



# 5 Star China Heartland & Tibet

XIAN ● CHONGQING ● CHENGDU ● LHASA

## The Offer

Experience the ultimate journey through China's imperial heart and the spiritual heights of Tibet on this breathtaking 13-day luxury small group adventure, spanning from the ancient terracotta treasures of Xi'an to the sacred, turquoise waters of Yamdrok Lake.

Begin in Xi'an, where the legendary Terracotta Warriors stand guard over centuries of history, before boarding a high-speed train to the "Mountain City" of Chongqing. Witness the modern marvel of a monorail passing through residential buildings and explore the glowing, stilted architecture of Hongya Cave.

The journey continues into the lush Sichuan province to marvel at the 71-metre-tall Leshan Giant Buddha and the misty, sacred peaks of Emeishan. No visit to Chengdu would be complete without a heartwarming morning at the Giant Panda Breeding Research Base, where you can watch these national treasures play in their natural habitat.

The final leg of the journey takes you to the "Roof of the World", Lhasa, which is the capital of Tibet. Here, the golden roofs of the Potala Palace and the devout atmosphere of Jokhang Temple offer a spiritual experience like no other.

From the tea-scented Kuanzhai Alleys of Chengdu to the shimmering Himalayan vistas of Tibet's sacred Yamdrok Lake, this journey offers a stunning tour through the very best of the East.

This stunning adventure includes return international full-service flights, a one-way flight from Chengdu to Lhasa, 11 nights of 5-star hotel accommodation, daily breakfast and more.

**Want more? Choose from a range of optional experiences and tours.**

*Please note: • This travel offer is strictly valid for those 18 and over. • As a condition of purchasing this travel offer, you must not deviate from the advertised itinerary, and the local supplier reserves the right to cancel your onward travel services if you do. This does not apply to days where there is specified time at leisure. • Australian and New Zealand citizens qualify for Visa-free travel to China for stays up to 30 days. The visa exemption is set to expire on the 31st December 2026. Eligibility criteria will apply. Please consult Smart Traveller and your nearest Chinese consulate for up-to-date eligibility criteria and information.*



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### The Itinerary

#### Day 1 Australia (or New Zealand) – Xi'an

Today, depart Australia (or New Zealand) for Xi'an, China and upon arrival, a tour representative will meet you at the airport and transfer you to the hotel.

Located in central-northwest China, Xi'an records the great changes of the country just like a living history book. Called Chang'an (the eternal city) in ancient times, it is one of the birthplaces of the ancient Chinese civilisation in the Yellow River Basin area. As the eastern terminal of the Silk Road and the site of the famous Terracotta Warriors of the Qin Dynasty, the city has a worldwide reputation. More than 3,000 years of history, including over 1,100 years as the capital city of ancient dynasties, have endowed the city with an amazing historical heritage.

#### *Please note:*

- Some travellers may depart on Day 0.
- Some travellers may have an overnight layover in China with accommodation and transfers provided by the airline.
- Some travellers may have an overnight layover in an Australian city with airport accommodation provided (excluding transfers).
- Some travellers may arrive early in the morning of Day 2.

Overnight: Sheraton Xi'an Hotel or similar, Xi'an

Meals included: In-Flight

#### Day 2 Terracotta Warriors & Horses

Enjoy a sleep-in this morning, then get ready to discover one of China's UNESCO Heritage Listed icons.

The highlight today is a visit to the Terracotta Warriors and Horses Museum. Unearthed near Xi'an, the thousands of life-size sculptures of soldiers, chariots and horses are considered a world

wonder. With different facial expressions and weaponry adorning each soldier, the Terracotta Warriors were believed to have been created to accompany the Qin Emperor into the afterlife. This site is among the top archaeological excavations of the 20th century, and you're sure to be amazed by the scale of the Terracotta Warriors Army.

Afterwards, you'll visit the Terracotta Warriors Reproduction Factory.

Finish the day back at your hotel, where you can enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure, or alternatively take part in an optional activity.

#### Optional Tour: Xi'an At Night with Grand Tang Dynasty Ever-Bright City & Dinner

Tonight, enjoy an early dinner of local cuisine at a restaurant. You'll then head to Grand Tang Dynasty Ever-Bright City, the only large-scale Tang-style architectural complex pedestrian street in China. As the top destination for showcasing and experiencing Tang culture in Xi'an, it has attracted a large number of tourists with its unique Tang culture and technological exhibitions. Ever-Bright City is brightly lit at night with antique-style buildings shining brilliantly between the turns of light and shadow, recreating the magnificent Tang Dynasty. On the way back to the hotel, the view of the Ancient City Wall is another highlight of the nightlife in Xi'an.

Overnight: Sheraton Xi'an Hotel or similar, Xi'an

Meals included: Breakfast



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#### Day 3 Xi'an – Chongqing (High Speed Train Experience)

Today, after breakfast, you'll transfer to Xi'an Railway Station for your high-speed train ride to Chongqing on an approximately 5.5-hour journey. Upon arrival, a tour representative will meet and escort you to check into the hotel.

Chongqing, often nicknamed the "Mountain City" due to its hilly terrain, is a spectacular blend of hyper-modern innovation and ancient history. The city is famous for its mind-blowing urban landscape and complex, multi-layered topography. It's a place where you can exit a building on the ground floor and find yourself on the 22nd floor of a different street.

**Overnight: Hilton Chongqing or similar, Chongqing**

**Meals included: Breakfast**

#### Day 4 Chongqing Sightseeing

After breakfast, you will enjoy a walk outside the Great Hall of the People, an iconic landmark that ranks in the top 10 of classical Asian architecture of the 20th century and the Classic Chinese Centennial Building of the 20th century. Then head to Liziba Subway Station and experience the Chongqing monorail passing directly through a residential building, an architectural marvel trending on social media. Last, enjoy some free time in Hongya Cave, a multi-level shopping and dining complex known for its traditional stilted architecture. In the afternoon, you can enjoy free time at leisure or join in any of the below optional activities.

Optional Activity - Ciqikou Ancient Town Tour (Afternoon)

Your optional afternoon tour will start in Ciqikou Ancient Town, an old town preserved amid the sprawling modern city of Chongqing. It's an old sleepy town built in the Ming and Qing Dynasties. The town's name, Ciqikou, means porcelain harbour, and the community prospered from the porcelain trade. It offers a glimpse of the peaceful laid-back life in Chongqing countryside. Then proceed to Jiefangbei Square. After the founding of the People's Republic of China, the government built a 27.5 metres six-sided cylindrical at the intersection of the national road, the livelihood road, the civil liberties road and the minister road in downtown Chongqing.

It was called "people's liberation monument" and originally surrounded by low buildings. Now Jiefangbei is Chongqing's CBD with all the big shops and department stores; here you can see the most prosperous side of Chongqing. Last stop at Kuixing Pavilion, a place where scholars in ancient times prayed and made wishes. With a history of over 200 years, it has now become a popular city landmark among locals and tourists alike. Please see current pricing in Important Information. Not included, paid on tour.

#### Optional Activity - Yangtze Two-Rivers Night Cruise (Evening)

Chongqing Two Rivers Night Cruise is one of the name cards of Chongqing. It offers a chance to behold Chongqing's renowned night view, where the city's mountainous skyline, encircled by the Yangtze and Jialing rivers, comes alive with a mesmerising display of lights. As the cruise glides smoothly, passengers can leisurely take in the sights while passing by major highlights of Chongqing downtown, fully immersing in the city's nocturnal charm. Last



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proceed to a secret spot where you will have a full night view of this amazing city. Please see current pricing in Important Information. Not included, paid on tour.

#### Optional Activity - Chongqing Hot Pot Dinner (Evening)

Enjoy a traditional Chongqing hot pot dinner. Please see current pricing in Important Information. Not included, paid on tour.

**Overnight: Hilton Chongqing or similar, Chongqing**

Meals included: Breakfast

#### **Day 5 Chongqing - Free Day**

Enjoy a free day to explore this amazing city or join a full-day optional tour to visit Wulong Karst National Park.

#### Optional Activity - Wulong Karst National Park

On this day tour from Chongqing, explore the remarkable Wulong Karst National Geology Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 2007, which is located approximately 2.5 - 3 hours from Chongqing. Take your time touring the park's highlights, including the stalactite-filled Furong Cave, the grand Three Natural Bridges cluster and the Houping Giant Doline, a massive sinkhole that's home to its own lush forests.

**Overnight: Hilton Chongqing or similar, Chongqing**

Meals included: Breakfast

#### **Day 6 Chongqing – Leshan Giant Buddha**

This morning, travel onwards to Leshan, where you will take a cruise to view the famous Leshan Giant Buddha, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The Leshan Giant Buddha is a 71-metre-tall stone statue, built between 713 and 803, depicting Maitreya. It is carved out of a cliff face of Cretaceous red-bed sandstone that lies at the confluence of the Min River and the Dadu River, in the southern part of Sichuan Province. Finish the day at your accommodation in Leshan and enjoy an evening at leisure.

Today's driving distance is approximately 320 kilometres.

**Overnight: Wyndham Leshan Downtown or similar, Leshan**

Meals included: Breakfast

#### **Day 7 Emeishan – Chengdu**

This morning drive onwards to Emeishan City, located in the shadow of Mount Emei (Emeishan), the highest of the country's four sacred Buddhist mountains at 3099 metres. Here you may enjoy some of the most beautiful scenery in China as you walk through the Emeishan area and visit Bao Guo Temple, the largest temple at Emei Mountain. It is the doorway to the mountain and the centre of Buddhist activity on Emei Mountain. Afterwards, proceed to Chengdu, the capital of Sichuan province.

Today's driving distance is approximately 220 kilometres.

**Overnight: InterContinental Chengdu Global Center by IHG or similar, Chengdu**

Meals included: Breakfast



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#### Day 8 Chengdu Sightseeing

After breakfast, visit the famous Giant Panda Breeding and Research Base of Chengdu. Giant Pandas, one of the rarest animals in the world and known as a "living fossil", are not only extolled as China's "National Treasure" but also beloved by people around the world. Chengdu Panda Base, also called the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding, is the world's only museum dedicated entirely to the critically endangered giant pandas. It is a site that Panda fans cannot miss.

Then visit Kuanzhai Alley, one of Chengdu's three historic conservation districts. Constructed in 1718 during the early years of the Qing Dynasty, this charming pedestrian thoroughfare is home to an eclectic mix of classic Sichuan architecture, modern cafes and smart boutiques. As you explore, listen to commentary from your guide about the district's history and design, and witness how some of the city's old establishments, local restaurants, traditional teahouses, Chinese calligraphy demonstrations, sit alongside the new.

**Overnight:** InterContinental Chengdu Global Center by IHG or similar, Chengdu

**Meals included:** Breakfast

#### Day 9 Chengdu - Lhasa

Today, head to Chengdu airport and fly to Lhasa, the heart and soul of Tibet.

The remainder of the day is free to relax and acclimatise to the high elevation of this area.

Please note

- Parts of this journey into Tibet reach heights above 3,500 metres. Altitude sickness can occur at high elevations when the body receives less oxygen. It can affect anyone, regardless of age or fitness, with symptoms such as headache, nausea, dizziness, fatigue and shortness of breath. If required, your local guide can arrange oxygen (at an additional cost) to help you settle into the high altitude environment
- A special permit is required for overseas tourists to visit Tibet. It is called the Tibet Travel Permit (TTP), also often referred to as the Tibet Entry Permit or a "Tibet Visa" (though it is not a visa). This permit is included in your booking and you will be required to provide a photo passport copy to TripADeal no later than 90 days to your travel date so we may arrange this permit on your behalf. As a condition of this permit, you are not to deviate from the group itinerary at all whilst visiting Tibet

**Overnight:** InterContinental Lhasa Paradise by IHG or similar, Lhasa

**Meals included:** Breakfast

#### Day 10 Lhasa Sightseeing

Lhasa is a contemporary, fast-growing city, but among the narrow old streets at its heart, you'll feel a million miles from the modern world.

This morning, you will first explore Potala Palace. This is the most iconic landmark of Tibet and the former winter residence of the Dalai Lamas (1649-1959). After climbing 365 stone steps from the palace gate to the Red Palace, you'll reach the highest ancient palace in the world, standing proudly at 3,700 meters above sea level, and enjoy a stunning panoramic view of Lhasa city. The Potala Palace stairs are a significant, challenging climb (hundreds



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of steps over 13 stories) for visitors, located at a high altitude of 3,700 metres, requiring acclimatisation and rest, but offering incredible views and access to sacred chapels and tombs. If you are unable to do the stairs, you are welcome to opt out of this excursion and wait at the bottom of the stairs whilst the group completes this excursion

As you wander through the halls, chapels, and sacred shrines that honour past Dalai Lamas, you'll be captivated by the intricate murals, exquisite carvings, dazzling jewelled decorations, and the deep spiritual atmosphere that fills the air. Inside the Potala Palace, countless Tibetan pilgrims can be seen bowing and praying devoutly for many; visiting this sacred site is the journey of a lifetime.

Wander around the Barkhor Circuit to see traditionally dressed locals, stalls of religious trinkets and prostrating pilgrims. Inside the Jokhang Temple, the devotion is palpable as queues of people worship in the flickering light of yak butter candles.

#### Optional Activity – Princess Wencheng The Musical, Nepali Dinner & Lhasa Night Tour

Epic Tibetan Drama Unfolds: Never Miss the Princess Wencheng Real-Scene Musical in Lhasa. Of all the major historical events in Tibet, the legendary intermarriage between Wencheng, the princess of the Han Empire, and Songtsen Gampo, the Tibetan king of the Tubo Empire, is indeed the most romantic story to delve into. You will be sitting in a huge open-air theatre, expertly designed beside a lofty mountain and enjoying a dazzling array of traditional Tibetan dancing and singing, performed by professional Tibetan actors, actresses and dancers. Dressed in both traditional Tibetan and Han costumes, up to 700 performers

will vividly display the legendary journey taken by Princess Wencheng from Chang'an to meet and marry Songtsen Gampo and the subsequent incredible bond forged between the Tubo Empire and the Tang Dynasty, in 5 chapters.

On this optional activity, also enjoy a Nepali dinner, which is a popular cuisine in Tibet due to the historical trade routes with Nepal, along with a Lhasa night tour. The night tour will focus on Lhasa's illuminated landmarks, such as Potala Palace and the Jokhang Temple to give you a different perspective on these amazing landmarks

**Overnight: InterContinental Lhasa Paradise by IHG or similar, Lhasa**

**Meals included: Breakfast**

#### **Day 11 Lhasa – Yamdrok Lake – Lhasa**

This morning, it is time to explore the holy lake and the beautiful landscape outside Lhasa city. With 2 hours of driving (110 kilometres approximately), get your camera ready as you approach Kampala Pass at 4,797 metres. Here, you'll be rewarded with a breathtaking panoramic view of Yamdrok Lake, a turquoise ribbon shimmering among snow-capped mountains. Known as one of Tibet's four sacred lakes (along with Lhamo Latso, Manasarovar, and Namtso), Yamdrok is believed to hold spiritual power, helping Tibetans locate the reincarnated soul of the Dalai Lama. You'll also see locals offering photo opportunities with Tibetan mastiffs, yaks, or goats dressed in traditional ornaments. Finish the day back in Lhasa.

Today's driving distance is approximately 220 kilometres.



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Overnight: InterContinental Lhasa Paradise by IHG or similar,  
Lhasa

Meals included: Breakfast

#### Day 12 Lhasa – Australia (or New Zealand)

Today, you will be transferred to Lhasa Airport for your flight back to Australia (or New Zealand).

*Please note:*

- Standard check-out time is 12:00 and luggage storage is available at the front desk for those with later flights.
- Some travellers may be required to depart a day later, and additional accommodation and transfers will be provided free of charge. This will not apply to passengers departing before 02:00 the following day, as they will be transferred to the airport the day prior.

Meals included: Breakfast

#### Day 13 Arrive in Australia (or New Zealand)

Meals included: None



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### Tour Inclusions

#### HIGHLIGHTS

Enjoy small group touring with a max of 20 travellers per group

Marvel at the ancient Terracotta Warriors and Horses in Xi'an

Enjoy a high-speed rail experience from Xi'an to Chongqing

See the famous Liziba Subway Station and experience the Chongqing monorail passing directly through a residential building

Explore Hongya Cave, multi-level shopping and dining known for its traditional stilted architecture.

Cruise to the Leshan Giant Buddha, a 71 metre Buddha statue built between 713 and 803

Visit Bao Guo Temple, the largest temple on Mount Emei, the highest of the country's 4 sacred Buddhist mountains

Visit the famous Giant Panda Breeding and Research Base of Chengdu

Visit Kuanzhai Alley, one of Chengdu's three historic conservation districts

Travel to Tibet and admire the unique spectacular landscapes and unique Tibetan Buddhist culture

Explore Potala Palace - the most iconic landmark of Tibet and the former winter residence of the Dalai Lamas

Wander around the Barkhor Circuit in Lhasa and admire the traditional architecture and prostrating pilgrims

#### FLIGHTS

Return international full-service flights (economy class), surcharges may apply

One-way flight (economy class) from Chengdu, China to Lhasa, China

#### ACCOMMODATION

11 nights of 5-star hotel accommodation

#### DINING

Enjoy daily breakfast

#### ESSENTIALS

English-speaking tour guides

Airline taxes and surcharges

Tibet Travel Permit

#### TRANSPORT

Transportation by air-conditioned private vehicles

High-speed train experience

#### TRANSFERS

Return airport transfers

# 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 & 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 2nd November 2026.

Minimum group size 10, maximum group size 20 per vehicle.

This Travel Offer is priced per person based on a twin share.

This Travel Offer is strictly valid for those 18 and over.

### Departure Dates & Surcharges

See checkout for live dates and availability.

### Single Traveller Supplement

For solo travellers, a mandatory single supplement of \$2,230 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

### Departure Cities

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

### Departure City Surcharges

- Brisbane & Adelaide: \$450 per person.
- Perth & Auckland: \$600 per person.

### International Flight(s)

### Full-service airline(s) used

- 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.**

**From Sydney or Melbourne, the journey to Xi'an may take up to 25 hours, with up to 1 stop. In some cases you may have an extended layover in Guangzhou or Shanghai and either a complimentary city tour or hotel accommodation will be provided depending on length of the layover and time of day.**

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- From Brisbane, Adelaide or Auckland, the journey to Xi'an may take up to 30 hours, with up to 2 stops. In some cases you may have an extended layover in Guangzhou or Shanghai and either a complimentary city tour or hotel accommodation will be provided depending on length of the layover and time of day.
- From Lhasa, the journey to Sydney or Melbourne may take up to 25 hours, with up to 2 stops. In some cases you may have an extended layover in Chengdu, Guangzhou, Shanghai or Beijing and either a complimentary city tour or hotel accommodation will be provided depending on length of the layover and time of day.
- From Lhasa, the journey to Brisbane, Adelaide or Auckland may take up to 30 hours, with up to 3 stops. In some cases you may have an extended layover in Chengdu, Guangzhou, Shanghai or Beijing and either a complimentary city tour or hotel accommodation will be provided depending on length of the layover and time of day.
- If complimentary layover accommodation is provided the total journey times stated above will increase

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.

## Domestic Flight(s) Used

- Cabin Class: Economy Class
- Route: Chengdu, China - Lhasa, China

## Domestic Flight Information

Baggage allowance per  
1 x 20kg of checked baggage (one piece)  
1 x 7kg of carry on baggage

## Group Flights

**Please note:** Any flights used on this deal may be booked as part of a group ticket. Group tickets do not allow for any customisations including upgrades, seat selection or paid seating options. Any customisations would need to be requested at the airport upon check-in.

### Preferred Airline Surcharge

Not available.

### Arrive Early and Stay Behind Options

Not available.

### Flight Class Upgrades

Business 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.

### Outbound Flights

**Please note:** Due to flight scheduling and availability, some departures may occur on Day 0. Affected customers must be available to depart the day before. Flight times will be indicated on your final documents, issued 4-6 weeks before departure.

### Missed Flights

If you fail to arrive for your outbound flight, 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.

### Accommodation

#### Accommodation Used:

5-Star Properties (Self-Rated)  
Xi'an: Sheraton Xi'an Hotel or similar  
Chongqing: Hilton Chongqing or similar  
Leshan: Wyndham Leshan Downtown or similar  
Chengdu: InterContinental Chengdu Global Center by IHG or similar  
Lhasa: InterContinental Lhasa Paradise 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.

**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.

### Triple Share

Not available.

### Bedding Configuration

Twin or double (subject to availability).

### Optional Tours/activities

- Xi'an At Night with Grand Tang Dynasty Ever-Bright City & Dinner - 220 RMB per person
- Ciqikou Ancient Town Tour - 280 RMB per person
- Yangtze Two-Rivers Night Cruise - 280 RMB per person
- Chongqing Hot Pot Dinner - 220 RMB per person
- Wulong Karst National Park - 650 RMB per person
- Princess Wencheng The Musical, Nepali Dinner & Lhasa Night Tour - 900 RMB per person

**Please note:**

- Prices are based per person, are subject to availability, time permitting and weather conditions, and are payable directly to the tour operator in the currency specified.
- Some tours or shore excursions require minimum numbers to operate.

### Exclusions

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- Visa fees and requirements
- Domestic transfers and flights not stated in the deal offer
- Meals/beverages not stated in the deal offer
- Expected gratuities/tipping of \$12 AUD per person, per day
- Optional activities/tours
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance
- Any costs associated with an interruption to your tour as a result of an airline schedule change or cancellation

## Gratuities / Tipping

### Land

Tipping is a firm and customary element of the tourism industry and is therefore expected in China. The expected tipping amount is \$12 AUD or 60 RMB per person per day. While tipping is not mandatory, it is a common practice in China and a gesture of appreciation which is shared amongst the local guides, drivers and other staff members who have serviced your tour. The tipping amount can be paid in AUD or RMB to your expert tour guide in each region. As most tour guides in China consider tipping a part of their income, please don't feel intimidated should the tour guides approach you as they bid you farewell.

## 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

#### Spring (March - May)

#### **Xi'An**

Spring in Xi'An is a mild and pleasant season, often considered one of the best times to visit. The weather warms up from average lows of about 2 degrees Celsius in March to highs of 27 degrees Celsius by May. While generally pleasant, there is a large temperature difference between day and night, especially in the early part of the season. Rainfall is moderate and gradually increases as the season progresses.

#### **Chengdu**

Spring in Chengdu is pleasantly warm and is a very comfortable time for outdoor activities. Temperatures typically range from average lows of 7 degrees Celsius to average highs of 27 degrees Celsius across the three months. The air is generally mild and sometimes humid, with increasing rainfall from March to May, though it is not yet the intense rainy season.

#### **Lhasa**

Spring in Lhasa is a time of warming temperatures and increasing sunshine hours, though nights remain very cold due

to the high altitude. Daytime temperatures rise from an average high of 11 degrees Celsius in March to around 22 degrees Celsius in May, but average nighttime temperatures still drop to below freezing in early spring, ranging from about minus 4 degrees Celsius to 6 degrees Celsius. The weather is generally very dry and clear, with strong sunlight.

#### Summer (June - August)

#### **Xi'An**

Summer in Xi'An is hot and humid. Temperatures frequently reach average highs of 32 degrees Celsius to 33 degrees Celsius, with extreme highs sometimes exceeding 35 degrees Celsius or more. This is the peak rainy season, with the majority of the annual precipitation falling between July and September. The frequent showers contribute to the high humidity, making midday hours feel quite intense.

#### **Chengdu**

Chengdu's summer is hot, humid, and marks the city's rainy season. Average high temperatures range from 28 degrees Celsius to 31 degrees Celsius, though it can feel much hotter due to the humidity. This period sees the bulk of the annual rainfall, with frequent, heavy rain showers and thunderstorms, especially in July and August. Low cloud cover is common, but sunshine hours are at their highest for the year.

#### **Lhasa**

Lhasa's summer is mild and is considered the best time to visit, despite being the wettest season. Average daytime temperatures are pleasantly warm, ranging from 19 degrees Celsius to 24 degrees Celsius, with highs sometimes reaching 29 degrees Celsius. The high altitude means nights remain quite cool, with lows around 9 degrees Celsius to 11 degrees Celsius. Most rainfall occurs at night, with frequent showers, but days often remain sunny.

#### Autumn (September - November)

#### **Xi'An**

Autumn is widely considered the most

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ideal season for visiting Xi'An, as the weather is comfortably cool and pleasant. Average daytime temperatures range from a high of about 26 degrees Celsius in September, rapidly cooling to around 14 degrees Celsius by November. Early autumn still experiences some of the heavier rainfall from the summer season, but precipitation quickly decreases, leading to clearer skies and moderate conditions.

## Chengdu

Autumn in Chengdu is characterized by a comfortable and gradual cooling, offering a break from the summer heat.

Temperatures typically range from average highs of 26 degrees Celsius to 17 degrees Celsius. Rainfall decreases significantly compared to summer, but the weather can be unpredictable, with sudden changes. It is generally a crisp and pleasant season, perfect for sightseeing.

## Lhasa

Autumn in Lhasa is short, dry, and characterized by a quick drop in temperature, particularly at night. Average high temperatures range from about 19 degrees Celsius in September down to 11 degrees Celsius by November. The sky is often clear, with comfortable daytime temperatures, but the lack of humidity makes the air feel very dry. Nights become much colder, with lows dropping to around minus 4 degrees Celsius in November.

## Weather

We always suggest referring to an online source for the most up-to-date weather information for your destination/s.

## 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.

### Dietary Requests

Meal options and availability differ between airlines and routes therefore not all dietary requests can be accommodated. If your flight includes meals we will select the most suitable option available based on the dietary requirements you have specified. All meal requests are subject to airline approval and are not guaranteed, therefore we recommend preparing for your flight by bringing appropriate food for yourself, as required.

### Passport Validity:

Customers must provide valid passport details either at the time of purchase or no later than 90 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:

Adventure (and spontaneity) create some of the best travel memories. Bear in mind, your home schedules and timings might not be adhered to on tour - it's all part of the fun!

A moderate level of fitness will be required.

Expect a moderate pace of touring with a focus on guided tours that may include full days with extended activity, guided city tours or nature walks. You will require a moderate level of fitness for unassisted navigation of stairs and inclines, longer distances with possible periods of standing when visiting sites, walking on sloping, uneven ground or elevations. The Potala Palace stairs are a significant, challenging climb (hundreds of steps over 13 stories) for visitors, located at high altitude (3,700m+), requiring acclimatization and rest, but offering incredible views and access to sacred chapels and tombs. You will be responsible for your own luggage and have the ability to board all modes of transport without assistance. Please note: Many areas may be inaccessible to wheelchairs or mobility scooters, where the unassisted use of personal walking sticks and other aids may be required. Although some assistance may be available, every traveller should be self-reliant during all aspects of their travel.

### High Altitude Sickness

Please note that parts of this journey into Tibet reach heights above 3,500 metres. Altitude sickness can occur at high elevations when the body receives less oxygen. It can affect anyone, regardless of age or fitness, with symptoms such as headache, nausea, dizziness, fatigue and shortness of breath.

### Tips to help prevent altitude sickness:

- Stay well hydrated and eat light, high-carbohydrate meals.
- Avoid overexertion during the first 24-48 hours at high altitude.
- Limit alcohol and avoid smoking.
- Consult your healthcare professional about preventive medications or your suitability for travel to high-altitude areas.

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If required your local guide can arrange oxygen (at an additional cost) to help you settle into the high altitude environment

***Please note: It is expected that every traveller must be self-reliant and able to undertake all aspects of their own travel. Please speak to your booking agent about your personal circumstances and any assistance requirements to ensure this tour is right for you.***

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

## 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).***

## Wildlife sighting:

TripADeal cannot guarantee animal sightings on tour. Wildlife are unpredictable and factors such as weather conditions, predatory fear and animal movements can impact sightings.

## 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

Australian and New Zealand citizens qualify for Visa-free travel to China for stays up to 30 days but require a special permit to visit Tibet.

The special permit required for overseas

tourists to visit Tibet is called the Tibet Travel Permit (TTP), also often referred to as the Tibet Entry Permit or a "Tibet visa" (though it is not a visa). This permit is included in your booking and you will be required to provide a photo passport copy to TripADeal no later than 90 days to your travel date so we may arrange this permit on your behalf. As a condition of this permit you are not to deviate from the group itinerary at all whilst visiting Tibet. The visa exemption is set to expire on the 31st December 2026. Eligibility criteria will apply. Please consult Smart Traveller and your nearest Chinese consulate for up-to-date eligibility criteria and information.

### Important:

- Please start arranging your visa three weeks before departure to account for any delays due to consulate operating hours.***
- Visa rules are subject to change. Please check with the nearest embassy, consulate or immigration department of the destination/s you are visiting once you receive your travel documentation to ensure you have the most up to date information.***
- It is your responsibility to be travel-ready and ensure that you are aware and comply with any destination or travel requirements, including the validity of all required travel documents.***
- 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>

## 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 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 per booking and any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/other 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.