

CHINA TOURS

14 DAYS CODE: ESYZ 2019

Beijing, Jinan, Tai'an, Hangzhou, Suzhou, Shanghai, Yangtze River Cruise

DAY 1 FRI

ΨP IF

Beijing Arrival

Your China holiday will begin with an international flight to Beijing. Upon arrival at Beijing Capital International Airport you will be met by your tour guide and transferred to your hotel to prepare for your tour tomorrow.

DAY 2 SAT

ΨP B

Beijing - Tiananmen Square, Forbidden City, Beijing

Today you may choose to explore the city of Beijing at your own pace. Alternatively, you can join a selection of optional tours with our experienced local guide.

Today's optional tours:

Tiananmen Square, Forbidden City- Set out with your trip leader to discover Beijing's imperial treasures. Stand in Tiananmen Square, one of the largest and grandest public plazas in the world before progressing on to the Forbidden City. Enter the imposing walls of the Forbidden City, once the exclusive domain of the Ming Dynasty, for an exclusive tour through this vast complex of courtyards and lanes.

Hutong Tour - Take a rickshaw tour of the traditional Hutong areas, famous for the old-style buildings, and time-honoured workshops. Enjoy a meal with a local family here before returning to your hotel.

DAY 3 SUN

ΨP B L D

Beijing - The Great Wall, Beijing

Today, you will travel into the rugged mountain landscapes north of the city to the magnificent Great

Wall of China. Once on top of this ancient defensive structure, you'll find that some sections are quite steep, but the views are magnificent, and the experience is truly unforgettable. You will then learn about Jade, China's most precious and celebrated stone, and its manufacturing process at the largest Jade factory in Beijing. Before returning to your hotel, experience the oriental foot massage at a traditional Chinese medical center where you will learn about alternative treatments for illness and have the chance to consult a Chinese Medical professional.

DAY 4 MON

ΨP B L

Beijing - Jinan-Tai'an, Daming Lake, Black Tiger Spring

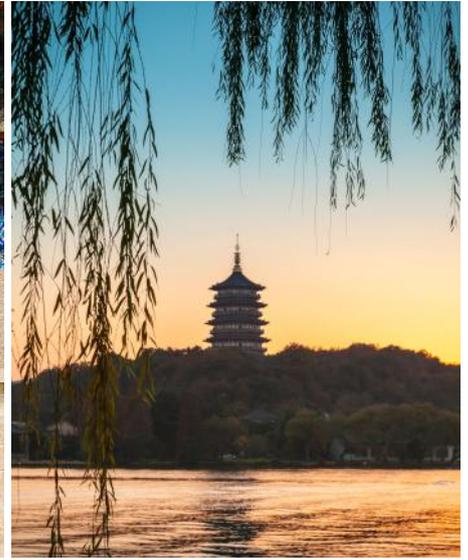
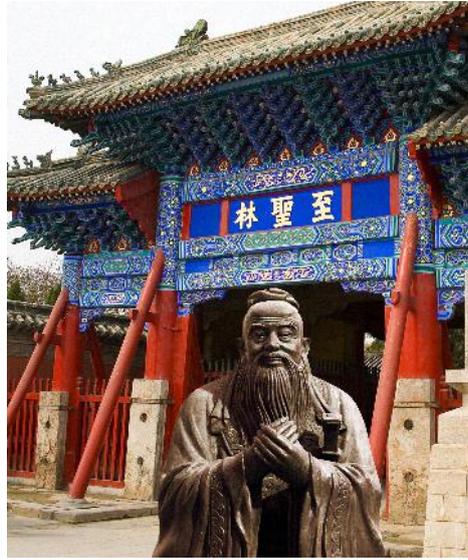
Take the bullet train to Jinan in the morning, upon arrival at Jinan city, you will be greeted by your tour guide and visit Daming Lake located in the center of Jinan City. The lake covers 81 hectares and therefore the lake retains a constant water level throughout the year and becomes a natural and cultural symbol of Jinan city. Then you will proceed to the Black Tiger Spring. According to the old myth, in the old days, there was a black rock in front of the cave. The rock was black in colour and resembled a tiger. The sound of the water rushed out from the rock resembled like that of a roaring tiger. The resemblance of the shape and sound is the reason to name the spring as Black Tiger Spring. Later this evening you will be transferred to Tai'an and check in for your hotel.



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DAY 5 TUE

Tai'an, Leisure Day

Today, you may enjoy a day of leisure, exploring the city at your own pace. Tai'an is host to a great number of historical and cultural sites. Alternatively, you can join a selection of optional tours with our experienced local guide.

Today's optional tour package

The Confucius Temple complex

Confucian Temple is located in the center of Qufu City, in order to commemorate the great philosopher Confucius, this temple was originally built as early as in 478BC, one year after Confucius death. The temple was built according to the specification for imperial palaces; it is one of the three greatest ancient building complexes in the country and holds an important position, and there is also one large statue of Confucius in China.

Confucius Feast

The Confucius Feast is an important part of the Chinese food culture and is used for appointments, birthdays, weddings. It is a delicious family meal that has been gradually developed over the past several hundred years.

The Feng Shan Sacrifice performance

The Feng Shan Sacrifice also called the emperors' sacrificial ceremonies, are a kind of religious ritual that was conducted by China's ancient emperors on Mount Tai. The performance's greatest feature is the use of 180-degree panoramas natural landscapes as the stage, using modern sound and light, electricity technology, choreography, and large-scale casts to interpret local culture, and the audience is immersed in the natural theatre.



DAY 6 WED

Tai'an - Hangzhou - West Lake, Tea Village

Today, you will be transferred to Hangzhou by bullet train in the early morning. You will embark on a tour of Hangzhou city - renowned for its beauty and abundance of cultural heritage. It is also the political, economic and cultural center of the Zhejiang Province and one of the most popular tourist destinations in China. You will then visit the West Lake area in Hangzhou, comprising of the West Lake and the surrounding hills, which have inspired famous poets, scholars and artists since the 9th Century. It is considered one of the most beautiful landscapes in China, and is home to numerous temples, pagodas, pavilions, gardens, causeways and artificial islands. While you're in the West Lake scenic area, visit to a tea plantation, here you will learn about tea picking and processing.



DAY 7 THU

Suzhou - Master of Nets Garden

Today, you will be transferred to Suzhou and explore the Master of the Nets Garden it is one of the finest gardens in China, and for which Suzhou is renowned. You will explore the garden and admire the effortless cohesion of art, nature, and architecture that has attracted thousands of visitors since 1140CE.

Today's optional tours:

After lunch, you will have the option to take a boat trip along the longest canal in the world - Suzhou's Grand Canal. Some sections date as far back as the 5th century BC and it is now a UNESCO World Heritage Site - there are many beautiful homes to admire along this impressive waterway.



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DAY 8 FRI

ΨP B L D

Suzhou to Shanghai - Nanjing walking district, The Bund

After breakfast, spend the morning perusing the most famous silk factory in China to understand the manufacturing processes of silk and its rich history in China before being transferred to Shanghai via bus. Upon arrival, you will visit the Nanjing walking district and discover the history and culture of Shanghai at the Shanghai Museum. You will then continue to the Bund by the Huangpu River, and witness the old meeting the modern side of the city.

Today's optional tours:

Enjoy an optional evening on the Huangpu River Cruise, allowing you to take in the famous sites of Shanghai including; the People's Hero Monument, the Bund, the Oriental Pearl TV Tower, the dramatic skyline of the Pu Dong business district, the bustling International Passenger Station of Shanghai Harbour, the docks and the Wu Song ancient gun fort relics.

DAY 9 SAT

ΨP B D

Shanghai - Yichang

Today, you will be transferred from Shanghai to Yichang by high-speed train. Upon arrival, you will board the Yangtze River Cruise ship and settle in before departure tomorrow. The expansive Yangtze River is the largest river in Asia and the third largest in the world. It is renowned not only for its impressive size, but also for the natural beauty of its surrounds. The river begins in the remote mountainous regions and winds its way through stunning gorges, lush and fertile regions and connects with numerous lakes and waterways.

DAY 10 SUN

ΨP B L D

Yangtze River Cruise

Start the morning with an exercise on board in the presence of the beautiful Gorges. Spend your day out on an optional excursion or relax on board the cruise ship. This evening you will return to the ship and attend the Captain's Welcome Banquet and enjoy the evening entertainment of a Chinese dancing ball.

Optional Activity: Excursion – Three Gorges Dam Site
The Three Gorges Dam Site is one of the largest construction projects undertaken by mankind and is the biggest hydropower project in the world.

Optional Activity: Excursion – Tribe of the Three Gorges
You may also want to visit the Tribe of the Three gorges, the only large scenic spot that has not been influenced by the Three Gorges Dam project, which showcases the abundant Ba Culture and Shu Culture.

DAY 11 MON

ΨP B L D

Yangtze River Cruise

Today, you may choose to embark on the exciting optional excursions or for a leisure day on board the ship. In the afternoon you will continue to cruise into the western section of Xiling gorge.

Optional Activity: Excursion – Lesser Three Gorges or Shennong Stream
Explore the Lesser Three Gorges or Shennong Stream, a shining pearl hidden in the remote mountains. You will leave your cruise ship and board smaller vessels to sail through the narrower and breathtaking Lesser Three gorges region or Shennong Stream, lined by sheer cliffs and mountains.

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Optional Activity: Excursion – White Emperor City
You may also choose the optional excursion to visit the White Emperor City, an ancient temple that is located atop Baidi Mountain on the northern bank of the Yangtze River in Fengjie County.

DAY 12 TUE

Yangtze River Cruise

Today you will pass through the mountains of Eastern Sichuan. Participate in the optional excursions or pamper yourself with a massage and make the most of the last full day on your ship. Tonight, enjoy the farewell dinner and pack your bags in preparation for disembarking tomorrow.

Optional Activity: Excursion – Fengdu Ghost City
Today's optional excursion is the Fengdu Ghost City to see why it's regarded as the "City of Ghosts." The temples built on Ming Mountain depict the instruments of punishment and demon paintings, demonstrating the Chinese people's imagination of hell.

Optional Activity: Excursion – Shibaozhai
Shibaozhai is a 12-story wooden pagoda built against the rock in the 18th century. It is located in Zhong County on the south bank of the Yangtze River. There are steles and inscriptions of past dynasties on each floor. Visitors may also appreciate the spectacular Yangtze River from the windows of each floor during climbing.

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DAY 13-14 WED-THU

Chongqing Departure

Today you will be transferred to Chongqing Airport for your scheduled flight home. We hope you enjoyed your journey to China with us!

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-  International Flight
-  Bullet Train
-  Coach
-  Yangtze River Cruise



* **NOTE:** Tour Itinerary is subject to change without prior notice based upon weather, traffic condition and other unforeseen occurrences.

TOUR INCLUSIONS

TOURS HIGHLIGHTS

Beijing

- Great Wall of China

Jinan & Tai'an

- Daming Lake
- Black Tiger Spring

Hangzhou

- West Lake
- Tea Village

Suzhou

- Master of Nets Garden

Shanghai

- Nanjing walking district
- The Bund

Yangtze River Cruise

TOUR PACKAGE

- English-speaking local guides
- Sightseeing and entry fees listed on itinerary
- Airlines taxes and surcharges
- Gratuities & Tipping for tour guides

ACCOMMODATION



12 Nights' Accommodation

- 1 Night in Beijing – Chunhuiyuan Resort or Similar
- 2 Nights in Beijing–Park Plaza Science Park Hotel or Similar
- 2 Nights in Tai'an - Four Points by Sheraton Tai'an or Similar
- 1 Night in Hangzhou -Hangzhou Holiday Inn Xiaoshanor Similar
- 1 Night in Suzhou - Suzhou Ramada Hotel High-Tech Zone or Similar
- 1 Nights in Shanghai –Shanghai koyal International Hotel
- 4 Nights on Cruise – Yangtze River Cruise Gold 6#

FLIGHTS

Return international flights (economy class) departure from MEL/SYD

Preferred Airline Partner

Sichuan Airlines, China Southern, Hainan Airline, Xiamen Airline, China Eastern

TRANSPORT

- Transportation by private A/C vehicles
- Roundtrip airport Transfer
- All domestic transportation

MEALS

- 12 breakfasts
- 8 lunches
- 6 dinners

TOUR EXCLUSIONS

- Visa fees and requirements (A visa for China is a strict requirement)
- Meals/beverages not stated in the itinerary
- Optional activities/tours
- Single Supplement
- Personal expenses
- Departure city surcharge
- Travel insurance (Highly Recommended)

ADDITIONAL PRICE INFORMATION

SINGLE ROOM

- Single Supplement AUD 650 pp

DEPARTURE CITY SURCHARGE

- AUD 350 pp departure from BNE/PER

VISA

- AUD 195 pp for China Visa

EXTENSION

Stay Behind

- Guilin Extension Package - 4 Days 3 Nights
- Hong Kong Hotel Extension Package - 4 Days 3 Nights
- Chengdu City Extension Package - 4 Days 3 Nights
- Xi'an Extension Package - 4 Days 3 Nights

Extra Hotel Nights

- AUD 150 per room per nights for China mainland city (subject to availability)

Early Arrival

- Not available

Return Date Change

- AUD 200 pp surcharge applied, subject to airline schedule

Return City Change

- AUD 200 pp surcharge applied, subject to airline schedule

Hong Kong Stopover

- AUD 500 pp surcharge applied, subject to airline schedule

INTERNATIONAL AIRLINE UPGRADE

Premium Economy

- Not Available

Business Class upgrade

- AUD 3,000 pp. (subject to availability)
- * Please note: upgrade is only applicable to the return international flight; no internal flight upgrades available.

OPTIONAL TOURS/ACTIVITIES

* Recommended

City	Optional Excursion	RMB	AUD
Beijing	Kung Fu Legend Show	¥220	\$45
	Summer Palace Tour	¥250	\$50
	Hutong Rickshaw Tour with meal	¥330	\$70
	Tiananmen Square & Forbidden City Tour	¥400	\$80
Shanghai	Huangpu River Cruise	¥250	\$50
	Acrobatics Show	¥350	\$70
	Jin Mao Building	¥175	\$35
Suzhou	Grand Canal Boat Tour	¥200	\$40
Cruise	* 3 Recommend Excursions Package	¥850	\$175
	VIP Dining Room Upgrade	¥300	\$60

* Please note: Optional tours/activities are subject to availability, time permitting and weather conditions some tours require minimum numbers to operate.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

GENERAL TOUR INFORMATION

Minimum group size 10, maximum group size 40 per vehicle.

VISAS

A Tourist Visa for China is a strict requirement. You will be able to start your Visa application process approximately 6-8 weeks prior to departure. Visa check list documentation upon request.

Important: Please start arranging your visa at least 6-8 weeks prior to departure to account for any delays due to consulate operating hours.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

Travel insurance (Highly Recommended)

We are proud to offer a range of travel insurance products - please ask your Travel Consultant for more information.

ACCOMMODATION

Single Traveler Supplement

- For solo travelers a mandatory single supplement applies.

Maximum Room Capacity

- 3 people (subject to availability).

Triple Share

- No discounts apply for 3rd travelling. Full price applies, subject to availability.

- * **Please note:** Triple shared room extra bed as roll away.

Bedding Configuration

- Double or twin bedding (subject to availability).

Adjoining / Interconnecting Rooms

- Not available.

CHILD POLICY

No child discounts applies for all children (2-11) travelling with their parents.

- * **Please note:** Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18-year-old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors allowed.

SCHEDULE OF FEES

Name Correction Due to Passenger Error

- If the incorrect name has been advised after ticket issued, charges of AUD 350 pp + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/other travel provider.

Tour Date Change Fee

- AUD 150 pp after reservation confirmed.
- AUD 350 pp plus after flight ticket issued, subject to flight availability.

Cancellation

- AUD 350 pp after reservation confirmed before ticket issued.
- Fully Non-refundable after ticket issued.

INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS

Seat Selection & Frequent Flyer Points

We do not arrange seat selection. It is important 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.

Full Service Airline(s) Used

Tianjin Airlines, Hainan Airlines, China Southern Airlines, China Eastern, Xiamen Airlines, Sichuan Airlines or Air China plus any code share partners (subject to availability).

- * **Please note:** One-way flights cannot be accommodated.

Travelers must take all included flights within the package, and any flights intentionally forfeited will result in later flights being subject to cancellation.

Stopover

When you purchased your group tour, we endeavor to find the best path to get you from your origin city (Sydney, Melbourne, Perth, Brisbane or Adelaide) to your destination. Most of the time, this means we need to go through a large hub airport to then connect with a domestic flight. We always seek to ensure the minimum amount of layover time that meets with the required transfer times set by the airlines and/or designated airports.

INTERNAL TRANSPORTATION

Internal flights

Domestic flights are based on economy class, with reputable airlines. Pre-flight seat allocation is not available on international and internal flight sectors.

Yangtze River Cruise

On your Yangtze River cruise ship, you will have a private bathroom and balcony. Please note that the cruise ship and all shore excursions arranged by the cruise are on a shared basis.

High Speed Trains

You will travel in second-class soft seat class with air conditioning.

- * **Please note:** On high speed trains, the train companies have implemented a policy which does not allow passengers to carry inflammable liquids including aerosols, styling gel, compressed air or insecticides; any explosives, magnetized material, knives, scissors or sharp items (medication is fine). Bag checks are conducted randomly and any of these items may be confiscated before boarding the train (in hand luggage or main luggage).

OTHERS

Fitness Level Required/Mobility:

Our vehicles are not equipped with wheel chair access, a basic level of fitness will be required. If you have any concerns please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.

Note: Flight & Tour Itinerary is subject to change without prior notice based upon weather, traffic condition and other unforeseen occurrences. Schedule activities will be adjusted accordingly, accommodation assistance can be provided to the above situation and we will inform you about the supplement in cost.

GUARANTEE & CONFIRM TRAVEL DATE

- Customers must have a valid passport with appropriate time remaining on the passport prior to the date confirmation and prior to travel.
- For travel more than 90 days from the date of reservation, the reservation form must be completed within 30 days of the reservation being made. All travelers must complete the reservation form with full names as shown on each traveler's passport and passport copies. Otherwise, SNA Tours may not be able to guarantee the selected travel date.
- The 30 Day Money Back Guarantee will not apply if travel is within 90 days from the date of reservation. In this instance, SNA Tours will only be able to offer a 7 Day Money Back Guarantee. For travel less than 90 days from the date of reservation, the reservation form must be completed within 7 days of the reservation being made. Otherwise, SNA Tours may not be able to guarantee the selected travel date.