

Best of Taiwan 2027

TAIPEI ● TAROKO GORGE ● KAOHSIUNG

The Offer

Experience the enchanting beauty of Taiwan like never before on an 11-day adventure from the city of Taipei to the scenic east coast and beyond. This tour reveals the island's best-kept secrets, from ancient temples hidden in neon cityscapes to mist-covered mountain villages.

Your journey kicks off in vibrant Taipei, home to the bamboo-shaped Taipei 101 skyscraper. Ride the historic Pingxi Railroad to the charming villages of Shifen and Jiufen — famous for glowing sky lanterns and teahouse-lined alleys. Nature lovers will be enchanted by Taroko National Park's marble cliffs while the Liwu Valley suspension bridge will get adventure seekers' adrenaline pumping.

Step back in time aboard the 'Breezy Blue' train, a 1950s icon, as you cruise along the rugged coastline toward Kaohsiung. Discover the Lotus Pond's temples, explore the ancient forests of Alishan, delve into Tsou culture in the Chiayi area, and cap off your odyssey with a serene cruise on the glass-like waters of Sun Moon Lake, where you'll see the stunning, 46-metre-high Ci'en Pagoda. Witness the stunning National Taichung Theater before getting acquainted with one of Taiwan's modern delicacies: pineapple cake.

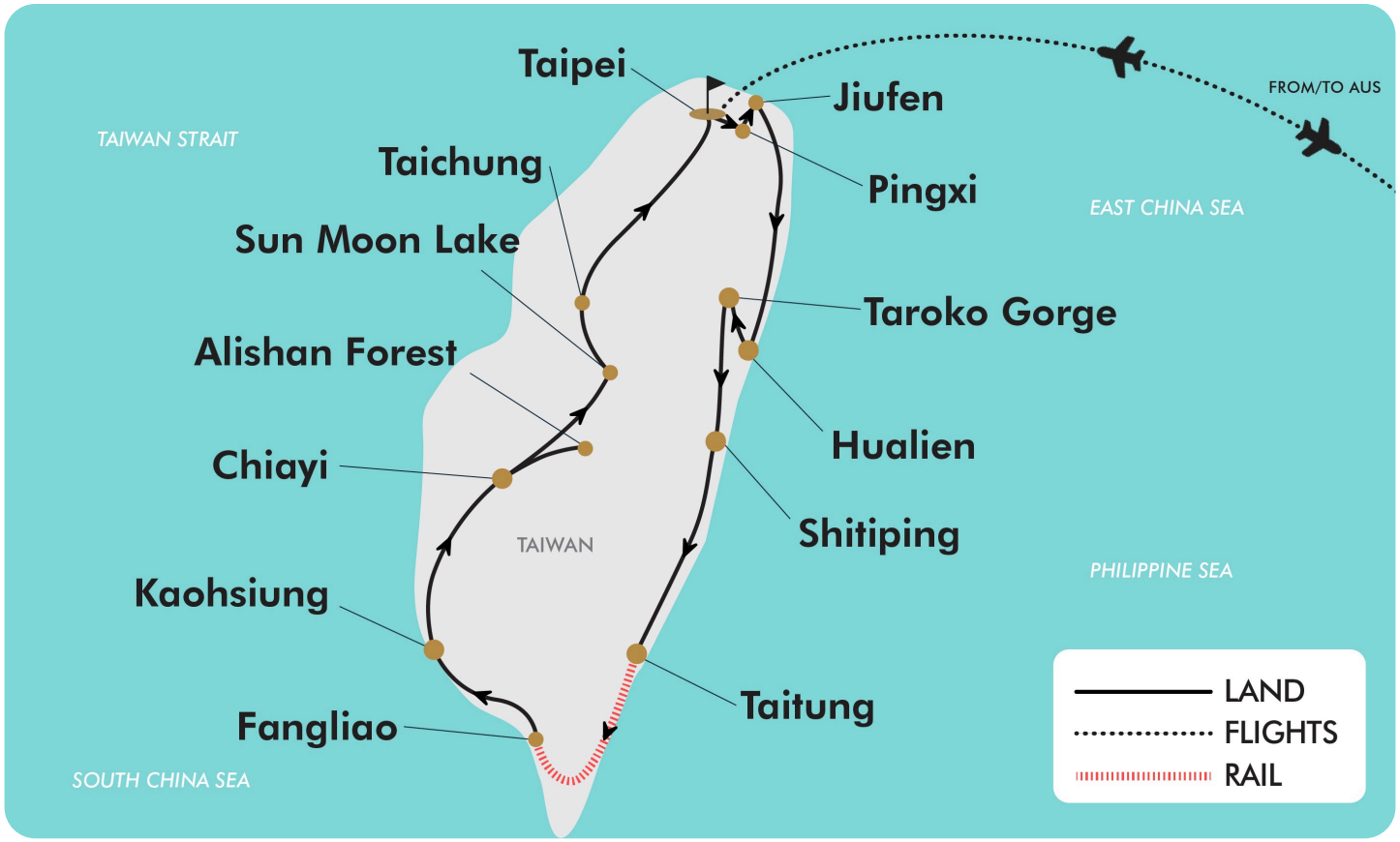
This value-packed escape includes return international flights, 10 nights of hotel accommodation, 11 meals and more.

Want to see even more of Taipei? Ask about our Arrive Early and Stay Behind options.



12-DAY TOUR PACKAGE | BEST OF TAIWAN 2027

The Map





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. For travellers who arrive early, luggage storage will be available at reception.*

Overnight: The Place Taipei or similar, Taipei
Meals included: In-Flight

Day 2 Taipei Sightseeing Tour

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 Museum which boasts the world's largest and most impressive collection of Chinese art and artefacts, dating back more than 7,000 years.

After visit Longshan Temple, which is one of the most famous temples in Taiwan, drive 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 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 food court, or alternatively take a trip up to the observatory at the top of the tower (not included, additional cost paid on tour). Finish the day back at your hotel and enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

Overnight: The Place Taipei or similar, Taipei
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 3 Taipei - Shifen - Jiufen - Hualien

This morning, depart Taipei and travel to the nearby Pingxi district, where you will enjoy a quick ride along the Pingxi Branch Line rail. 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 few 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). Here, you could 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



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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.

Continue onwards to Hualien City. On arrival, check into your hotel, where you may enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

Please note: If the train happens to not be running due to unforeseen events, this short train journey will be replaced with a coach transfer. Today's driving distance is approximately 240km.

Overnight: Hualien Holiday Hotel or similar, Hualien
Meals included: Breakfast

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

Today, head out for an exciting journey into Taiwan's most famous protected areas: Taroko National Park, 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. Today's driving distance is approximately 240km.

Overnight: Inn by the Village or similar, Taitung
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. 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 Taitung 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.



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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. Today's driving distance is approximately 180km, not including the Breezy Blue train journey.

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

Day 6 Kaohsiung Half-Day Tour - Chiayi

After breakfast, depart for Lotus Pond, a scenic area famous for its lakeside temples and iconic landmarks. Visit the Dragon and Tiger Pagodas, known for the "enter through the dragon, exit through the tiger" tradition symbolising good luck, and Zuoying Chiming Temple, dedicated to Guan Gong, a revered deity of loyalty and protection.

After lunch, continue to Fo Guang Shan Buddha Museum, one of Taiwan's largest Buddhist complexes. The museum features a massive Buddha statue, impressive temple architecture, and exhibition halls showcasing Buddhist art and culture, offering guests a deeper insight into Taiwanese Buddhism. In the evening, travel north to Chiayi and stop at Wenhua Road Night Market for free time and dinner at your own expense. Today's driving distance is approximately 120km.

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

Day 7 Chiayi - Alishan National Forest Recreation Area - Chiayi

This morning, travel 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 ocean.

Afterwards, enjoy a Tsou cultural performance and tea tasting, with the opportunity to purchase the locally-famous indigenous millet wine. The Tsou are an indigenous people of central southern Taiwan. They are an Austronesian ethnic group numbered at around 6,000, making them the seventh-largest indigenous group in Taiwan.

Afterwards, return to Chiayi and transfer back to the hotel, where you will enjoy an evening at leisure. Today's driving distance is approximately 140km.

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

Day 8 Chiayi - Sun Moon Lake - Taichung

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. On arrival, 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.



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Afterwards, proceed to Ita Thao Shopping District, a local market area where you may explore at leisure and have lunch (not included). In the afternoon, enjoy a cruise across the lake before travelling onwards to nearby Taichung City, where you will visit Taichung Fengjia Night Market before checking into your hotel for an evening at leisure. Today's driving distance is approximately 180km.

Overnight: Holiday Inn Express Taichung Fengchia or similar, Taichung
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 9 Taichung Sightseeing - Taipei

This morning, visit the National Taichung Theatre, an architectural landmark in Taichung considered an architectural marvel because it challenges the fundamental rules of construction. Designed by Pritzker Prize-winning architect Toyo Ito, it is often referred to as the "world's ninth new landmark" due to its complex, organic form that mimics the fluidity of nature. Afterwards, continue to Miyahara, housed in the historic former Taichung Miyahara Eye Clinic built in the 1920s during the Japanese colonial period, this building preserves its classic architecture and is now a specialty dessert shop offering ice cream, chocolate and other local delicacies.

Afterwards, travel to Wuqi Fishing Port for lunch (not included), where you may enjoy fresh seafood at your own expense. Continue onwards to Taipei and stop at a pineapple cake factory in New Taipei City. Pineapple cakes became famous in Taiwan in the 1970s when a drop in demand for canned fruit left Taiwan with a massive surplus of pineapples. Local pastry chefs began experimenting with the fruit to create a shelf-stable product. They eventually developed the "pineapple cake" — a buttery, shortbread-like crust filled with pineapple jam which is famous across Taiwan. At the factory, you have the chance to make your own pineapple cakes and either eat them or take them back home with you. Finish the day at your hotel in Taipei. Today's driving distance is approximately 180km.

Overnight: The Place Taipei or similar, Taipei
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 10 Taipei Free Day

Today is a free day to explore Taipei at leisure.

Overnight: The Place Taipei or similar, Taipei
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 11 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.*

Meals included: Breakfast; In-Flight

Day 12 Arrive in Australia (or New Zealand)

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

Meals included: None



Tour Inclusions

HIGHLIGHTS

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

See 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

Experience Taiwan's famous night market culture across 2 markets in Chiayi and Taichung

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

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 Zuoying Chiming Temple in Kaohsiung City

Visit Fo Guang Shan Buddha Museum, one of Taiwan's largest Buddhist complex's

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

Visit the National Taichung Theatre, an architectural landmark of Taichung that challenges the fundamental rules of construction

Create your own Taiwanese pastries at a pineapple cake factory

FLIGHTS

Return international full-service flights (economy class), surcharges may apply. (Excludes Trip Only option)

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

ACCOMMODATION

10 nights of 3 & 4-star hotel accommodation

DINING

11 meals, including a Taiwanese lunch

ESSENTIALS

English-speaking tour guides

Airline taxes and surcharges

TRANSPORT

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

TRANSFERS

Return airport transfers. (Excludes Trip Only option)

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.

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 and 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 (/terms), Privacy Policy and Cancellation Policy.

Offer Essentials

This Travel Offer is valid for travel on selected dates until the 20 December 2027.
Minimum group size 15, maximum group size 34 per vehicle.
This Travel Offer is priced per person based on a twin share.

Departure Dates & Surcharges

See checkout for live dates and availability.

Single Traveller Supplement

For solo travellers, a mandatory single supplement of $890 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.

Child Policy

- No child discounts are offered. The full price applies to all children travelling with their parents.
- Valid for children 10 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.

Flights

(Flight information for options excluding Trip Only)

Departure Cities

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

Departure City Surcharges

- Melbourne, Perth or Brisbane: $100 per person
- Adelaide $300 per person
- Auckland: $450 per person

International Flight(s)

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.*
- *From Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane or Perth, the flying journey to your destination may take up to 18.5 hours, with up to 1 stop.*
- *From Adelaide or Auckland, the flying journey to your destination may take up to 21 hours, with up to 2 stops.*

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- *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.*

Preferred Airline Surcharge

- Cabin Class: Economy Class
- Cathay Pacific: $200 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.*
- *On any upgrade purchase, short-haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed.*
- *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 and Stay Behind Options

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

Arrive Early

Taipei - From $200 per person, subject to availability

Stay Behind

Taipei - From $200 per person, subject to availability

Please note:

This option incurs a fee for adjusting the departure or return dates. This fee does not include extra nights' accommodation, meals and/or airport transfers, which will be at your own cost.
In addition, airport transfers listed as an inclusion on the Travel Offer are considered void in the event that you select an Arrive Early/Stay Behind option. As such, you will need to arrange your own transfers at your cost.
We strongly advise against booking any pre or post-tour travel arrangements/ accommodation until TripADeal confirms your flight details. If you choose to book before confirmation, we recommend opting for refundable reservations or having backup plans in case the tour does not proceed.

Internal Flights

: If you select to Arrive Early or Stay Behind into a city other than the one where the tour begins or concludes (where applicable), the package will include an internal flight to your destination. This offer applies only to the cities listed in our Arrive Early & Stay Behind Options. If you wish to forfeit this flight, please advise our friendly team at the time of purchase. Please note that the package's cost does not change when you choose to forfeit your connecting flight.

Please note: If you request to fly into cities not listed in our "Arrive Early & Stay Behind Options", we may be able to customise your itinerary. If possible, the flight's cost will be charged as an extra.

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:

- 12th December 2026 - 18th December 2026
- 19th December 2026 - 3rd January 2027
- 4th January 2027 - 26th January 2027
- 19th March 2027 - 28th April 2027
- 19th June 2027 - 18th July 2027
- 11th September 2027 - 10th October 2027
- 10th December 2027 - 19th December 2027
- 20th December 2027 - 3rd January 2028

Stopover Packages

- 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.

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

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- Singapore Grand Prix: 30 September - 05 October 2027 (Exact dates to be confirmed)
- Christmas and New Years Eve - 20 December 2027 to 3 January 2028

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.*

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.

Trip Only Option

If you choose to remove international flights from your package, your holiday may be shorter, as travel days for flights are not included in the Trip Only package. You will receive an email confirmation when minimum numbers have been met and the departure is guaranteed.
We recommend making further travel arrangements, such as flights, after you have received confirmation of a guaranteed departure.
TripADeal assumes no liability for financial losses incurred due to travel arrangements made prior to confirmation of guaranteed departure.
Note: The Trip Only Package does not include return international airfares or airport transfers. At the conclusion of the tour, you will be responsible for booking your own onward travel.
Click here for full Trip Only terms and conditions (see section 4.1)

Accommodation

Accommodation Used:

3-4 Star Properties (Self-Rated)

- Taipei: The Place Taipei or similar.
- Hualien: 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.
- Taichung: Holiday Inn Express Taichung Fengchia 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).

Exclusions

- Visa fees and requirements
- Domestic transfers and flights not stated in the deal offer
- Meals/beverages not stated in the deal offer
- Recommended gratuities/tipping
- 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

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

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 $150NT (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.

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

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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, while lows range from 15°C to 18°C.
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.

Summer (June to August)

Temperature: Average highs range from 30°C to 34°C, while lows hover around 25°C.
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, while lows range from 21°C to 24°C.
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, while lows range from 12°C to 14°C.
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.

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 guided walks of up to 2 hours at a time. You will require a general 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. You will be responsible for your own luggage and have the ability to board

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all modes of transport without assistance.

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).

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

Entry and exit conditions can change. Contact the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office (TECO) for details about visas, currency, customs and quarantine rules.
Starting October 1, 2025, all non-Taiwan passport holders entering Taiwan will be required to complete an online Taiwan Arrival Card (TWAC) prior to entry. The paper version will no longer be provided. Travelers must fill out the form within 3 days before arrival. One person may submit information on behalf of up to 16 travelers.
Taiwan Arrival Card Registration Website: https://twac.immigration.gov.tw/

Please note: Passengers who are not Australian citizens must 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.

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- *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.*
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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/

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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.