



Best of Taiwan

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The Offer

Experience the enchanting beauty of Taiwan like never before with our 11-day adventure. This captivating tour unveils the stunning coastlines, green mountain villages and enchanting cities this island gem has to offer on an epic coast-to-coast tour.

Your adventure begins in Taiwan's vibrant capital, Taipei, where you will marvel at the spectacular skyline; crowned by the 509m-tall, bamboo-shaped Taipei 101 skyscraper, and immerse yourself in Taiwan's history at the National Palace Museum. From here, you will embark on a scenic excursion, winding through the lush mountains, and explore the charming green villages of Shifen and Jiufen. These picturesque towns are famous for their sky lanterns and narrow alleyways packed with teahouses, street-food shacks and souvenir shops.

As you journey eastward to Hualien City, the night comes alive at the Dongdaemun Night Market, offering a delicious array of Taiwanese street food such as bubble tea, Taiwanese meatballs and scallion pancakes. Once you have satisfied your tastebuds, journey to the mesmerising Taroko National Park, with its awe-inspiring marble cliffs, emerald forests and turquoise rivers.

Travel along the remote east coast aboard the meticulously restored 'Breezy Blue' train, a beloved icon of the Taiwanese railroad, in operation since the 1950s. Feel the breeze and take in the picturesque ocean views on this nostalgic train ride before reaching Kaohsiung, where you will visit the Lotus Pond, Dragon and Tiger Temple, and Qi Ming Tang Temple. From here, you will visit one of the best-preserved historical sites in Taiwan, Hinoki Village, a complex of beautifully preserved wooden buildings from when the Japanese ruled. Continue into the mountains to the Alishan National Scenic Area, where you will explore beautiful natural surroundings, including pristine forests and ancient trees. Finally, experience an unforgettable cruise on Sun Moon Lake, the largest lake in Taiwan. Nestled in the foothills of rolling hills and mountains, sailing on the lake's calm waters is the perfect experience to wrap up your Taiwan odyssey before returning to Taipei for one final day of leisure.

This fantastic package includes return international full-service flights, 9 nights of hotel accommodation, 10 meals, 2 iconic railway journeys, return airport transfers and so much more.



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Want more? Add extra days to your itinerary with Arrive Early and Stay Behind in Taipei packages.

Tour Only Package: Enjoy this package with the freedom of adding your own international arrival and departure flights.



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The Map





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The Itinerary

Day 1 Australia (or New Zealand) - Taipei, Taiwan

Today fly from Australia (or New Zealand) to Taipei, the capital of Taiwan. Upon arrival in Taipei, you will be met and transferred to your hotel accommodation.

Please note:

- *Flights may depart the afternoon/evening of Day 0, and you will be required to be at the airport a day prior.*
- *Standard check-in time is 15:00, and for travellers who arrive early, luggage storage will be available at reception.*

Tour Only Package: If purchasing the Tour Only option, you are required to make your own way to the accommodation for check-in. Details will be indicated on your final documentation, which you will receive 4-6 weeks prior to departure.

Overnight: The Place Taipei or similar

Meals included: In-Flight

Day 2 Taipei & Surroundings Day Tour

This morning, depart Taipei and travel to the nearby Pingxi district where you will enjoy a quick ride along the Pingxi Branch Line. This is an 8-mile stretch of narrow-gauge railroad that runs alongside the Keelung River. Taking a ride on the Pingxi Line is like taking a step back in time and is one of the most popular day trips from Taiwan.

Step off the train in the town of Shifen, which is a popular town for launching sky lanterns. Sky lanterns are a Taiwanese tradition and Pingxi district is one of the only places where you are allowed to launch them. The paper lanterns inscribed with one's hopes for the coming year are launched into the sky and the preferred place to launch them is right on the tracks which makes

for some great people watching. Here you will have the opportunity to launch a sky lantern (4 travellers to one sky lantern).

Afterwards continue to the small mountainous village of Jiufen, made famous largely due to its similarity to the village in Spirited Away, arguably Hayao Miyazaki's most popular movie. Here you will enjoy time at leisure to explore Jiufen and have lunch (not included). We suggest you explore the picturesque Old Street which is a narrow alleyway lined up with small food stalls, tea houses, souvenir shops, and pottery stores. The most picturesque tea house in Jiufen is A-Mei Teahouse. This multi-story teahouse is strategically located just a little off the main street, perched on top of a hill. From their balcony, you can admire the picturesque view in front of you, Keelung Mountain to the right and the Northern shores of Taiwan on the left.

Afterwards continue back to Taipei and enjoy a quick stop at a duty free shop before continuing onwards to Taipei 101, which was the tallest building in the world from 2004 to 2010. Here you have time at leisure to explore the modern shopping centre and foodcourt, or alternatively take a trip up to the observatory at the top of the tower (not included, additional cost paid on tour).

Please note: *The Pingxi Line train is currently closed due to storm damage. The railway is undergoing repairs, and operations hope to resume sometime in early 2026. If the train line has not reopened in time for your departure, this short train journey will be replaced with a coach transfer.*

Overnight: The Place Taipei or similar

Meals included: Breakfast



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Day 3 Taipei Sightseeing - Hualien - Hualien Night Market

Today head for some more sightseeing in Taipei before continuing onwards towards Hualien City on the rugged and beautiful East Coast of Taiwan.

The first stop in Taipei will be the National Palace of Museum which boasts the world's largest and most impressive collection of Chinese art and artefacts, dating back more than 7,000 years. After visiting Longshan Temple, which is one of the most famous temples in Taiwan. After driving past the Presidential Building before arriving at the Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall, a national monument and tourist attraction erected in memory of Chiang Kai-shek, former President of the Republic of China.

Continue onwards to Hualien City (approx 170km). On arrival, check into your hotel, where you may enjoy some time at leisure. Later this evening, take a short trip to the Hualien (Dongdamen) Night Market. Opened in 2015, the Hualien Night Market is the largest (and certainly most entertaining) market on the East Coast of Taiwan. Also known as the Dongdamen Night Market, the sprawling wide-laned marketplace is a must-visit experience when spending an evening in Hualien. With over 400 vendors at the night market, the amount of food on offer is incredible. And it isn't just Taiwanese food either; you can find items from mainland China, America, Thailand, Japan and numerous other regions as well. Due to the enormous amount of food on offer and the variety you can sample, it is an easy place to get a unique, inexpensive dinner (not included).

Overnight: Hualien Holiday Hotel or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 4 Hualien - Taroko National Park - Shitiping - Taitung City

Today, head out for an exciting journey into Taiwan's most famous National Park. Taroko National Park is a natural wonderland nestled in the heart of Taiwan. This enchanting destination offers a mesmerising fusion of awe-inspiring marble cliffs, verdant forests and meandering turquoise rivers. Here you will enjoy the opportunity to explore majestic gorges, ancient shrines and cascading waterfalls.

Afterwards, enjoy a local lunch and then continue onwards to Shitiping on the coast, where you will find a huge, well-developed sea erosion terrace. The marine bench, raised coral reefs, sea ditches, and sea cliffs can be easily spotted, among which the pothole landscape is the best in Taiwan. Finish the day in Taitung City on the south East Coast of Taiwan, where you will check in for an evening at leisure.

Overnight: Inn by the Village or similar

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch

Day 5 Taitung - Brown Boulevard - Fangliao - Kaohsiung

This morning visit Brown Boulevard which is a beautiful stretch of pedestrian only road located between the rice paddies and in the shadow of the surrounding mountains on the outskirts of the lovely town of Chishang. The area is famous for its quintessential East Rift Valley scenery which made it the perfect backdrop to an iconic Taiwanese advert for Brown Coffee.



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Here you can choose to rent a regular bike or an e-bike or just walk on foot along the road to soak up the scenery and country air and capture some great photos. During autumn, the harvest season, the paddies will turn golden brown creating even more breathtaking scenery.

Afterwards transfer to Jinlun train station and upon arrival at the train station, board the iconic 'Breezy Blue' train. Breezy Blue is a 2021 refurbished train from the 1950s that glides along the southern coast of Taiwan, passing by many forgotten stations. The "romantic blue" train evokes nostalgic memories for the locals who commuted to work and school on the blue diesel-powered train in the past. Serious work and research were done to ensure that travellers can enjoy the most authentic train experience. Everything from the exterior colours of the train to the interior setup was refurbished to recreate the nostalgic train experience. One of the highlights of the train ride is the open windows as you can feel the breeze as the train chugs through the island along the beautiful south coast, taking in the beautiful ocean and mountain views the whole way.

The train terminates at Fangliao Station, where you will be met and transferred to the nearby city of Kaohsiung.

Kaohsiung is a massive port city in southern Taiwan. It's home to many skyscrapers, such as the 248m-tall Tuntex Sky Tower, and is known for its diversity of parks. Its focal point is the Love River, with walking paths and cafes along its banks and cruise boats navigating its waters. Shopping options range from high-end malls to the Liuhe and Ruifeng night markets.

Overnight: Holiday Inn Express Kaohsiung Love River, by IHG or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 6 Kaohsiung Half-Day Tour - Chiayi

This morning, head out on a half-day sightseeing tour of Kaohsiung, where you will visit the Lotus Pond, Dragon and Tiger Pagodas and Qi Ming Tang temple.

Afterwards, travel onward to the nearby city of Chiayi (approx 2 hour drive) where you will check into your hotel for an evening at leisure.

Overnight: Holiday Inn Express Chiayi, by IHG or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 7 Chiayi - Alishan - Chiayi

This morning, after breakfast, you will visit the Hinoki Village. Hinoki Village is a large-scale Japanese-style wooden historical building complex and one of the key attractions in Chiayi City. After years of restoration and planning, the 28 cypress houses carrying historical memories, some of which are used as cafes, toy museums, or various cultural and creative shops, have injected new life into the cladding of historic sites, allowing the old culture to be preserved and new stories continue to stack.

Afterwards, continue into the mountains to the famous Alishan National Scenic Area. Here you can explore the beautiful natural surroundings, including lush forests, ancient trees, and picturesque walking trails. On some days, the clouds are so dense and thick that the mountaintops appear like islands on the cloud



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ocean. Alishan is also famous for its high mountain Oolong tea, so on the way back to Chiayi, you will visit a local tea shop and enjoy a tea ceremony.

Finish the day back in Chiayi, where you will enjoy an evening at leisure.

Overnight: Holiday Inn Express Chiayi, by IHG or similar
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 8 Chiayi - Sun Moon Lake - Taipei

Today depart Chiayi and travel to Sun Moon Lake, which is the largest natural lake in Taiwan. Here you will find a vista of rolling hills and mountains with the beautiful calm lake in front of it.

Enjoy lunch (not included) before heading out on a cruise on this beautiful mountain lake. Afterwards, visit Ci'en Pagoda, which is 46 metres tall, bringing its top to an even 1,000 metres above sea level. It has an imposing traditional Chinese style and is divided into nine stories. Here you can climb to the top, where they have a magnificent view of the lake and the surrounding mountains.

Afterwards, continue onwards to Taipei and finish the day back at your hotel.

Overnight: The Place Taipei or similar
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 9 Taipei Free Day

Today is yours at leisure to explore the city of Taipei.

Overnight: The Place Taipei or similar
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 10 Taipei, Taiwan - Australia (or New Zealand)

Today, at the appropriate time, be transferred to the airport for your return flight home to Australia (or New Zealand).

Please note:

- Standard check-out time is 10:00.
- Some flights may depart in the evening, and luggage storage will be available at reception so travellers may explore Taipei at leisure before departure.

Tour Only Package: Your adventure concludes at the end of the tour. Please make your own arrangements for your onward journey.

Meals included: Breakfast; In-Flight

Day 11 Arrive in Australia (or New Zealand)

Please note: Some flights may arrive + 1 day due to flight schedules.

Tour Only Package: Day 11 of this itinerary is not included.



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Tour Inclusions

HIGHLIGHTS

See the very best of Taiwan on a round-island tour

Visit Taipei 101, the National Palace Museum, Chiang Kai-shek Memorial and more on a sightseeing tour of Taipei

Visit the beautiful green mountain villages of Shifen and Jiufen

Explore the most famous night market on the East Coast in Hualien City - Dongdamen Night Market

Marvel at the marble cliffs, verdant forests and meandering turquoise rivers of Taroko National Park

Travel through the East Rift Valley, home to picturesque rice paddies between the inland and coastal mountain ranges

Walk along Brown Boulevard, a beautiful stretch of pedestrian only road located between the rice paddies and in the shadow of the surrounding mountains

Ride along the beautifully restored 'Breezy Blue' train along the remote and beautiful east coast of Taiwan

Visit the Lotus Pond, Dragon and Tiger Temple and Qi Ming Tang Temple in Kaohsiung City

Visit Hinoki Village in Chiayi, a beautifully restored Japanese-style wooden building complex

Explore the beautiful lush forests, ancient trees, and picturesque walking trails of Alishan National Scenic Area

Enjoy a cruise on Sun Moon Lake, which is the largest natural lake in Taiwan

Shop for traditional Taiwanese pastries at a Pineapple Cakeshop

FLIGHTS

Return international full-service flights (economy class), surcharges may apply (Excludes Tour Only Package)

ACCOMMODATION

9 nights of centrally located 3 and 4-star hotel accommodation

RAIL

Ride the beautiful narrow-gauge Pingxi Railroad in the mountains outside Taipei

Ride along the beautifully restored 'Breezy Blue' train along the remote and east coast of Taiwan

DINING

10 meals including daily breakfast and a Taiwanese lunch

ESSENTIALS

English-speaking local tour leader

Airline taxes and surcharges

TRANSPORT

Transportation by air-conditioned vehicles (except Breezy Blue Train)

TRANSFERS

Return airport transfers (Excludes Tour Only Package)

Important Information

***Please note: All information provided in this brochure is subject to both change and availability. Prior to purchase please check the current deal for up-to-date information. If you have already purchased this deal, the terms and conditions on your Purchase Confirmation apply and take precedence over the information in this brochure.**

Booking Information

After purchase, you will receive a receipt and a Purchase Confirmation, directing you to an online Passenger Information Form. You must complete the Passenger Information Form within 72 hours of purchase. Any special requests, preferences and optional extras MUST be clearly stated in your Passenger Information Form. Any change requested after submitting your Passenger Information Form cannot be guaranteed, is strictly subject to availability and will incur surcharges as outlined in the Schedule of Fees below.

On purchasing this Travel Offer, you are bound by the [General Terms and Conditions](#) and the specific terms and conditions outlined in this Important Information.

Please note: All countries and territories have different entry requirements in relation to vaccinations, quarantine/isolation periods and travel restrictions. Due to the evolving nature, we would ask all of our customers to monitor, meet and adhere to the specific requirements of their intended destination(s) in the lead-up to and immediately before travel, as well as any requirements post-travel upon their return.

Our Policies

Cancellation & Refund Policy

By placing a booking with us, you acknowledge the following important information:

• **we act as your booking agent:** TripADeal is a booking services provider, and curates the Travel Offers available on our website. We act as your booking agent, and we receive payment for the Booking Services as part of the booking price, however, we do not provide any of the

Travel Services (flights, accommodation, tours or other products or services) included in your booking – the Travel Services are provided by a number of third party Travel Suppliers.

- **each booking is unique:** our Travel Offers are made up of a variety of different components and are, during the booking process, uniquely tailored to suit your requirements, for example, departure dates and ports, flight and room upgrades, tour inclusions, etc.
- **changes/modifications to your booking may not be possible:** once your booking has been made, changes or modifications may not be possible, and where possible, may incur a fee. It is important to ensure that the information you provide during the booking process is accurate and up to date, and that you read the Travel Offer carefully before placing your order.
- **Travel Offers are a package:** our Travel Offers have been curated into package offerings and must be used as a package – individual components cannot be used independently of the full package offering.

• **our Travel Offers are generally non-refundable:** in order to provide great value Travel Offers, we work with a variety of Travel Suppliers to find the best deals – this often means the Travel Suppliers' offerings are non-refundable to ensure the best price. We recommend that you obtain travel insurance as soon as you make a booking with us.

To read more about our Cancellation and Refund Policy, please click [here](#).

General Terms and Conditions

By placing your booking with us, you acknowledge and agree to our [Terms & Conditions](#), [Privacy Policy](#) and [Cancellation Policy](#).

Offer Essentials

This travel offer is valid for travel on selected dates until the 30th of December 2026.

This travel offer is priced per person based

on a twin share.

Single Traveller Supplement

For solo travellers, a mandatory single supplement of \$535 applies.

Please note: Accommodation for single customers who are travelling on a tour or cruise package may be in a single room, depending on availability.

Flights

Flight information for options excluding Tour Only Package

Departure Dates & Surcharges

See checkout for details.

International Full-Service Airline(s)

- Cabin Class: Economy Class.

Please note: We cannot accommodate one-way flights. Travellers must take all included flights within the package, and any flights intentionally forfeited will result in later flights being subject to cancellation.

Please note: From Sydney, the flying journey to your destination may take up to 16 hours, with up to 1 stop.

From Melbourne or Brisbane, the flying journey to your destination may take up to 18 hours, with up to 1 stop.

From Adelaide, Perth or Auckland the flying journey to your destination may take up to 20 hours, with up to 1 stop.

This is provided as a guide only - actual flight duration can vary depending on availability and airline schedules. Your booking's final details will be confirmed to you via email once available.

Departure Cities

Sydney, *Melbourne, *Brisbane, *Adelaide, *Perth or *Auckland.

Departure City Surcharges

- Melbourne, Perth, Brisbane: \$100 per person
- Adelaide \$200 per person.
- Auckland: \$300 per person.

Preferred Airline Surcharge

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- Cathay Pacific: \$200 per person.
- Singapore Airlines: \$400 per person.

Please note:

- **Preferred airlines are subject to availability.** If we are unable to fulfil your request, the above extra cost will be refunded.
- **Singapore Airlines not available ex Sydney or Adelaide.**
- **On any upgrade purchase, short-haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed, subject to aircraft configuration.**
- **In the event that a purchased stopover package and a purchased preferred airline upgrade are not compatible, you will have the option to receive a refund for the preferred airline upgrade or be offered an alternative stopover city option, e.g if you choose to fly with Singapore Airlines you cannot stopover in Dubai.**
- **Preferred airline refers to the marketing carrier and could include codeshare partners.**

Arrive Early & Stay Behind Options

Fly out and return home up to 60 days pre and post your tour dates.

Arrive Early

Taipei, Taiwan - From \$300 per person, subject to availability.

Stay Behind

Taipei, Taiwan - From \$300 per person, subject to availability.

Please note:

• Exclusions:

This fee does not include extra nights' accommodation, meals or airport transfers.

• Internal Flights:

If you select to Arrive Early or Stay Behind in a city other than the one where the tour starts or ends, the package will include an internal flight to your destination. If you wish to forfeit this flight, please advise our friendly team at the time of purchase.

Please note that the cost does not change when you choose to forfeit your connecting flight.

• Cancellations & Changes:

Flight booking changes or cancellations after air tickets have been issued are not guaranteed and may incur additional fees and fare difference, subject to the airline cancellation and change policies. Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.

• High-Season:

A high-season Arrive Early or Stay Behind can be purchased for an additional charge, subject to availability. For pricing, please refer to the cart.

• + 60 days:

You can fly out up to 60 days before your package's start date, and/or return home 60 days after your package's end date. Should you wish to fly out or return home for more than 60 days from the tour, please contact us to request availability. Additional costs may apply.

• Estimated dates:

Your estimated departure, return, and arrival dates are all subject to availability and may vary. The confirmed schedule for all flights will be provided when you receive your flight tickets.

• High season surcharges apply to flights departing between the below date ranges:

16 June 2025 - 20 July 2025
15 September 2025 - 12 October 2025
1 December 2025 - 31 January 2026
3 April 2026 - 20 April 2026
26 June 2026 - 17 July 2026
18 September 2026 - 9 October 2026
12 December 2026 - 26 January 2027

Stopover Packages

- Singapore
- Hong Kong

Includes:

- 2, 3 or 5 nights in 4-star accommodation.
- Daily breakfast.
- Return airport transfers.

For pricing, please refer to the payment cart at checkout.

Please note:

- **When a pre and post-tour stopover is chosen, the same stopover location must be chosen each way, due to the airline used.**

• When selecting to Arrive Early for your tour in conjunction with a Stopover Package, your fly out date from home will take place before the stopover.

• When selecting to Stay Behind after your tour in conjunction with a Stopover Package, your stopover will take place before your final flight home.

• Stopover packages are subject to availability.

• In the event that a purchased stopover package and a purchased guaranteed airline upgrade are not compatible, you will have the option to receive a refund for the guaranteed airline upgrade or be offered an alternative stopover city option, e.g if you choose to fly with Singapore Airlines you cannot stopover in Dubai.

• Blackout dates apply to flights departing between the below date ranges:

Singapore Grand Prix: September 2025

Christmas and New Year's Eve: 22

December 2025 - 2 January 2026

Singapore Grand Prix: 1 October - 9

October 2026

Christmas and New Years Eve: 18

December 2026 - 3 January 2027

Flight Class Upgrades

Business or Premium Economy Class: For pricing, please refer to the payment cart at checkout.

Please note:

- **Flight upgrades are subject to availability and pricing changes (if we cannot fulfil your request, the upgrade cost will be refunded).**
- **On any upgrade purchase, short-haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed.**

Missed Flights

If you fail to arrive for any of the flights included in your package, you risk all flight and land arrangements in your destination being automatically cancelled by the airlines and land operator, respectively. Additional fees may apply to reinstate these services. If you miss your flight for whatever reason, please contact us as soon as possible to make arrangements.

Important Information

Please note: If purchasing the Tour Only Package, internal airfares within your tour are still included.

Tour Only Package

- Your holiday may be shorter, as travel days for flights are not included in the Tour Only Package.
- The Tour Only Package does not include return international airfares or airport transfers.
- You will need to arrange your own transportation to the accommodation at the start of the tour.
- At the conclusion of the tour, you will be responsible for booking your own onward travel.
- We strongly advise against booking any pre or post-tour travel arrangements until TripADeal confirms that the tour has met the required number of travelers. If you choose to book before confirmation, we recommend opting for refundable reservations or having backup plans in case the tour does not proceed.

[Click here for full Tour Only Terms and Conditions](#)

Accommodation

Accommodation Used

3-4-Star Properties (Self-Rated)

- Taipei: The Place Taipei or similar.
- Hualien Holiday Hotel or similar.
- Taitung: Inn by the Village or similar.
- Kaohsiung: Holiday Inn Express Kaohsiung Love River, by IHG or similar.
- Chiayi: Holiday Inn Express Chiayi, by IHG or similar.

Please note: Accommodation/rooms offered are based on a lead-in room type and are subject to availability based on seasonality. In the instance a property is not available, a similar standard of accommodation will be provided. Properties will be confirmed and included in your travel pack, which you will receive 4-6 weeks before travel.

Extra Nights

Not available at check-out.

Please note: If you are interested in booking additional nights of accommodation pre or post-tour, please wait until you receive your travel documentation approximately 4-6 weeks before departure for the confirmed list of hotels. If booking your own additional accommodation directly with the hotel, please be aware that you may be required to change rooms at the start/end of your tour.

Maximum Room Capacity

2 people.

Child Policy

- No child discounts. The full price applies to all children travelling with their parents.
- Valid for children 8 years old and over.

Please note: Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors are allowed.

Triple Share

Not available.

Bedding Configuration

Twin or double bedding (subject to availability).

General Information

Minimum group size 15, maximum group size 32 per vehicle.

Exclusions

- Visa fees and requirements
- Domestic transfers and flights not stated in the deal offer
- Meals/beverages not stated in the deal offer
- Optional gratuities/tipping
- Optional activities/tours
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance

Please note: Return international flights and transfers to and from the tour are not included in the Tour Only Package.

Other Important Information

TOUR GUIDE VS. TOUR LEADER

Tour Guide

Often locals with intimate knowledge of an area, its culture, and history. Their role entails providing commentary, routing the tour, and seeing that people have a good time. They are a licensed, qualified expert who supplies specific information on the history, art, architecture and culture of the city/village/attraction where they are guiding the tour. The guide meets the group at the required place and leaves it at the end of the tour; they do not travel with the group.

Tour Leader

An experienced person tasked with ensuring the smooth operation of tours, as well as providing practical support to passengers throughout the whole trip. Their role primarily includes assisting with accommodation, transportation between locations, and communication with tour guides at each stop. A tour leader may provide general guidance around a city or village and offer information on the place visited on the bus. However, they are not required to have specific art, architecture, or historical knowledge. They are not allowed to provide a guided tour or commentary of a city/village/attraction once there and, if caught doing so, can be fined.

Please note: Tour leaders/guides are not a standard inclusion in all travel offers. Tour leaders/guides will only be made available when required to enhance the experience of the destination featured.

CLIMATE & AVERAGE TEMPERATURES

Taipei, the capital city of Taiwan, experiences a humid subtropical climate with distinct seasons throughout the year.

Spring (March to May)

Temperature: Average highs range from 20°C to 25°C (68°F to 77°F), while lows range from 15°C to 18°C (59°F to 64°F). Spring in Taipei is characterized by relatively mild and pleasant weather. It's a popular time for tourists due to the comfortable temperatures and blooming flowers.

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Summer (June to August)

Temperature: Average highs range from 30°C to 34°C (86°F to 93°F), while lows hover around 25°C (77°F). Summer in Taipei is hot and humid, with occasional heavy rainfall due to the monsoon season. Typhoons can also affect the region during this time, bringing heavy rain and strong winds.

Autumn (September to November)

Temperature: Average highs range from 26°C to 30°C (79°F to 86°F), while lows range from 21°C to 24°C (70°F to 75°F). Autumn is considered one of the best times to visit Taipei. The weather becomes cooler and more comfortable, and the city is often blessed with clear skies.

Winter (December to February)

Temperature: Average highs range from 18°C to 20°C (64°F to 68°F), while lows range from 12°C to 14°C (54°F to 57°F). Winter in Taipei is relatively mild compared to many other places, but it can feel chilly due to the high humidity. It's the rainy season, but there can also be periods of sunshine.

FLIGHTS

Seat Selection & Frequent Flyer Points

We do not arrange seat selection. It is essential to highlight that some airlines do not allow pre-selected seats. We strongly suggest you contact the airline directly with seating allocation requirements and/or arrive at the airport earlier to arrange your seating. While we do not add frequent flyer member details to bookings, you can do this directly with the airline once you have your flight information.

Passport Validity

Customers must provide valid passport details either at the time of purchase or no later than 45 days before the departure date. Failure to do so may result in the cancellation of the booking. Customers will be responsible for any costs and fees incurred in this instance.

COACH TOUR

Meals

For meals not included, the tour leader (when available) will offer assistance with reservations, suggestions and directions to local restaurants. It is your responsibility to notify us of any dietary requests/requirements.

Please note: We will do our best to meet your requests/requirements; however, we cannot guarantee that we will always be able to.

Luggage

You will be responsible for all your personal belongings whilst on tour. You must carry your own luggage from the vehicle to the hotel room and back to the vehicle. The driver will assist with the uploading and unloading of bags from the vehicle.

OTHER

Mobility

If you require wheelchair access please contact our friendly sales and service team to inquire on your behalf.

Fitness Level Required

A leisurely level of fitness will be required. Leisurely is described as Light walking, including up multiple stairs, and occasional hiking, may involve uneven surfaces. Able to travel unassisted and get on and off vehicles and small boats. Suitable for most fitness levels and mobility.

Please note: If you have any concerns, please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.

Gratuities/Tipping

Land

Gratuities (tips) are not included for the services of the tour leader (when available) and driver throughout the tour. The recommended tip is \$150 NT (approx \$7 AUD) per person per day. This covers the guide/leader and the driver and will be collected on tour.

Please note: Tipping for services provided is always a matter of personal discretion; however, please be aware that many locals

consider tipping part of their normal remuneration, and they may approach you for payment; there's no need to be intimidated by the request.

Sightseeing

Please note: If entry to a site is affected by changes in operating hours or public holiday closures, your itinerary, where possible, may be adjusted, or a similar activity will be offered in its place (subject to availability).

Shopping

Shopping overseas can be a daunting and confusing experience, especially when there is a language barrier. Please be very cautious when foreign currencies and prices are involved. If paying by credit card, please pay close attention to the amount you are being charged and keep all your receipts. Do not make any purchases you are not comfortable with or feel pressured into. If you are uncertain or need assistance with the language barrier, please seek assistance from your Tour Guide/Leader. Please refer to our [Terms and Conditions](#) regarding shopping for further information.

Visas

Taiwan has restored the visa-exempt entry scheme for nationals of designated countries, including Australia. Please see Taiwan's Bureau of Consular Affairs website for the visa-exempt entry requirements and restrictions.

You won't need a visa for Taiwan if you meet all these conditions:

- You'll only stay for up to 90 days
- You're visiting for tourism or business
- You have a confirmed return or onward air ticket
- Your passport is valid for at least 6 months from the date of your entry
- You're not travelling on an emergency passport

Important:

- Please start arranging your visa three weeks before departure to account for any delays due to consulate operating hours.

Important Information

- Visa rules may have changed since Covid-19. Some countries and airlines may require you to obtain an additional visa before arrival. Please check with the nearest embassy, consulate or immigration department of the destination you're entering.

Please note:

- *Passengers who are not Australian citizens must also check with the respective consulate or visa agency to determine what their visa requirements are and what personal identification is required.*
- *It is also important to note that some areas of employment, such as journalism, government authorities and charity organisations, may have additional restrictions in applying for visas. This may, in turn, affect the type of application required.*

Travel Insurance

Embarking on your next trip is exciting, and while you hope the unexpected does not happen, it is best to be prepared. We strongly recommend you take out travel insurance when making your booking. Whether it's a potential medical emergency, a flight cancellation, a delayed suitcase, or an unforeseen event, it's important to ensure you're adequately protected. For more information or advice visit <https://www.tripadeal.com.au/travel-insurance>

travel providers.

Supplier Fees

In the event the tour package you have purchased is unable to proceed, and/or a travel Supplier is unable to fulfil the tour due to external circumstances (Limitation of Liability e.g. a Force Majeure event), there may be a fee or amount of money that is withheld by our Suppliers and is unrecoverable. This may be due to non-refundable airline tickets, cancellation penalties with cruise cabins or unrecoverable payments with our land/accommodation partners. If refunds are not available from Suppliers, we will endeavour to obtain a travel credit on the best terms available and communicate these outcomes to you. In the event we are unable to obtain a refund or travel service credit, or part thereof, this cost is passed on to the customer as a Supplier Fee.

Schedule Of Fees

Voluntary Changes

This includes booking changes requested by you, including but not limited to those changes requiring an airline ticket or a Purchase Confirmation reissue.

- Changes - \$100 AUD per booking and any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/other travel providers.

Name Changes Due To Passenger Error

If the incorrect name has been provided, charges of \$100 AUD per booking and any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/other