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14 day tour - Our most recommended tour for travellers who wish to visit ancient China and the modern China of today

Itinerary

Day 1

Depart from Heathrow or your preferred airport for a scheduled flight to Beijing. Meals on board.

Day 2

Beijing.

Upon arrival in Beijing, you are met at the airport by professional English speaking guide and transferred to luxury hotel by private transport. The rest of the day is at your leisure to recover from jetlegs and get ready for the adventure to come! (China is 8 hours ahead of UK)

Day 3 (includes: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Beijing.

A full day city tour to soak up the atmosphere of Beijing. This includes visiting historical sites such as **Temple of Heaven, Tiananmen Square, Forbidden City**. For ones that would like to experience shopping in China, we can take you to the popular shopping street - **Wangfujing** which dates back more than a hundred years and is full of bargains. Our last stop of the day is to the lively night market of **Donghuang Gate**.

Day 4 (includes: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Beijing.

The highlights of today's tour include a visit to **the Great Wall**, the only man-made wonder on earth visible from the moon. Then to the **Ming Tombs**, walk on the **Sacred Way** and see the resting place for thirteen Chinese Emperors of the Ming Dynasty. Enjoy the famous **Peking Roasted Duck dinner** upon return. Then we will go to watch an entertaining **Acrobat show**.

Day 5 (includes: Breakfast, Lunch)

Beijing to Xian.

Today, our tours include the **Summer Palace (Yiheyuan)**, the site goes back to the 12th century when the Jin ruler built his Gold Mountain Travelling Palace. Walk along the Long Corridor beside Kunming Lake. A detour to the Garden of Harmonious and return by taking a ferry from close to the Marble Boat. A **Hutong tour** to visit old residential area and local people's life on **Rickshaw ride**. Then the guide will escort you to **Houhai**, a popular relaxing and eating out place for both Western and Chinese tourists. Our guide will be delighted to provide recommendations if you need it. In the evening, we take a flight to Xian, the former capital of China and starting point of the ancient Silk Road.

Price Option: Take an overnight direct train (soft-sleeper cabin) from Beijing to Xian (dept about 20:28, arrive about 07:58 the next morning). Cost reduction £30.

Day 6 (includes: Breakfast, Lunch)

Xian.

As an ancient capital of China for many dynasties, Xian has a lot historical sites to offer. We will take a city tour including Xian's well reserved **Ancient City Walls**, built in the early Ming Dynasty (about 600 years ago) and the **Bell Tower** where you can overlook the entire city. Our tour guide will also escort you to **Fanguo Street** which is right in the city centre. The shops on the street are rebuild as in the ancient time of China.



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Day 7 (includes: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Xian.

Today, the highlights include **Terra-cotta Warriors**. You will visit the luxury underground palace of Emperor Qinshihuang, The Archaeological Museum of 6,000 life-size Terracotta Warriors and their horses. The warriors were the after life protectors of the first emperor of the Qin Dynasty (221BC-206BC). Following this we will visit the **Big Wild Goose Pagoda**, built as a Buddhist Monastery during the Tang Dynasty. In the evening we attend a reenactment of the royal arts performance of a 7th century Tang Dynasty Show, with a special **dinner of dumplings** included.

Day 8 (includes: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Xian to Guilin.

Flight to Guilin, you will be met by our guide and transferred to your hotel. Today's tours include the delightful **Fubo Hill**, and a visit to **Reed Flute Cave**, an underground cavern of exotic rock formations.

Day 9 (includes: Breakfast, Lunch)

Guilin to Yangshuo.

Li River Cruise.

Depart your hotel in the morning and take an hour drive to Zhujiang Dock, embark your ship and start cruising on the picturesque Li River with lime stone pinnacles, water buffalos, farms and villages on both sides of the river bank. Lunch will be served on board. Disembark your ship when arriving in **Yangshuo**, an ancient small town that is famous for its beautiful scenery.

Optional tour: we will try to arrange cormorant fishing tour. Price £15 (please note there is no set timetable for this show)

Day 10 (includes: Breakfast, Lunch)

Guilin to Shanghai

Close to the hotel, **Mulong Wharf** is the perfect place for travellers who fancy to have a refreshing walk and spend a bit private time themselves in this attractive city before we take a flight to Shanghai.

Day 11 (includes: Breakfast, Lunch)

Shanghai

Today our visit include **Yu Garden**, famous for its rock gardens, pavilions, halls and ponds. Sightseeing on the famous promenade along the **Huangpu River, the Bund, Nanjing Road**. Then we will go to **Xin Tian DI (Heaven on Earth)**, a conservation area of traditional low-rise homes, formerly the French quarter.

Day 12 (includes: Breakfast, Lunch)

Zhouzhuang / Shanghai

We take an hour and half drive to the **village of Zhouzhuang, 'the Venice of China'**, unspoiled for hundreds of years. There you have the opportunity to take winding through the village whilst being serenaded. Drive back to Shanghai in the evening.

Day 13 (includes: Breakfast)

Shanghai

We leave today free for you to explore the cosmopolitan city.

Day 14 (includes: Breakfast)

Shanghai to UK.



Departure Dates & Price (2006 & 2007)

Ref	Dates	Price SH (£)	Price HK (£)	Single Supp SH (£)	Land-only price (£)
MC1	Mar 19 (full)	1565	1860	300	1115
MC2	April 9, 16	1628	1993	350	1169
MC2	May 9, 14, 16, 23	1628	1993	350	1169
MC2	June 4, 13, 25	1628	1993	350	1169
MC3	July 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25, 30	1698	2063	350	1199
MC3	August 1, 13, 27	1698	2063	350	1199
MC3	September 3, 5, 12	1698	2063	350	1199
MC3	October 8, 17, 22	1698	2063	350	1199
MC1	November 5, 14	1628	1980	300	1169

Your Holiday Price Include

- Return international scheduled flights including airport tax from Heathrow. Departure can be arranged from other airports at a supplement between £30 to £70.
- All internal flights in China including airport tax.
- All airport/hotel transfers within Mainland China.
- Selections of top quality 4, 5 star hotel accommodation in well furnished rooms with private facilities.
- Sightseeing tours by professional English-speaking tour guide.
- Meals as specified in the itinerary.

Price Not Include

- Visa fee.
- Travel Insurance.