Warriors of China

BEIJING ● SHANGHAI ● LUOYANG ● XI'AN

The Offer

The cultural landmarks of China are the ultimate bucket list journey on this 15-day itinerary packed with cultural wonders! From Beijing's Great Wall to Xi'an's Terracotta Warriors, Luoyang's famous Longmen Grottoes, Shanghai's ultra-modern metropolis and more, they await your discovery.

Start your adventure with Beijing's awe-inspiring Forbidden City, or Temple of Heaven, and the imposing Tiananmen Square. Walk along China's most renowned monument, the majestic Great Wall, then uncover the secrets of traditional Chinese medicine before travelling to Xi'an, where the 2,000 year old Terracotta Warriors and Horses await.

Continue to Luoyang to explore the famed Longmen Grottoes, home to 100,000 Buddhist statues and stay in Zhengzhou, cradle of China's Shaolin kung-fu heritage. Travel on to the tranquil paths of Suzhou's UNESCO-listed Lingering Garden and admire China's exquisite craftsmanship with a fascinating visit to a silk spinning factory. Explore Tangxi Ancient Town and sip tea blends with views across the lush tea plantations of the Meijiawu Tea Village. Experience UNESCO-listed West Lake from the water before heading to the bright lights of Shanghai's famous Bund riverfront promenade, Shanghai History Museum and more.

This China adventure includes return international full-service flights, 13 nights of 4-star hotel accommodation, 15 meals, English-speaking tour guides and more.

Want more? Enhance your travel experience with a Premium Upgrade including 5-star accommodation, pre-paid tipping and a smaller touring group.

Please note:

- *This travel offer is strictly valid for those 18 and over.*
- *This travel offer is priced based on full participation in the itinerary by all travellers. Accordingly, as a condition of purchasing this travel offer, you must not deviate from the advertised itinerary or otherwise leave the group, and the local supplier reserves the right to cancel your onward travel services (including accommodation and transfers) if you do. This does not apply to days with specified time at leisure.*

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• 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, and any extension to this exemption will likely be announced towards the end of 2026. Eligibility criteria will apply. Please consult Smart Traveller and your nearest Chinese consulate for up-to-date eligibility criteria and information.

The Map

LAND
FLIGHTS
RAIL
FLIGHT OR RAIL
Beijing
Great Wall of China
CHINA
YELLOW SEA
Zhengzhou
Xi'an
Luoyang
Suzhou
Wuxi
Shanghai
EAST CHINA SEA
Hangzhou

The Itinerary

Day 1 Australia (or New Zealand) – Beijing, China

Today, depart from Australia (or New Zealand) for Beijing, China. Upon arrival, a tour representative will meet you at the airport and transfer you to the hotel.

Beijing is the monumental capital of China, blending over three millennia of history with dynamic, ultra-modern architecture. As the political and cultural heart of the country, it offers an incredible juxtaposition of ancient alleys standing alongside gleaming skyscrapers.

Please note:

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

Overnight: Standard or Premium Option, Beijing
Meals included: In-Flight

Day 2 Tiananmen Square & Forbidden City (or Tiananmen Square & Temple of Heaven)

After breakfast this morning, visit Tiananmen Square, one of the largest public squares in the world which serves as the symbolic and geographical heart of Beijing and hosts some of the country's most important architectural monuments, governmental buildings and museums.

Next, visit the Imperial Palace in the Forbidden City. The Forbidden City, known officially as The Palace Museum, was originally constructed by Emperor Yong Le who was the third Emperor of the Ming Dynasty. The palace was built between AD 1406 and 1420 but has been burnt down, rebuilt, sacked and renovated countless times so most of the architecture you can see today dates from the 1700s and onwards.

Afterwards you will have the opportunity to take part in an optional activity, or explore Beijing at leisure.

Optional Tour: Summer Palace and Beijing Zoo with Dinner

Take a trip to the majestic Summer Palace, a beautiful UNESCO World Heritage site and a masterpiece of Chinese landscape garden design. The natural landscape of hills and open water is combined with artificial features such as pavilions, halls, palaces, temples and bridges to form a harmonious ensemble of outstanding aesthetic value. Head to the Panda House, the crown jewel of Beijing Zoo. Since the successful captive breeding of the first giant panda in 1963, and the world's first successful artificial insemination in 1978, the zoo has been at the forefront of panda conservation.

Finish with a delicious dinner experience that will allow you to savour authentic regional flavours. Not included, paid on tour. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Please note: Scheduling of attractions and activities may be alternated for the days in Beijing (Days 2 to 4).

Please note:

- *There is a daily limit on the number of tickets available for The Forbidden City, therefore entry is likely, but cannot be guaranteed as it is subject to availability. In the unlikely event that tickets can not be secured, a visit to The Temple of Heaven will be offered instead.*

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- *The Temple of Heaven, founded in the first half of the 15th century, is a dignified complex of fine cult buildings that are set in gardens and surrounded by historic pine woods. In its overall layout, it symbolises the relationship between earth and heaven which stands at the heart of Chinese cosmogony and also recognises the special role played by the emperors within that relationship.*

Overnight: Standard or Premium Option, Beijing
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 3 Great Wall of China

After breakfast, travel to a jade museum and factory to learn the history of jade, observe skilled artisans at work as they create their intricate designs and shop for a souvenir. In Chinese, jade is pronounced as 'Yu' and has a history of at least four thousand years in China. Next, take a scenic drive through the countryside and mountains to reach China's most renowned monument, the Great Wall. Along the way, enjoy a picnic lunch.

On arrival at the Great Wall, visit the less-touristy and more original Juyong Pass. The Great Wall meanders through China's northern mountain ranges from the Yellow Sea to the Gobi Desert - a distance of more than 5,600 kilometres.

Afterwards return to Beijing where you may take part in an optional activity, or explore Beijing at leisure.

Optional Tour: Hutong Pedicab Tour & Dinner

This afternoon, take the opportunity to join an optional tour (not included, paid on tour) of Beijing's 700-year-old Hutongs (narrow lanes) area by old-fashioned pedicab. Visit a local family to experience the local customs and enjoy a delicious home-cooked dinner. The optional tour also includes a visit to Shichahai, a historic scenic area consisting of three lakes (Qianhai, Houhai and Xihai) which surround places of historic interest, scenic beauty and remnants of old-style hutong and courtyard local residences. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Please note:

- *Scheduling of attractions and activities may be alternated for the days in Beijing (Days 2 to 4).*
- *The old-fashioned pedicab operation may be suspended without prior notice and a replacement optional tour will be offered.*

Overnight: Standard or Premium Option, Beijing
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch

Day 4 Beijing – Xi'an

After breakfast, head to a traditional Chinese health centre where you'll learn about acupuncture, herbal medicine and other wellness practices integral to Traditional Chinese Medicine.

Travel by high-speed train (or domestic flight) to Xi'an. Upon arrival, a tour representative will meet you and then escort you to check into the hotel.

Xi'an serves as one of China's four ancient major capitals and the historic starting point of the Silk Road. As the cradle of Chinese civilisation across 13 dynasties, the city seamlessly blends thousands of years of imperial history with a modern, vibrant urban landscape.

Please note:

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- *If travelling from different cities but on the same order, you may travel on a different domestic flight/train to your travel partner due to the way your international airfares are ticketed. You will still be travelling on the same coach group for all other components of the tour.*
- *High-speed train tickets are subject to availability, and if train tickets are unavailable a domestic flight will be provided in place of this. Train and/or domestic flight tickets will be distributed by your tour guide on arrival in China and in some cases you may find a domestic flight within China included in your attached international flight ticket.*
- *If you do not provide your passport details at least 60 days prior to departure, you may not be in the same train carriage or on the same train as your companions and other group members.*
- *Seating arrangement on high-speed trains consists of a row of 2 seats and a row of 3 seats. Due to this, we cannot guarantee you a seat right next to your travel companion on this journey.*

Overnight: Standard or Premium Option, Xi'An
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 5 Terracotta Warriors & Horses

The highlight today is visiting 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.

You will be amazed by the scale of the Terracotta Warriors Army. En route, you'll also visit the Terracotta Warriors Reproduction Factory. Afterwards you will have the opportunity to take part in an optional activity, or explore Xi'an at leisure.

Optional Tour: Xi'an At Night with Grand Tang Dynasty Everbridge City & Dinner

Tonight, enjoy an early dinner of local cuisine at a restaurant. You'll then head to Grand Tang Dynasty Everbridge 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, with its unique Tang culture and technological exhibitions. The view of the ancient city wall is another highlight, seen on the way back to the hotel. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Overnight: Standard or Premium Option, Xi'An
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 6 Xi'an – Luoyang

After breakfast visit Small Wild Goose Pagoda, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. This impressive pagoda stands in serene surroundings in the grounds of the ancient Jianfu Temple and has a history dating back over 1,300 years.

Transfer to Xi'an Railway Station for a high-speed train ride to Luoyang. Luoyang served as a vital birthplace of Chinese civilisation. As one of the 'Four Great Ancient Capitals' of China, it hosted 13 dynasties and represents the eastern starting point of the Silk Road.

Upon arrival, a tour representative will meet and transfer you to the hotel. A group dinner will be provided this evening.

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Overnight: Standard or Premium Option, Luoyang
Meals included: Breakfast; Dinner

Day 7 Longmen Grottoes – Zhengzhou

Today visit the famous Longmen Grottoes for an awe-inspiring look at ancient Buddhist art carved directly into limestone cliffs along the Yi River. Recognised as a UNESCO World Heritage site, this massive complex houses over 100,000 Buddhist statues that date back to the Northern Wei and Tang dynasties.

Afterwards, travel onwards to Zhengzhou, the bustling capital of Henan Province and a major transportation hub in central China. Known historically as one of the 'Eight Great Ancient Capitals', this cradle of Chinese civilisation seamlessly blends 3,500-year-old history with rapid modern development along the Yellow River.

Henan province also operates as the heart of China's high-pressure, high-temperature (HPHT) synthetic diamond industry, producing over 80% of the country's rough lab-grown output. Discover this fascinating industry with a visit to a lab-made diamond production factory

Overnight: Standard or Premium Option, Zhengzhou
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 8 Zhengzhou - Day at Leisure

Today enjoy the day at leisure to explore Zhengzhou or take the opportunity to join an optional full-day Shaolin Kung Fu experience with lunch (not included).

Optional Activity: Shaolin Kung Fu Experience With Lunch

Visit the Shaolin Monastary, also known as Shaolin Temple, a Mahayana Buddhist monastic institution recognised as the birthplace of Chan Buddhism and the cradle of Shaolin kung fu. It is located at the foot of Wuru Peak of the Mount Song mountain range. The Shaolin Temple embraces many exciting attractions, such as the Hall of Heavenly Kings (Tianwangdian), the Mahavira Hall (Daxiongbaodian), the Pagoda Forest, the Dharma Cave and the Shaolin Temple Martial Art Training Centre. Enjoy the chance to watch an exciting Shaolin kung fu performance at the Martial Arts Hall and learn some techniques from the masters.

Overnight: Standard or Premium Option, Zhengzhou
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 9 Zhengzhou – Wuxi

This morning visit Zhengzhou Museum, one of the major museums in Henan and the largest centres for the collection, protection, study and display of cultural relics in the hinterland of the Central Plain. Then transfer to Zhengzhou Railway Station for your high-speed train ride to Wuxi.

Known as the 'Land of Fish and Rice', Wuxi is a captivating cultural hub in Jiangsu Province nestled right along the shores of Lake Tai (Taihu). Upon arrival, a tour representative will meet and escort you to check into the hotel.

Please note:

- *The order of Wuxi, Suzhou, Hangzhou and Shanghai from Day 9-13 may be swapped due to operational considerations, but all inclusions will remain the same.*

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- *If travelling from different cities but on the same order, you may travel on a different domestic flight to your travel partner due to the way your international airfares are ticketed. You will still be travelling on the same coach group for all other components of the tour.*
- *High-speed train tickets are subject to availability. If train tickets are unavailable, a domestic flight will be provided to Shanghai, followed by a coach transfer to Suzhou. Train or flight tickets will be confirmed in your travel documentation which will arrive 4-6 weeks prior to your departure date.*
- *If you do not provide your passport details at least 60 days prior to departure, you may not be in the same train carriage or on the same train as your companions and other group members.*
- *Seating arrangement on high-speed trains consists of a row of 2 seats and a row of 3 seats. Due to this, we cannot guarantee you a seat right next to your travel companion on this journey.*

Overnight: Standard or Premium Option, Wuxi
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 10 Wuxi – Suzhou

This morning visit Lihu Park, a serene oasis nestled along the picturesque shores of Lake Lihu. Experience lush greenery, scenic walking paths and charming bridges. Take in the peaceful views of locals cycling around the lake, fishing and boating along the water. Wuxi is also known as the 'Bright Pearl of Taihu Lake', as it is a major hub for high-quality freshwater pearls.

Gain an insight into China's enormous manufacturing and production capabilities with a visit to a Pearl Factory and shop. Freshwater pearls have remained a key export commodity with great cultural significance, since the Han dynasty. Cultivated in the nutrient-rich waters of Lake Tai, these pearls are prized globally for their impressive lustre, colour range and variety.

In the afternoon, travel approximately 40 kilometres to Suzhou to check into your hotel. Often called the 'Venice of the East', Suzhou is one of China's most historic and culturally rich cities, celebrated for its elegant stone bridges, tranquil canal networks, exquisite silk industry and UNESCO-listed classical gardens.

Please note:

- *The order of Wuxi, Suzhou, Hangzhou and Shanghai from Day 9-13 may be swapped due to operational considerations, but all inclusions will remain the same.*

Overnight: Standard or Premium Option, Suzhou
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 11 Suzhou – Hangzhou

This morning visit the famous UNESCO-listed Lingering Garden, stopping by a silk spinning factory as China is renowned for its exquisite silk. Afterwards enjoy time at leisure or take part in an optional activity.

Optional Activity: Grand Canal Cruise

Take the opportunity to cruise along the Grand Canal to view life along China's ancient waterway. In the afternoon, you'll drive approximately 150 kilometres to Hangzhou. Along the way stop in Tangxi Ancient Town, a historic water town on the Beijing-Hangzhou Grand Canal.

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Dating back to the Northern Song Dynasty (AD 960–1127), it is celebrated for its centuries-old stone bridges, authentic Jiangnan architecture and traditional local pastries.

Upon arrival in Hangzhou, check into your hotel for an evening at leisure.

Celebrated for centuries as 'Heaven on Earth', Hangzhou is one of China's most beautiful and storied cities. The city centres around the legendary, willow-lined West Lake, rolling green tea hills and misty Buddhist temples. It offers a much softer, more romantic pace than neighbouring Shanghai an hour away via high-speed train.

Please note:

- *The order of Wuxi, Suzhou, Hangzhou and Shanghai from Day 9-13 may be swapped due to operational considerations, but all inclusions will remain the same.*

Overnight: Standard or Premium Option, Hangzhou
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 12 Hangzhou - Shanghai

Hangzhou is considered one of the tea capitals of China, so a visit to the city just isn't complete without a trip to a local tea house. Today, make a special visit to the Tea House at Meijiawu Tea Village. This is located in the hinterland of West Lake Park which is considered one of the most important Longjing Tea productions in China. Enjoy the natural environment and beautiful village scenery while learning about the special tea culture. Uncover how to make Longjing Tea, including picking, frying and tasting the tea leaves.

Afterwards, enjoy a short boat ride on the UNESCO-listed West Lake to marvel at the ethereal beauty of Hangzhou's willow-draped islands.

Travel approximately 175 kilometres to Shanghai. Shanghai serves as China's financial capital and premier global megacity. Situated at the mouth of the Yangtze River, it is bisected by the Huangpu River, with traditional European-style architecture in historic Puxi on the west bank and futuristic mega-high rises in Pudong on the east. Known historically as the 'Paris of the East', it seamlessly blends classical Chinese traditions with European colonial architecture and high-tech urban design.

On arrival, visit the famous Bund, a five-block riverfront promenade with many of Shanghai's banks and trading houses. Afterwards take part in an optional activity, or enjoy time at leisure.

Optional Activity: ERA & The Intersection of Time

Tonight, take part in an optional activity to watch a superb and thrilling Chinese Acrobatic Show, 'ERA: The Intersection of Time', or similar. Please see current pricing in Important Information. Not included, paid on tour.

Please note:

- *The order of Wuxi, Suzhou, Hangzhou and Shanghai from Day 9-13 may be swapped due to operational considerations, but all inclusions will remain the same.*

Overnight: Standard or Premium Option, Shanghai
Meals included: Breakfast

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Day 13 Shanghai History Museum - Afternoon at Leisure

This morning, take the chance to step back in time at the Shanghai History Museum, a landmark museum that comprehensively reflects the local history of Shanghai. In the afternoon, join an optional activity or explore Shanghai at leisure.

Optional Activity: Half-Day Shanghai Tour

Join a half-day tour of Shanghai visiting the exquisite Yu Garden, believed to have been built more than 400 years ago. Other attractions include Xintiandi, Old Town and Nanjing Road. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Optional Tour: Huangpu River Night Cruise

In the evening, take the opportunity to join the optional night cruise on the Huangpu River. Not included, paid on tour. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Please note:

- *If the Shanghai History Museum is closed, you'll visit Suzhou Museum in place of this visit on Day 5 of the tour.*
- *The order of Wuxi, Suzhou, Hangzhou and Shanghai from Day 9-13 may be swapped due to operational considerations, but all inclusions will remain the same.*

Overnight: Standard or Premium Option, Shanghai
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 14 Shanghai, China – Australia (or New Zealand)

Today you will transfer to Shanghai Airport for your return flight back to Australia (or New Zealand).

Please note:

- *Standard check-out time is 12:00, luggage storage is available at the front desk for those with later fights.*
- *Some travellers may be required to depart a day later. If so, 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 for their early morning flight.*
- *Some travellers may be required to fly from Hangzhou Airport, if this is required a transfer from Shanghai to Hangzhou will be arranged free of charge.*

Meals included: Breakfast; In-Flight

Day 15 Arrive Australia (or New Zealand)

Please note some flights may arrive +1 days

Meals included: None

Tour Inclusions

HIGHLIGHTS

Tour Beijing, Xi'an, Luoyang, Shanghai and more

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

Visit Beijing's impressive Tiananmen Square

Step back in time to the Forbidden City or Temple of Heaven (subject to availability)

Walk along the remarkable Great Wall of China

Visit Luoyang, one of China's 'Four Great Ancient Capitals'

Explore the famous Longmen Grottoes, a UNESCO World Heritage site that houses over 100,000 Buddhist statues

Visit a lab-made diamond production factory in Zhengzhou

Visit Lihu Park, a serene oasis on the picturesque shores of Lake Lihu in Wuxi

Indulge in tea tasting at Longjing Tea in Meijiawu Tea Village

Visit Tangxi Ancient Town, a historic water town on the Beijing-Hangzhou Grand Canal

Enjoy a boat ride on Hangzhou's scenic West Lake

Admire the beauty of Suzhou's Lingering Garden

View Shanghai's incredible skyline from The Bund

Delve into China's rich history at Shanghai History Museum

FLIGHTS

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

ACCOMMODATION

13 nights of 4-star hotel accommodation

DINING

15 meals included

ESSENTIALS

English-speaking tour guides

Airline taxes and surcharges

Airport and cruise port charges plus taxes

TRANSPORT

Transportation by air-conditioned private vehicles

1 high-speed train journey (guaranteed service)

2 high-speed train journeys or domestic flights (subject to availability)

TRANSFERS

Return airport transfers (Excludes Trip Only Package)

PREMIUM UPGRADE

Enjoy smaller group touring, with a max of 28 travellers per group

13 nights of 5-star hotel accommodation

Enjoy the convenience of pre-paid tipping (approximate value of $156 per person)

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

Itinerary Deviation

This travel offer is priced based on full participation in the itinerary by all travellers. Accordingly, as a condition of purchasing this travel offer, you must not deviate from the advertised itinerary or otherwise leave the group, and the local supplier reserves the right to cancel your onward travel services (including accommodation and transfers) if you do. This does not apply to days with specified time at leisure.

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, Privacy Policy and Cancellation Policy.

Offer Essentials

This Travel Offer is valid for travel on selected dates until the 20 November 2027.
Minimum group size 10, maximum group size 44 per vehicle (Standard Package)
Minimum group size 10, maximum group size 28 per vehicle (Premium Package)
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 applies.
Standard Package: $980
Premium Package: $1580

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 children permitted.
- Valid for adults 18 years old and over.

Flights

Flight information for options excluding Trip Only Package.

Departure Cities

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

Departure City Surcharges

- Brisbane: $450 per person
- Adelaide: $500 per person
- Perth or Auckland: $600 per person

International 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.*

Important Information

- *From Sydney or Melbourne, the flying journey to your destination may take up to 20 hours, with up to 1 stop. In some cases you may have an extended layover in Guangzhou or Shanghai and complimentary hotel accommodation will be provided.*
- *From Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth or Auckland, the flying journey to your destination may take up to 22 hours, with up to 2 stops. In some cases you may have an extended layover in Guangzhou or Shanghai and complimentary hotel accommodation will be provided.*
- *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 Airline(s) Used

- Cabin Class: Economy class.

Please note: If travelling from different cities but on the same order, you may travel on a different domestic flight/train to your travel partner due to the way your international airfares are ticketed. You will still be travelling on the same coach group for all other components of the tour.

Group Flights

Please note: Any flights used on this deal may be booked as part of a group ticket and therefore you may not be able to pre-select seats or request upgrades. We suggest you contact the airline directly with seating allocation requirements and/or arrive at the airport earlier to arrange your seating or request and upgrade if available.

Baggage Allowance

- 20 kilograms of checked baggage (one piece).
- 7 kilograms of carry-on baggage.

Arrive Early and Stay Behind Options

Not available.

Stopover Packages

Not available.

Flight Class Upgrades

Premium Economy: Not available.
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.*
- *Flight upgrades must be purchased at the time of booking; they cannot be added after your flights have been ticketed.*

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 Package

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

STANDARD PACKAGE

Accommodation Used:

4-Star Properties (Self-Rated)

- Beijing: Beijing Meida Hotel or similar
- Xi'an: Metropark Huanyu Hotel or similar
- Luoyang: Madison Hotel or similar
- Zhengzhou: Glory Hotel or similar
- Wuxi: Mingdu Hotel or similar
- Suzhou: Snowy Sea Hotel or similar
- Hangzhou: Fubang International Hotel or similar
- Shanghai: Courtyard Shanghai Jiading or similar

PREMIUM PACKAGE

Accommodation Used:

5-Star Properties (Self-Rated)

- Beijing: Wyndham Beijing North or similar
- Xi'an: Sheraton Xian Hotel or similar
- Luoyang: Luoyang Tangdu Yijing International Hotel or similar
- Zhengzhou: Radisson Blu Hotel, Zhengzhou Huiji or similar
- Wuxi: Radisson Blu Wetland Park or similar
- Suzhou: Renaissance Suzhou Wujiang or similar
- Hangzhou: Crowne Plaza Hangzhou Linping or similar
- Shanghai: Sheraton Waigaoqiao Shanghai 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

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included in your travel pack, which you will receive 4-6 weeks before travel.

Accommodation Location

To ensure a comfortable and convenient experience for everyone, we've carefully selected hotels that best suit the size and specific needs of each group. While this means your accommodation may not be in the city centre, you can rest assured that our hotels are typically located near public transportation and a variety of local restaurants and attractions. Once your tour begins, your friendly driver or tour leader will be happy to help you get your bearings and offer assistance, should you need it.

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

- Beijing: Summer Palace & Beijing Zoo with Dinner - 340 RMB per person
- Beijing: Tour 700-Year-Old Hutong with Dinner - 300 RMB per person
- Xian: Xian At Night with Grand Tang Dynasty Everbridge City & Dinner - 220 RMB per person
- Zhengzhou: Shaolin Kung Fu Experience with Lunch - 550 RMB per person
- Suzhou: Grand Canal Cruise - 220 RMB per person
- Shanghai: ERA & The Intersection of Time - 390 RMB per person
- Shanghai: Half-Day City Tour - 240 RMB per person
- Shanghai: Huangpu River Night Cruise - 280 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 require minimum numbers to operate.*

Exclusions

- 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 (Standard Package Only/Included in Premium Package)
- 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 Package.

Gratuities / Tipping

Land

Tipping is a firm and customary element of the tourism industry and is therefore expected in China.

Standard Package

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.

Premium Package

Pre-paid tipping is included in your package and is calculated at an approximate value of $156 per person, based on the recommended amount of $12 AUD per day.

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.

Important Information

CLIMATE & AVERAGE TEMPERATURES

Spring (March - May)

Beijing

Spring in Beijing arrives with a rapid rise in temperature but is often accompanied by strong winds and very dry conditions. Temperatures typically range from about 8 degrees Celsius to 22 degrees Celsius. The early part of the season can feel chilly and is occasionally prone to dust storms rolling in from the Gobi Desert. As the season progresses into May, the weather becomes warm and pleasant, offering a popular time to see spring blooms before the summer heat.

Shanghai

Spring in Shanghai is warm and fresh, characterized by blooming flowers and fluctuating weather. Temperatures generally range from about 11 degrees Celsius to 21 degrees Celsius, with early mornings feeling cool and afternoons becoming pleasantly warm. Light rain showers and frequent drizzles are common during this transition period. Overall, it is considered an excellent time for tourism and outdoor activities before the summer humidity arrives.

Summer (June - August)

Beijing

Summer in Beijing is hot, humid, and marks the peak rainy season for the region. Temperatures frequently range between 25 degrees Celsius and 35 degrees Celsius, with intense heatwaves occasionally pushing afternoon highs above 38 degrees Celsius. Heavy downpours and sudden thunderstorms are common, especially in July and August, providing brief relief from the stifling urban heat. The high humidity can make midday outdoor excursions challenging.

Shanghai

Summer in Shanghai is notoriously hot and sticky due to its subtropical climate and high humidity. Temperatures typically range from 26 degrees Celsius to 32 degrees Celsius, but often climb above 35 degrees Celsius during peak periods. The city experiences the plum rain season in early summer, bringing prolonged overcast skies and heavy precipitation, followed by late summer typhoon risks that can bring sudden storms and strong winds.

Autumn (September - November)

Beijing

Autumn is widely considered the most comfortable and beautiful season to visit Beijing. The intense summer heat breaks quickly, giving way to crisp, clear skies and very pleasant weather. Temperatures generally range from 10 degrees Celsius to 25 degrees Celsius in early autumn, cooling down sharply by November. The humidity drops significantly, leaving the city dry and sunny, which is perfect for outdoor sightseeing.

Shanghai

Autumn in Shanghai is a highly favored season due to its comfortable and moderate conditions. The sweltering summer heat recedes as temperatures gradually cool down from around 25 degrees Celsius in September to about 15 degrees Celsius by late November. The humidity drops noticeably, and the city enjoys clearer, breezier days with less rainfall compared to the summer months, making it ideal for walking tours.
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

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.
This journey requires a moderate level of physical fitness. Participants must be able to move independently for up to 3 hours a day without assistance, which includes stepping on and off various types of transportation, climbing stairs, and handling occasional steep or uneven ground. Due to the itinerary's nature, we cannot accommodate wheelchairs, mobility scooters, or specialized accessibility needs. Other walking aids are welcome, provided you can maintain the group's pace autonomously. Although some assistance may be available, all participants must be responsible for your own luggage. Because this trip involves extensive walking, please share any health or mobility concerns with us during booking so we can help determine if this adventure is right for you.

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. 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.