
8 - day Best of China Tour

- D 01 Hong Kong → Guilin(D)** **4 star Bravo Hotel or similar**
Arrive in Guilin in the afternoon from Hong Kong, meet your guide in the airport and transfer to your hotel after dinner.
- D 02 Guilin (B/L/D)** **4 star Bravo Hotel or similar**
According to a popular Chinese saying, Guilin's scenery bests all others in the world. Its shapely-rising limestone towers and crystal-clear waters are often portrayed in Chinese artworks. Adding to its natural beauty are many fascinating caves. Sightsee at the Elephant Trunk Hill, Reed Flute Cave. The limestone karst formation in this area is extensively eroded underground and Reed Flute Cave is one of the finest examples of these caves. Take a boat cruise trip from Guilin along the Lijiang River for one of the finest excursions on your tour of China. The journey downstream to Yangshuo offers 30 miles of breathtaking scenery. Then drive back to Guilin, you will be treated with a local Minority Dancing and Singing Show in the evening.
- D 03 Guilin → Xian (B/L/D)** **4 star Titan Times Hotel or similar**
Fly to Xian in the morning, the first Chinese city to open up its doors to the ancient world during the Tang Dynasty as the first step on the Silk Road. Over a period of more than 2,000 years, Xian was the capital of eleven dynasties. Upon arrival sightseeing the Shanxi Provincial History Museum and the Ancient City Wall, it is not only the most complete city wall that has survived in China, but it's also one of the largest and most complete ancient military defense systems in the world. Enjoy the Dumpling Banquet dinner and the Tang Dynasty Singing and Dancing Show in the evening.
- D 04: Xian (B/L/D)** **4 star Titan Times Hotel or similar**
Visit the Terra Cotta Warriors and Horses, the attached defending army to the first emperor of China, it is regarded as "the eighth wonder of the world" and among the top archaeological excavations of the 20th century. Visit the Large 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". The day will end with a visit to the Porcelain Terra Cotta Warriors Factory.
- D 05: Xian → Beijing (B/L/D)** **5 star Jade Palace Hotel or similar**
Fly to Beijing in the morning, it had served as the capital of 5 dynasties over a period of 800 years with each emperor identified as a dragon sent from the heaven. Upon arrival, you will tour the Summer Palace, the largest ancient preserved garden in China and a former summer resort for Emperors and the chosen few. Then also visit the biggest Jade Exhibition Center in Asia before dinner. Enjoy the famous Peking Duck dinner in the evening.
- D 06: Beijing(B/L/D)** **5 star Jade Palace Hotel or similar**
Start your city tour to visit 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 within 9,999 rooms, resplendent golden-glazed roofs, red lacquered pillars and vermilion walls. Next stop is the Tiananmen Square, the largest public square in the world, its monuments and buildings situated around the square's perimeter. Visit the Temple of Heaven, which was used to offer sacrifices to heaven and pray for good harvest in ancient times. Visit the Cloisonné Factory. Enjoy the famous acrobatic show in the evening.
- D 07: Beijing(B/L/D)** **5 star Jade Palace Hotel or similar**
View the National Stadium (Bird's Nest) of further, and the highlight today is a trip to the astonishing Great Wall at Juyongguan Pass. The Great Wall is the most famous image of China throughout the world. It is the only man-made object visible from the moon, and is one of the Eight Wonders of the world. It is also a symbol of Chinese traditional culture and the pride of the Chinese nation. Later visit the Sacred Path of Ming Tombs. 13 of the 16 Ming emperors have their tombs here. This is an attractive destination with a lot of natural scenery. Visit the Tong Ren Tang Chinese Herbal Medicine Center.
- D 08: Beijing → Hong Kong (B)**
Tour guide will transfer you to the airport and fly to Hong Kong.

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Your net price for above itinerary is \$1860 per person, including the flights, the hotels, meals specified, English guide, transfers and entrance fees in the itinerary.

Not included: Tips: \$12 per day per person.



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