide will be in individual locations to share their expert knowledge with you. All of the guides are knowledgeable and proud to show off their English skills - they are completely dedicated to making every minute of your stay in their country an enjoyable one.



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## EXTENSIONS

Your tour can be extended with a few nights in one of a number of destinations, depending on the airline you choose. Stopovers in the Middle East are popular, with Dubai and Abu Dhabi being possible when flying with Emirates. Hong Kong also works well, with itineraries taking in Lantau Island or Macau also being possible. We can also arrange a beach extension in Sanya, or a visit to Japan taking in Tokyo, Mt Fuji and a ride on the Bullet Train!

Here's a few ideas for extensions to this tour:

### DUBAI

3 nights from £290 per person



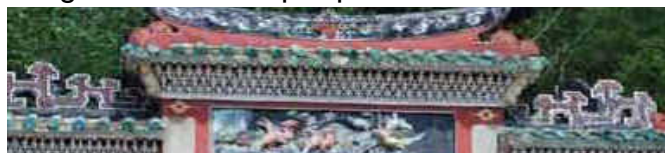
Explore modern Dubai with a 3 night stopover, Including a half day tour taking in some of the cities highlights such as the Creek, the Gold Souq and Dubai Museum.

- 3\* Marco Polo Hotel from £290 per person
- 4\* Traders Hotel from £420 per person
- 5\* Sheraton Jumeirah from £520 per person

Prices are based on itineraries flying with Emirates and are subject to seasonal variations

### HONG KONG & MACAU

3 nights from £370 per person



Spend 3 nights in Hong Kong with a half day island tour included, plus travel by hydrofoil to Macau for a day trip taking in St Paul's Church, Ama Temple and a casino.

- 3\* BP International from £370 per person
- 4\* Park Hotel from £400 per person
- 5\* Intercontinental Grand from £500 per person

Prices exclude connecting flights from your tour and are subject to seasonal variations

## Meals

All meals (excluding beverages) are included in the fully inclusive group tours. Breakfast is a mix of local and western food, usually served in a buffet style. Lunches and dinners consist of traditional local cuisine, with a wide range of dishes to choose from so that you can experience the local dishes, their individual flavours as well as the different ways they are prepared and cooked. Meals on group tours start with lunch on the normal day of arrival and finish with lunch on the normal day of departure. As we offer a range of flight options, passengers may arrive and depart at different times during the day.

## Hotels

All of the hotels used in China are of international four-star or three-star superior standard. In remote areas, accommodation may be of a lower standard and may not have all western amenities. The hotels are selected for their comfort, convenience of location and character.

## Group Sizes

All group tours are guaranteed to run subject to a minimum of 8 passengers. A National Escort will accompany the group subject with a minimum of 10 passengers. The maximum group size varies depending on the tour, but is never more than 28 passengers.

## Tipping

As with most countries, tipping is a way of life in China. For our passengers' convenience we ask for a compulsory amount to be paid at the beginning of our group tours to cover tipping for guides, drivers, restaurant staff etc. For this itinerary, tips of approximately US\$65 per person is required. Exact tipping amounts will be stated in your final documentation pack.



Tour details are correct to the best of our knowledge, however, they are provided for guidance purposes only. Please check the details of any features that are important to you at the time of booking.

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