

Best of China 12 Days

Beijing, Xi'an, Guilin, Yangshuo, Shanghai

Early bird discount by booking 90 days before departure date (apply to adult only):

Group of 1-3 people:	discount \$100.00/person
Group of 4-6 people:	discount \$150.00/person
Group of 7-10 people up:	discount \$200.00/person

Departure Date	Return Date	Adult Fare	Land Only (No Int'l Airfare)	Child Fare (12yrs under no bed)	Single Supplement
Mar. 5, 19	Mar. 16, 30	\$2,499	\$1,699	\$2,199	\$449
Apr. 2, 19	Apr. 13, 30	\$2,599	\$1,799	\$2,299	\$469
May 3, 17	May 14, 28	\$2,599	\$1,799	\$2,299	\$469
Jun. 7, 21	Jun. 18 Jul. 2	\$2,669	\$1,799	\$2,369	\$469
Jul. 5, 19	Jul. 16, 30	\$2,669	\$1,799	\$2,369	\$469
Aug. 2, 16	Aug. 13, 27	\$2,669	\$1,799	\$2,369	\$469
Sep. 6, 20	Sep. 17 Oct. 1	\$2,599	\$1,799	\$2,299	\$469
Oct. 4, 18	Oct. 15, 29	\$2,599	\$1,799	\$2,299	\$469
Nov. 1, 8	Nov. 12, 19	\$2,499	\$1,699	\$2,199	\$449

The above fares are for passengers departing from Vancouver.

Domestic add-on fares are:

From Victoria, Calgary & Edmonton: Additional \$200/person

From Toronto, Ottawa & Montreal: Additional \$400/person

Price includes:

1. Round trip International airfare from Vancouver to China
2. All the transportation services in China (Land, Air, Water).
3. Deluxe or First class hotels in China (based on double occupancy).
4. Daily meals listed on the itinerary (Buffet breakfast in hotel, Chinese traditional lunch & dinner).
5. All luggage transfer service between airports and hotels in China.
6. Professional English speaking tour guide.
7. Admissions to all tourist sites listed in the itinerary.
8. Free Travel Accidental insurance in China.

Price does not include:

1. Airport taxes and fuel surcharges
2. Chinese visa fee (Chinese Consulate charge \$50.00 per person for single entry + we charge \$20.00 as service fee)
The web site for Chinese Embassy is: <http://www.chinaembassycanada.org/eng/lsw/t425197.htm>
3. Gratuity for tour guides, driver & porter
4. Any personal expenditures, such as phone bills, laundry, etc
5. Travel Insurance (Medical and Trip Cancellation & Interruption)
6. Any other charges not listed in the itinerary

Tour Highlights

Beijing: Forbidden City (UNESCO World Heritage), Tian-an-men Square, Temple of Heaven (UNESCO World Heritage), the Great Wall (UNESCO World Heritage and One of Eight World Wonders), the Ming Tomb (UNESCO World Heritage) , Summer Palace (Imperial Garden, UNESCO World Heritage), 2008 Summer Olympic Stadiums, Chinese Acrobatic Show, Peking Roast Duck Fine Dinner

Xi'an: Ancient City Wall and Gate, Big Wild Goose Pagoda, Terra Cotta Warriors and Horses Museum (UNESCO World Heritage and the Eighth World Wonders), Shanxi Provincial Historical Museum, Tang Dynasty Dancing and Singing Show, Dumping Banquet.

Guilin: Elephant Trunk Hill, Reed Flute Caves, Boat cruise Tour on Li River.

Yangshuo: West Street, Village Tour by sightseeing car, Special Home Style Recipe Lunch.

Shanghai: the Bund, Yuyuan Garden, Nanjing Road, Shanghai Museum

Day-By-Day Itinerary**D1 | Vancouver - Beijing**

Start your tour by taking flight to Beijing. Cross the International Date Line. Lose one day on the road.

D2 | Arrive Beijing

Today, you'll arrive in Beijing, the capital city of China. Your tour guide will greet you at the airport arrival hall and then transfer to your deluxe hotel for a good night's rest.

D3 | Beijing (B, L, D)

Beijing served as the capital of 5 dynasties over a period of 800 years. Start your city tour with a visit to the **Tiananmen Square**, the largest public square in the world. Next stop is the **Forbidden City**. This complex, the largest and most intact conglomeration of ancient structures of the imperial palace ever built in the world, features more than 800 buildings with 9999 rooms, resplendent golden-glazed roofs, red lacquered pillars and vermilion

walls. In the afternoon, continue your tour to the **Temple of Heaven**, which was used by Emperors to offer sacrifices to heaven and pray for good harvest in ancient times. In the evening, enjoy a fabulous **Peking Roast Duck Banquet**. Back to hotel for rest or attend an optional energetic show-- “Legend of Kung-fu” at your own expense.

D4 | Beijing (B, L, D)

The highlight today is a trip to the astonishing **Great Wall** at Juyongguan Pass. More than 12,000 Kilometers in total, the Great Wall is the most famous image of China throughout the world. It is the only manmade object visible from the moon, and as one of the Eight Wonders of the world. It is also a symbol of Chinese traditional culture and the pride of the Chinese nationality. On the way to the Great Wall this morning, you'll also have an opportunity to shop at the **largest Jade Center of Asia**. After lunch, see skilled artisans at work at a **Cloisonné Factory**. Then take motor coach to the **Ming Tombs** and visit the **Changling Exhibition Hall**. Back to city, walk along the New Qianmen Street and have an outside view of the beautiful **Bird's Nets and Water Cube** up close. After dinner, cap off the day by attending a superb performance of **Chinese Acrobatic Show**.

D5 | Beijing (B, L)

The morning tour is the visit to the exquisite **Summer Palace (Imperial Garden)**. It is the largest ancient preserved garden in China and a former summer resort for Emperors. We may take a boat ride on Lake Kunming while touring inside the Summer Palace (weather permitting). A shopping visit to a **Silk Carpet Shop** followed by lunch. You'll have your afternoon free to explore the city by yourself. You may choose to join optional Hutong Tour to experience the normal life of local people: a special journey exploring the ancient Beijing Alley District by a Tricycle , plus a visit to a local family and a local market; or just pace yourself in the Wang-fu-jing Business Street, also called Gold Street. With hundreds year of history, Wang-fu-jing area is the best place to capture the historical and modern cultures of Beijing. Today's dinner will be on your own.

D6 | Beijing - Xi'an (B, L, D)

Fly to Xi'an in the morning. Xi'an was the first Chinese city opening up its doors to the world during the Tang Dynasty. Over a period of more than 2000 years, Xian was the capital for eleven dynasties. Upon arrival, you will go to visit the **Terra Cotta Warriors and Horses Museum**, sightseeing the attached life-sized defending army to the first emperor of China, Qin Shi Huang. It is regarded as “the eighth wonder of the world” and among the top archaeological excavations of the 20th century. Visit an **Art Ceramics Factory** before we enjoy the special local **Imperial Dumpling Banquet Dinner** and the traditional **Tang Dynasty Singing and Dancing Show** in the evening.

D7 | Xi'an - Guilin (B, L, D)

You will visit **Shanxi Provincial Historical Museum** in the morning. Enjoy a local special noodle lunch and watch **Noodle Making Performance** during meal. After lunch visit the **Ancient City Wall** which is not only the most complete city wall that has survived in China, but also one of the largest and most complete ancient military defense systems in the world. Then visit the **Big Wild Goose Pagoda**, the symbol of the city. It is said to have been built to house and protect Buddhist scriptures collected by the Chinese monk, Xuan Zang, the key figure in 《Journey to the West》. Fly to Guilin in the evening. Transfer to hotel upon arrival.

D8 | Guilin - Yangshuo (B, L, D)

Take a boat cruise from Guilin along the **Li River**, one of the finest excursions on your tour of China. The journey downstream to **Yangshuo** offers 30 miles of breathtaking scenery. You may have an opportunity to catch the fascinating sights of fisherman with cormorant birds while enjoy your lunch on board. Arrive in the so called "Global Village" Yangshuo in the afternoon. You will have some free time after getting to **West Street**. Situated at the center of Yangshuo, West Street is the oldest street with a history of more than 1,400 years. It is greatly admired by foreigners for its simple style and courtyard-like setting. Surrounded by an array of traditional folks and amazing international elements, you'll find West Street a terrific place to take a rest, both physical and psychological. Your time on the West Street is an experience to be with the landscape, with the people, and with the soul. After dinner, you can choose to attend an optional program: The large-scale live performance on the Li River--**The Impression Sanjie Liu**. This performance expresses the beautiful scenery of the Li River, the colorful culture of the ethnic groups in Guangxi and the brave imagination of the excellent artists in China. It is the first of its kind in the world.

D9 | Yangshuo - Guilin (B, L, D)

After breakfast, take a sightseeing car to explore the beautiful **Yangshuo local village**. Water buffalos, rice fields, the villagers working in the field and beautiful landscapes constitute a breath taking picture you'll never forget. Enjoy special local recipes lunch before returning to Guilin by coach. Upon arrive in Guilin, continue your tour to visit the **Elephant Trunk Hill** and the **Reed Flute Caves** where you'll be impressed by the fantastic Karst limestone formations. Visit **Guilin Art Gallery** afterwards and it is the only comprehensive Art Gallery in Guangxi Province. In the evening, attend a **Minority Folk Dance Performance** after dinner.

D10 | Guilin - Shanghai (B, L, D)

This morning, you will be transferred to airport and fly to Shanghai, the modern metropolis and commercial center of China. Your half day city tour starts by walking along the famous **Bund**, a mile-long stretch along the Huangpu River. Lined by the colonial architectures of European design, this area is the best place to capture the western influences of the old days. Continue to visit the Ming Dynasty **Yuyuan Garden**, which is considered to be one of four greatest Chinese gardens. Our final stop will be the bustling shopping district, **Nanjing Road**. After dinner you may take optional tour, the **Night Cruise** on the Huangpu River at your own expense.

D11 | Shanghai (B, L)

After breakfast, visit **Shanghai Museum** to see the ancient Chinese art, furniture and jade exhibition. After ample time admiring the numerous exhibits, you'll be given an opportunity to shop for the highest quality **Silk Goods**. This afternoon, we'll leave it free for you at leisure. You may take the time to do some last minute souvenir and gift shopping or explore this city on your own.

D12 | Shanghai – Beijing – Vancouver (B)

Your China journey is over all too soon as we transfer you to the airport and board the homebound international flight, bidding a fond farewell to this ancient land. We know the trip is over, yet the experiences and memories will certainly last for a life time. You'll get home the same day you leave China. Or you may extend your stay. You may consider joining one of our optional tours. Please check our website for more information.

Shanghai Expo Extension: (1 night)

D12 | Shanghai (B)

Our tour guide will transfer you to visit World Expo 2010 in Shanghai.

[World Expo 2010 Shanghai China is the occasion for China to bring the world at home, and for the world to feel at home in China. By dedicating a 5.28-square-kilometer area at the core of the city to exhibitions, events and forums on the Expo theme, "Better City, Better Life," Shanghai hopes to build a powerful and lasting pilot example of sustainable and harmonious urban living.](#)

D13 | Shanghai – Beijing – Hometown (B)

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Hong Kong Extension: (2 nights)

D12 | Shanghai - Hong Kong (B)

After breakfast Tour guide will transfer you to the airport continue your trip to Hong Kong. Arrive in Hong Kong. Free in the afternoon for individual pursuits.

D13 | Hong Kong (B)

Enjoy Breakfast at hotel. Pick up at hotel around 9am for half day tour of Hong Kong Island to Victoria Peak, Repulse Bay, Stanley Market, Aberdeen Fishing Village [sampan boat ride there not included], jewelry factory visit, etc. Go back to hotel after tour. Free in the afternoon for individual pursuits.

D14 | Hong Kong – Beijing – Hometown

Check out of hotel and fly back to your sweet home.

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