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Yangtze River & Cultural Delights - 13 Days - Beijing / Xi'an / Chengdu / Yangtze River Cruise / Shanghai

This journey is designed for first time visitors to see China's World famous sites: the Great Wall, Tiananmen Square, the Forbidden City in Beijing and Terracotta Warriors in Xi'an. An excellent opportunity to learn more about pandas at the Panda Reserve in Chengdu and to enjoy the spectacular view of the Three Gorges of the Yangtze River and the World's biggest engineering projector – Three Gorges Dam. The tour finishes up in the vibrant and modern city of Shanghai

Day 1 Arrive Beijing

Beijing is the capital of China and the host city of the 2008 Olympics. On arrival, you are met and transferred to your hotel.

Day 2 Beijing

The morning begins with a visit to Tiananmen Square, then a stroll through Forbidden City, and climb up to Jingshan Hill to enjoy a panoramic view of the Forbidden City. The last stop is at the Temple of Heaven. For dinner, sample the famous Peking Duck a well known Beijing dish. (B/L/D)

Day 3 Beijing

Today visit the 2008 Olympic Site to see the Bird's Nest National Stadium and Water Cube Aquatic Center, then walk on the Great Wall at Mutianyu section, en route stop at the Sacred Way and Ming Tomb. (B/L)

Enjoy your trip by private car & with personal guide!

Departures every Monday or Saturday

Trip Grading: Easy to Moderate

Extended Stay / Customise

* Standard package price from \$2967p.p.

* Superior package price from \$3339p.p.

* Deluxe package price on request.

Day 4 Beijing / Xi'an

Explore the alleyways - "Hutong" by riding on a traditional rickshaw to catch close-up glimpses of local life, and then head off to the Summer Palace - a former imperial summer resort. Take an overnight soft sleeper train to Xi'an.(B/L)

Day 5 Xi'an

After breakfast at your hotel, visit the amazing Terracotta Warriors and the Big Wild Goose Pagoda. Enjoy a local specialty - dumpling dinner. (B/L/D)

Day 6 - 7 Chengdu

Stroll on the original City Wall and explore the back streets of the Old Muslim Quarters and the Old Mosque, before flying to Chengdu – the hometown of Giant Panda. The next day enjoy a scenic drive to 71m high Buddha statue at Leshan county, walk down to the foot of the Buddha and hop on a boat to overlook this giant Buddha from the river. (B/L)

Day 8 Chengdu / Chongqing

Today visit the fascinating Giant Panda Breeding and Research Center to watch these adorable creatures, then explore a bustling teahouse and lively People's Park before taking a train to Chongqing for your Yangtze River cruise ship. (B/L)

Day 9 - 10 Yangtze River Cruise

Sail through the Three Gorges on a wooden boat to explore Shennong Stream and remote villages, visit the Three Gorges Dam site and pass through the World's biggest ship lock. Enjoy many on-board cultural activities such as painting and embroidery demonstrations, and Tai Chi lessons. (B/L/D)

Day 11 Yichang / Shanghai

Disembark at Yichang then transfer to the airport for your flight to Shanghai. On arrival, you are met and transferred to your hotel. (B/L)

Day 12 Shanghai

Enjoy a morning stroll along the Bund, take an under river cable car to Pudong New Development Area to see amazing changes in Shanghai, enjoy panoramic views of Shanghai from landmark of Oriental Pearl Tower, and then visit typical Chinese classic garden - Yu Garden, wonder through the Old Quarter to observe local life and to bargain shopping at neighbouring Yu Bazaar. In the evening, sample a local specialty dinner. (B/L/D)

Day 13 Depart Shanghai

You will be transferred to the airport for your next destination. (B)

Ask for an air-inclusive quote!

Inclusions:

- 8 nights selected hotel accommodation
- 3 nights selected cruise ship
- 2 internal flights
- Listed meals: B-Breakfast, L-Lunch, D-Dinner
- Professional English speaking guide
- Arrival/departure meeting and assistance
- All transfers in A/C vehicle
- Sightseeing and associated entrance fees

Exclusions:

- International airfare
- Travel insurance
- Chinese Visa
- Personal expenses
- Gratuity & tips

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