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# 10 Day Ancient China Experience

Excellent English Speaking
Tour Guide

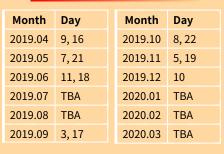
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Arrive on **Tuesdays** 

Tour Highlights:

Double Ancient Capital Cities
+ Four Cities of East China

#### 2019~2020 Departure Dates







★ Walk on the famous Juyongguan Great Wall to feel the history associated with this almost mystical landmark

★ Temple of Heaven,Ancient Chinese Ming and qing dynasties emperors, praying

# Xi'an



★ Providing visitors a modern and historical city

★ The Terra Cotta Warriors and Horses are the most significant archeological excavations of the 20th century.

★ Tang Dynasty Music & Dance Show is known as China's first antique music and dance

### Jiangnan



★ The perfect combination of prosperous city and peace countryside

★ Stroll in the Garden of Couple's Retreat-- a charm of Jiangnan water.

★ Admire the beauty of West Lake by taking a short cruise on it.

★ Immerse yourself in the bustling metropolis Shanghai.

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Prices in AUD per person								
Code	Adult	Child NO Bed	Child WITH Bed	Sgl Supp.	Compulsory Programs	Tipping		
EBXF	\$459	\$369	\$499	\$430	US\$130	US\$100		

\*Child fares apply to children 2 - 11 years old. Child without extra bed has to share room with 2 adults. Child without extra bed does include breakfast.

#### \*\*Compulsory Programs(pre-pay with tour fare and tips)

(Beijing) Juyongguan Great Wall  $\cdot$  Temple of Heaven

(Xi'an) Small Wild Goose Pagoda  $\cdot$  Xi'an Museum  $\cdot$  Tang Dynasty Music & Dance Show  $\cdot$  Qin Emperor's Mausoleum & Terra-cotta Warriors and Horses

(Wuxi) Three Kingdoms Film and Television City · Suzhou/Garden of Couple's Retreat · Hangzhou/Cruise West Lake

#### Day 1 Hometown → Beijing

Upon arriving at Beijing Capital International Airport (PEK), transfer to hotel. Free at leisure for the rest of the day.

(Free Pick-up Period: 9:00a.m.-midnight 1:30a. m.; passengers arriving adjacent within 2 hours will be picked up together; extra pick up fee: USD\$60 vehicle/transfer for 2-3pax, exclude

tour guide,

Local 5 ★ U Hotel Beijing or similar

#### Day 2 Beijing

After breakfast, take an outside view of "the National Grand Theater". Then visit "Tiananmen Square"-the biggest city central square in the world, the area of the square is about 44

hectares and it can accommodate 1 million people. Then explore the incredible "Forbidden City" (optonal items) with its best-preserved imperial palace complex. Visit famous "Temple of Heaven", Ancient Chinese Ming and qing dynasties emperors, praying. Lastly visit the Beijing TongRenTang Store. (B/L)

#### Day 3 Beijing - Xi'an

After breakfast, explore the "Juyongguan Great Wall", one of the 'Seven Wonders of the World'. On the way there, visit Jade Store first. After lunch, continue to take an outside view of "Bird's Nest" and "Water Cube", which are Olympic stadiums of 2008 Beijing Olympic Games. Then go on "a Pedicab Ride through the Hutongs" (optonal items). Visit the famous "Shichahai Bar Street" which is a famous scenic area, surrounded by places of historic interests,



scenic beauties, remnants of old-style Beijing residences and Hutongs. Then visit invigorant store (free foot massage). Watch "Acrobatics Show"(optonal items), At last visit the famous pedestrian shopping area -"Wangfujing Street". The snack street is a must-see, selling all the interesting snacks. You can easily find a place for your dinner here (self-charge). Take the soft sleeper train to Xi'an, overnight on train. (B/L)

Accommodation: Train

#### Day 4 Xi'an

Upon arriving, you will be picked up at the railway station. Start your visit from the "Ancient City Wall" which still compasses the centre of Xi'an. It is the most complete one that has survived in China, as well being one of the largest ancient military defensive systems in the world. Continue to visit the dramatic "Small Wild Goose Pagoda", famous Buddha's pagoda of Tang Dynasty. Then visit "Xi'an Museum", China's first national museum equipped with modern facilities. Dinner will be the century-old "De Fa Chang Dumplings", one of China's Intangible Cultural Heritage, the most famous dumplings' restaurant in China. At night, enjoy wonderful "Tang Dynasty Music & Dance Show". (B/L/D)

5 ★ Grand Noble Hotel Xi'an or similar

#### Day 5 Xi'an

After breakfast, visit the world-famous "Qin Emperor's Mausoleum & Terra-cotta Warriors and Horses", the most significant archeological excavations of the 20th century. The Terracotta Army is one of the top attractions in China, because of its historical significance and uniqueness. Continue to visit Artistic Ceramics Factory, learn about the techniques of making Tang San Cai and the terra cotta warriors. Then continue to visit the "Big Wild Goose Pagoda"(outside view)—a Buddhist pagoda located in southern Xi'an. Enjoy the "Music Conduit" beside the pagoda, which is the largest Music Conduit Square of Asia, experiencing the perfect combination of music and spring (except rainy or snowy days). (B/L) 5 🖈 Grand Noble Hotel Xi'an or similar

#### Day 6 Xi'an > Shanghai - Wuxi

Take an early flight to Shanghai airport, or take high speed train to Shanghai Hongqiao Railway Station. Transfer to Wuxi after lunch. Visit the "South The Strip" in Wuxi. South The Strip is a street in Wuxi, Jiangsu province is located in the city of Wuxi Liangxi central area. In the central city of Wuxi, the long and elegant southern The Strip is a tender heart. Kiyona bridge historic south in the The Strip, the Grande Canale river is a typical Jiangnan, known as the "Jiangnan Water alley, the canal to print", then visiting "Taihu" by car, After dinner, check-in the hotel. (B/L)

※Xi'an-Shanghai air ticket is not included, please book flight between 6.30am ~ 8am Local 5 ★ Wuxi Grand Park Hotel/Swiss-Belhotel Liyuan or similar

#### Day 7 Wuxi-Suzhou

After breakfast, visit "Wuxi Three Kingdoms Film and Television City" then visit the purple clay teapot and the Pearl Center. After lunch, travel by coach to Suzhou, an elegant city with canals, stone bridges, and meticulously designed gardens. Suzhou has been referred to as'Paradise on Earth' by Chinese poets and writers since ancient times. As a large area of the city is covered by water, including a vast number of ponds and streams, Suzhou is also known as 'Venice of the East'.It is also known as the 'Garden City' due to its many classical gardens, renowned for their charming natural beauty and harmonious construction.

Optional Program: Grand Canal Cruise-Take a cruise along the UNESCO World Heritage listed Grand Canal of over a thousand years to view life along what was known as 'China's golden waterway'in its heyday. (B/L)

Local 5 ★ Garden Metropark Hotel or similar

#### Day 8 Suzhou - Hangzhou

After breakfast, visit the "Garden of Couple's Retreat",three Park facing the river, through the side street, before and after a river port, silhouetted against the bridges, a charm of Jiangnan water. Then visit a silk spinning mill, and learn how silk is created from mulberrymunching silkworms to produce the finest thread and cloth. After lunch transfer to Hangzhou

Optional Program:Impression West Lake-This evening, enjoy an open-air performance. a masterpiece created by Zhang Yimou, acclaimed film and theatre director, and architect of the 2008 Beijing Summer Olympics Games Opening Ceremony. (B/L) Local 5 ★ Grand New Century Hotel Yuhang Hangzhou or similar

#### Day 9 Hangzhou - Shanghai

After breakfast, tour "West Lake" by boatthe most famous attraction in Hangzhou, it is one of the first national key scenic spots in China and one of the ten famous scenic spots in china. It is one of the main ornamental freshwater lakes in mainland China, Later appreciate Silk factory and check-into the hotel. Then experience tea-tasting at the Dragon Well Tea Plantation .After lunch, transfer back to Shanghai. Walk along "the Bund", a mile-long stretch along the Huangpu River. This area is the best place to capture the western influences of the old days. After that, visit the Jade shop . Then continue to the bustling shopping district-"Nanjing Road". Have dinner on your own at the pedestrian street., you may join an optional Huangpu River Cruise (at your own expense).

Optional Program: Huangpu River Cruise-As you cruise along the Huangpu River, you will get a glimpse of the history and spectacular view of cosmopolitan Shanghai. On one side of the river, there is The Bund, a landmark of Shanghai. Lining the boulevard of the waterfront are grandiose solid buildings of Western style dating back to the early 19th century. On the other side is the charming image of modern Shanghai. (B/L)

Local 5 ★ Crowne Plaza Shanghai Pudong waigaoqiao/Shanghai GuoMan Hotel or similar

#### Day 10 Shanghai → Hometown

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport for homebound flight. (B)

#### **Optional Programs**

#### --Beijing--

Forbidden City USD\$80/pax Acrobatics Show USD\$75/pax Beijing hutong USD\$80/pax Peking Duck Dinner USD\$40/pax The Golden Mask Dynasty USD\$75/pax

#### --Suzhou--

Grand Canal Cruise USD\$30/pax Hangzhou/Impression West Lake USD\$65/ pax, Shanghai/Huangpu River Cruise USD\$50/pax

#### **Inclusion**

- ★ Beijing-Xi'an soft sleeper train ticket
- ★ Deluxe hotels
- Luxury tour bus
- Meals indicated in itinerary
- **Excellent English Speaking tour guide**

#### **Exclusion**

- ☆ International Air Ticket, Airport Tax & Fuel
- Xi'an-Shanghai air ticket fare and tax (price is around USD\$150/PAX)

  ☆ Gratuities & Admission fee( must be collected
- China Visa fee
- ☆ Meals & Recommended Admission Fees which not mentioned in the itinerary
   ☆ Travel Insurance and personal expenses (e.g porter tips, phone bills, laundry bill etc.)

#### Remarks

If you want to take a flight from Beijing to Xi'an, please book the one which takes off between 7.30am-9am on Day04 at your own expenses. In this case you'll have to stay one more night in Beijing on Day03 and need extra transfers, which has balanced out the train ticket fare, so nothing will be refunded.
○ Tipping and compulsory programs fee are to be prepaid with tour fee at the time of reservation.
○ Attendance during the whole trip is required.
○ There are shopping excursions on this tour as per itinerary. However, there is no obligation to purchase anything. Visitors who are not very keen on shopping can treat this as culture learning experience. But travelers have duties to enter shopping stores as itinerary requested, otherwise USD\$100/pax/day should be charged for the absence.
○ We reserve the right to modify or cancel the tinerary subject to local conditions such as weather, political issues, riots etc.

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