

13-day Beijing, Xi'an, Shanghai & Yangtze River

5-star hotels, cruiseship with private balcony; meals are incl'd as indicated BLD

From \$1930

Land Package + Tax \$89

Full Package \$3130+Tax, incl. round-trip airs from Toronto

**2012 departures: Mar7, Apr4, May9,
Jun6, Jul4, Aug1, Sep5, Oct10**



Day 1 (Wed): Depart Canada

Take transpacific flight to Beijing.

Day 2 (Thu): Arrive Beijing

Transfer to hotel upon arrival. Rest of the day is at your leisure to explore the city.

Hotel: Chang An Grand Hotel ★★★★★

Day 3 (Fri): Beijing (BLD)

Today, we start our sightseeing with a visit to the Tiananmen Square—the largest public city square in the world. From there you enter The Forbidden City to observe the 250-acre complex of palaces, pavilions, courtyards and gardens. After lunch, we visit the Summer Palace, a royal resort during the Qing Dynasty. A Peking duck dinner is prearranged to conclude your first day of sightseeing.

Day 4 (Sat): Beijing (BLD)

We drive 70km northwest from the city of Beijing for a full-day excursion to the Great Wall — the world's longest man-made structure. Then, we will visit the Ming Tombs. On the way back we have a picture-taking stop at the Bird's Nest and Water Cube where the 2008 Beijing Olympic Games were hosted. Kung Fu show in the evening.

Day 5 (Sun): Beijing-Xi'an (BLD)

In the morning, we visit the Temple of Heaven and join local residents in practicing Tai Chi and morning exercises in the park.

After lunch we take a Hutong tour by rickshaw ride to look around Beijing's traditional old alleys and visit local residential courtyards. Take a late afternoon flight to Xi'an – an ancient Chinese capital city for 13 dynasties. Transfer to hotel upon arrival. Hotel: Empark International Hotel Xi'an ★★★★★

Day 6: Xi'an (Mon) (BLD)

Today, we drive 30km east of

the city to visit the excavation site of the Terracotta Army,



followed by visiting followed by visiting the Mausoleum of Qin Shihuang, Acrobatic Figures and Stone Loricæ. Enjoy the Dumpling Banquet dinner and entertainment with the splendid Tang Dynasty Style Music



and Dance Show tonight.

Day 7 (Tue): Xi'an-Chongqing-Yangtze Cruise (BLD)

Take a morning flight to Chongqing - known as a mountain city first built 3000 years ago. Upon arrival, we visit the Chongqing Zoo to see Giant Panda; then board for our 3-nights downstream Yangtze River Cruise in the evening. Accommodation: M/V Yangtze No. 2 ★★★★★ (the newest and largest cruise ship with private balcony)

Day 8 (Wed): Yangtze River Cruise (BLD)

At 6,380km, the Yangtze is the longest river in China and the third longest in the world after the Nile and the Amazon. The most impressive section of the Yangtze is the Three Gorges. Today's shore excursion features Shibaozhai Fortress, an ancient wooden pagoda built against rock cliffs facing the Yangtze.

Day 9 (Thu): Yangtze Cruise (BLD)

Admire nature's grandeur while sailing through spectacular

Outang Gorge (8km) and Wu Gorge (44km) today. In late morning we navigate Shennong Stream on a small vessel. Originating in the southern slopes of Shennongxia Nature Reserve, the crystal clear river twists and turns 60km through forested mountains before emptying into the mighty Yangtze.

Day 10 (Fri): Yichang-Shanghai (BLD)

The ship enters the eastern section of Xiling Gorge (66km) in the morning. We tour the site of the Three Gorges Dam, and disembark at Yichang around noon. Fly from Yichang or Wuhan to Shanghai. Transfer to hotel upon arrival.

Hotel: Wyndham Bund East Shanghai ★★★★★

Day 11 (Sat): Shanghai (BLD)

Today's sightseeing includes visiting the Yuyuan Garden, Town-God Temple bazaar, Shanghai Museum and The Bund — a waterfront promenade famous for its landmark neoclassical buildings of European style. A local hot pot dinner is served before the evening entertainment — the dazzling Acrobatic Show.

Day 12 (Sun): Shanghai (B)

Today is yours to spend at leisure — exploring China's most dynamic city on your own is easy and enjoyable. Our recommended to-do list includes a visit to glitzy Pudong New District, a ride aboard the Maglev train, and the popular evening cruise on Huangpu River to enjoy the city's spectacular neon-lit skyline.

Day 13 (Mon): Shanghai-Home (B)

Transfer to the airport for a return flight home.



- Prices are in CAD Fund per person on basis of double occupancy;
- Additional Costs: Taxes and fuel surcharge for internal flights: \$89/pp;
- Airport/hotel Taxi cost: about \$15-25 per ride for arrival or exit day in China;
- Free Service: A free pickup and/or drop-off are offered for a group 6 plus for your arrival and exit day in China.
- Land Cost Package: the tour fare in China, all-inclusive as per itinerary, without flight to and from China; a free pickup and drop-off for your arrival and exit day in China is offered for a group 6 plus;
- Full Package: with round trip International Airfare to and from China included; this price is subject to change due to seasonal airfare change from airlines;
- The Single Supplement does not cover the single cabin on Yangtze River Cruise, which is usually shared with others. Extra charge applies if single cabin required. Please call or e-mail for detailed quote.
- Prices are subject to change without notice. Refer to www.chinavisittour.com for the updated.
- Hotels are as specified or similar.

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