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15 Days China Highlight Private Tour

- **Travel Route:** Beijing - Xian - Zhangjiajie - Shanghai
- **Features:** World Heritages, Karst Landscape, Avatar Mountains, Cityscape, History, Museum, Skyscrapers
- **Tour Type:** Private Customization
- **Guide & Driver:** English-speaking guide, experienced driver with an air-conditioned coach
- **Accommodations:** 14 nights at good 3/4-star hotels



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Brief Itinerary

Day 1 **Mar 28** Beijing Arrival | Airport Pick-up and Hotel Check-in, Nanluoguxiang, snack street

Day 2 **Mar 29** Beijing City Tour | Tian'anmen Square, Forbidden City, Jingshan Park, Summer Palace (B+L)

Day 3 **Mar 30** Beijing Great Wall Tour | Mutianyu Great Wall, 798 Art District (B+L)

Day 4 **Mar 31** Beijing City Tour | Temple of Heaven, Lama Temple, Liulichang Fortune Telling Street (B+L)

Day 5 **Apr 1** Beijing to Xian **by high speed train** | Train pick up Hotel check in, Huaqing Palace (Optional: Hot spring bath experience) (B)

Day 6 **Apr 2** Xian City Tour | Terracotta Warriors, Ancient City Wall, Grand Tang Dynasty Ever Bright City (Tang Dynasty Palace Dumpling Banquet with Songs and Dances) (B+L+D)

Day 7 **Apr 3** Xian to Zhangjiajie **by flight** | Muslim Quarter, Big Wild Goose Pagoda, Panjiayuan Market, Airport drop off Hotel check out (B+L)

Day 8 **Apr 4** Zhangjiajie Tour | From Zhangjiajie National Forest Park to Tianzi Mountain Nature Reserve; Bailong Elevator, Hallelujah Mountains, Tianzi Mountain (B+L)

Day 9 **Apr 5** Zhangjiajie Grand Canyon Tour | Zhangjiajie Grand Canyon Glass Bridge, Baofeng Lake (Tianmen Fox Fairy Show) (B+L)

Day 10 **Apr 6** Zhangjiajie to Shanghai **by flight** | Tianmenshan National Forest Park, Tianmenshan Cable Car, Tianmen Cave, Glass Walkway, Airport drop off Hotel check out (B+L)

Day 11 **Apr 7** Shanghai Day Tour | Zhujiajiao Water Town (boat tour), Yu Garden, Huxinting Tea Ceremony (Optional) (B+L)

Day 12 **Apr 8** Shanghai Day Tour | Shanghai Wild Animal Park (Giant Panda), Nanjing Road & The Bund Walking, Shanghai Tower (B+L)

Day 13 **Apr 9** Shanghai Day Tour | Jade Buddha Temple – with optional Buddhist ceremony or blessing, Tianzifang & Fortune Teller Street – with personal reading (B+L)

Day 14 **Apr 10** Shanghai to Beijing **by high speed train** | Pick up service, hotel check in, Free time on your own (B)

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Day 15 **Apr 11** Departure from Beijing | Airport see off Hotel check out **(B)**

Itinerary Day by Day

Day 1 Mar 28 Beijing Arrival | Airport Pick-up and Hotel Check-in, Nanluoguxiang, snack street

Nihao! Welcome to Beijing, the capital city of China! Upon your arrival at the airport in Beijing, the driver and guide will meet and greet you at the exit, and then escort you to **Nanluoguxiang**: located in Dongcheng District, Beijing, stretches from Gulou East Street in the north to Ping'an Avenue in the south. It is one of the best-preserved traditional residential areas in the core of Beijing's old city, formed during the Yuan Dynasty. Originally part of the Zhaohui and Jinggong wards of the Yuan capital, the existing hutongs retain the remnants of the Yuan Dynasty's li-fang system, with 16 hutongs symmetrically distributed on the east and west sides in a fishbone-like structure. During the Ming and Qing Dynasties, this area was a gathering place for the nobility. In the Ming Dynasty, it was called "Luoguoxiang" (Hunchback Alley), and during the Qianlong era of the Qing Dynasty, it was renamed Nanluoguxiang due to its topographical features. Many of its hutong names evolved from those of the Ming and Qing Dynasties; for example, Ju'er Hutong evolved from the Ming Dynasty's "Ju'er Hutong". Also you will have a leisure time on **snack street** to enjoy local special foods.

Then you will be transferred to the hotel in downtown Beijing to have a good rest.



Day 2 Mar 29 Beijing City Tour | Tian'anmen Square, Forbidden City, Jingshan Park, Summer Palace **(B+L)**

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Today you will spend the whole day exploring the ancient citadel of Beijing through China's famous landmarks, imperial grandeur, and royal gardens.

After breakfast, your guide will pick you up at your hotel and head to **Tiananmen Square**, the world's largest public square and symbol of China. It has witnessed many major events in China's history over the past decades, and from here you can take great photos of Tiananmen Gate, seen daily on CCTV News.

Walking across the square, you will visit the mighty and splendid **Forbidden City**, the world's largest palace complex and former home of 24 Chinese emperors. Listed as a UNESCO World Heritage site, the Forbidden City has about 500 years of history, serving as the political and ritual center of China during the Ming (1368-1644) and Qing (1644-1911) dynasties. With over 8,700 rooms, it is not only China's largest and best-preserved collection of ancient buildings, but also a city within a city, like the Vatican in Rome. Enter through the Meridian Gate and visit along the central axis to ensure you see all the highlights. Admire the brilliant architecture and numerous ancient treasures while listening to your guide share stories of the emperors who once lived here.

Later, take a 15-minute walk up to **Jingshan Park**, where you can enjoy magnificent panoramic views over modern Beijing and the Forbidden City's russet roofs.

In the afternoon, drive to the **Summer Palace**, the "Museum of Royal Gardens," once a summer retreat for royal families. The grounds, temples, gardens, pavilions, lakes, bridges, gate-towers, and corridors are marvels of landscape design. Take a leisurely stroll to appreciate the imperial architecture, hilltop views, and beautiful lakes, which offer a pastoral escape into the landscapes of traditional Chinese painting.

(Travel Note: Beijing's Forbidden City is closed on Mondays.)



Day 3 Mar 30 Beijing Great Wall Tour | Mutianyu Great Wall, 798 Art District(**B+L**)

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In this morning, you will head northwest of Beijing (about 1.5-2 hours' drive, 73km) to the **Great Wall at Mutianyu**. The Great Wall boasts a history over 2,000 years and stretches more than 3,000 miles across several provinces of northern China, making it one of the most impressive ancient masterpieces on the planet. Mutianyu Great Wall is connected with the Jiankou Great Wall in the west and the Gubeikou Great Wall in the east. Mutianyu is the longest and best fully-restored Great Wall with fewer tourists and is also famed for its 23 Ming-era watchtowers and stunning views. Take the cable car up to the 14th watchtower and then enjoy the memorable hiking time on the wall while visiting its western route. With the green pines and cypresses covering the surrounding area, and the winding wall standing majestically on the vast land, you will capture the most stunning natural scenery in this section. Challenge yourselves while climbing up to the 20th watchtower where you could fulfill your Great Wall dream. Cherish the chance and take photos as many as you like!

After the once-in-lifetime experience, head back to downtown Beijing to visit **798 Art District**: located in the Dashanzi area of Jiuxianqiao, Chaoyang District, Beijing, is one of China's largest cultural and creative industry clusters. Originally a military factory built in the 1950s, the area has been transformed into a hub for artist studios, galleries, design studios, and trendy shops. Renowned for its unique industrial architecture and vibrant art scene, the 798 Art District attracts a large number of domestic and international tourists and art enthusiasts.

After that, escort back to your hotel and have a good rest.



Day 4 Mar 31 Beijing City Tour | Temple of Heaven, Lama Temple, Liulichang Fortune Telling Street(**B+L**)

After breakfast, you will head to **Temple of Heaven** (World Heritage). Located in Beijing's Tiantan Park, the Temple of Heaven is much bigger than the Forbidden City and smaller than the Summer Palace. As a Taoist temple, the Temple of Heaven is also known for its rigorous symbolic layout, peculiar structure, and magnificent decoration. The Temple of Heaven used to be a place to offer

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sacrifice to Heaven by 22 Chinese emperors twice a year for good harvests. You can learn more about the grand praying ceremony there, as well as observe the amazing designs such as the **Echo Wall** and the **Triple Sound Stones**. Nowadays, it is also a park for local people to do morning exercise and you are welcome to join them.

you will visit **Lama Temple** (Yonghe Palace). The Lama Temple (Yonghe Temple), is also known as the "Palace of Peace and Harmony". It was the birthplace of both the Yongzheng Emperor (1678-1735) and the Qianlong Emperor (1736-1796) of the Qing Dynasty. As the biggest temple of Tibetan Buddhism is located in the heart of Beijing, there are three treasures for you to explore: the largest sandalwood Buddha in the world, the bronze Buddhas of past, present, and future, and the 500-Arhat-Hill.

Next you will head to **Liulichang Fortune Telling Street** to hang out to do some **optional activity**.



Day 5 Apr 1 Beijing to Xian by high speed train | Train pick up Hotel check in, Huaqing Palace (Optional: Hot spring bath experience) (B)

After breakfast, your guide and driver will pick you up at your hotel to drop you off at the train station to Xian. When your arrival in Xian, the driver and guide will pick you up and transfer you to **Huaqing Palace**: The hot springs at Huaqing Palace boast excellent water quality, maintaining a comfortable temperature year-round, offering both relaxation and therapeutic benefits, symbolizing imperial luxury and prestige. The heart of Huaqing Palace is Huaqing Pool, with its crystal-clear waters adorned with numerous antique-style sculptures and reliefs, transporting visitors back to the Tang Dynasty. The architectural style here blends the grandeur and magnificence of Tang Dynasty palaces, showcasing the prosperity of that era. Visitors can not only admire the beautiful natural scenery but also experience the architectural art of the Tang Dynasty and feel the weight of history. Besides Huaqing Pool, the palace complex, imperial gardens, and Wangyue Tower also attract

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numerous tourists. If you wish to experience the hot springs, please note that offers different pools; the fees will be borne by the guest on-site.

After that, transfer back to the hotel to have a good rest.



Day 6 Apr 2 Xian City Tour | Terracotta Warriors, Ancient City Wall, Grand Tang Dynasty Ever Bright City, (Tang Dynasty Palace Dumpling Banquet with Songs and Dances)(B+L+D)

After breakfast, Drive about 40km (about 1 hour) to uncover one of the greatest archaeological discoveries in the world - the **Terracotta Army Museum**, built by the first emperor of China, Qin Shihuang, to protect him in the afterlife. Around 8,000 vivid life-size **Terracotta Warriors** have been found so far. First, visit the largest and most imposing pit, believed to contain over 6,000 terracotta figures of soldiers and horses. You will be amazed by this subterranean life-size army of thousands standing silently to guard the emperor. Marvel also at the fabulous artistic skills of ancient Chinese artisans. Next, move to another pit where you can see around 1,300 warriors and horses. Examine the ancient army formation, including the kneeling and standing archers, the chariot war array, and numerous troopers holding weapons.

After lunch, head to visit the **Ancient City Wall**, also known as the Fortification of Xian, representing one of the oldest, largest, and best-preserved Chinese city walls. Spend time leisurely walking the wall and enjoying its inner and outer walls, watchtowers, and moat, taking in panoramic views of modern Xian, there.

As evening falls, visit the **Grand Tang Dynasty Ever Bright City** which showcases the life and times of the Tang Dynasty. The light show is decorated with structures, creating a vibrant and immersive atmosphere that transports you back to the times of the Tang Dynasty, providing a magical experience of walking through time.

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Evening show performance:

Tang Dynasty Palace Dumpling Banquet with Songs and Dances: Tangyue Palace Theater, located at No. 75 Chang'an Road, Xi'an, opened in 1988. It is an international opera and dance theater restaurant decorated in the style of the Tang Dynasty, capable of accommodating over 600 diners simultaneously. The theater's name derives from the dual meanings of "five tones and eight musical elements" and "a hall of joy" in the Tang Dynasty. Its core performance, "Empress Wu Zetian," unfolds the life of Wu Zetian through five acts, incorporating live classical orchestra accompaniment, Tang Dynasty costumes, and stage effects. The theater pioneered the combination of catering and performance, offering specialty dishes such as imperial banquets and dumpling banquets, and has hosted over 9,000 performances.



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Day 7 Apr 3 Xian to Zhangjiajie **by flight** | Muslim Quarter, Big Wild Goose Pagoda, Panjiayuan Market, Airport drop off Hotel check out(**B+L**)

This morning, it is highly recommended to explore the local life around the bustling and lively **Muslim Quarter** (Muslim Street). The Muslim Quarter, over 1,000 years old, is located just behind the Drum Tower, about 430 meters west of the Bell Tower in downtown Xian.

Then you will go to visit the **Giant Wild Goose Pagoda**, one of Xi'an's most recognizable landmarks and symbol of the magnificence of the Tang Dynasty. This seven-story pagoda standing in the tranquil Da Ci'en Temple is one of China's best examples of a Tang-style pagoda (squat rather than round). It was completed in AD 652 to house Buddhist sutras brought back from India by the monk Xuan Zang. His travels inspired one of the best-known works of Chinese literature, Journey to the West.

Finally you will have a chance to hangout in **Panjiayuan Market**.

After the tour, you will be escorted to airport for your flight to Zhangjiajie. Upon your arrival in Zhangjiajie, your driver and guide will meet you at the exit of the airport and escort you to your hotel.



Day 8 Apr 4 Zhangjiajie Tour | From Zhangjiajie National Forest Park to Tianzi Mountain Nature Reserve; Bailong Elevator, Hallelujah Mountains, Tianzi Mountain(**B+L**)

After breakfast, you will visit **Zhangjiajie National Forest Park** in Wulingyuan, where you will explore **Yuanjiajie** and behold the awe-inspiring **Hallelujah Mountains** (乾坤柱). Following lunch, you will be transferred to **Tianzi Mountain Nature Reserve** in Wulingyuan, where you will have the opportunity to explore **Tianzi Mountain** (天子山). Throughout the day, you will have ample time to immerse yourself in the breathtaking beauty of the **Wulingyuan Scenic Area**, a captivating haven of nature adorned with over 3,000 slender quartz sandstone pillars.

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In the morning, your first destination will be **Zhangjiajie National Forest Park**, which is **the first national forest park in China**. This park showcases a unique landform characterized by towering stone peaks in various shapes, abundant vegetation, and a majestic landscape. You will board a sightseeing bus to reach the **Bailong Elevator**, widely known as the **"World's No.1 Ladder"**. This elevator holds the **Guinness World Records** for being the tallest, fastest, and heaviest outdoor elevator for sightseeing. In just 66 seconds, you will ascend 326 meters from the valley bottom to the pinnacle of the pillar. Next, you will hike into a mysterious **Pandora World - Yuanjiajie (袁家界)**, the actual filming location of the movie "Avatar" and the renowned **Hallelujah Mountains (哈利路亚山)** in reality. Don't miss the chance to capture the **South Sky Pillar (南天一柱; Avatar Mountain)**, the **Floating Mountain (1,074m; 悬浮山)**, a towering vertical peak standing approximately 150 meters high from the deep valley, resembling a giant standing upright under the heavens. Take your time to walk along the **Yuanjiajie Scenic Trail**, which spans 3,500 meters and is built on the edge of a precipice. The trail is adorned with red prayer ribbons, and as you journey, you will be able to admire breathtaking natural wonders such as the **Backyard Garden (后花园)**, **Lost Soul Platform (迷魂台; The Best Natural Viewing Platform in Yuanjiajie)**, and the **First Bridge Under Heaven (天下第一桥, a natural stone bridge and the landmark of Yuanjiajie)**. While immersing yourself in the extraordinary beauty, you will also deepen your understanding of **Zhangjiajie's sandstone peaks and forest landform**. This unique landscape is the result of specific geological structures, tectonic movements, and external forces, making it an exceptionally rare and remarkable phenomenon.

Next, board the sightseeing bus to reach the second tourist site - **Tianzi Mountain Nature Reserve**, which derives its name from Xiang Dakun (**Xiang Tianzi**), the leader of the local **Tujia ethnic group** who referred to himself as **"Tianzi" (天子)**, meaning the Son of Heaven or the emperor in Chinese, during the early Ming Dynasty (1368-1644). **Tianzi Mountain (天子山)** is currently in the prime stage of its peak forest evolution and is renowned as the "King of Peaks". It gained fame as a fairyland in the popular Chinese TV Series - **Journey to The West**. Tianzi Mountain (1,262m) is well-known for its magnificent sunrise, the sea of clouds, red moon, winter snow, red leaves, and grand forest of peaks. You can proceed to **Dianjiangtai Platform (点将台)** to overlook the **West Sea Peaks Forest (西海峰林)**, where rugged rocks rise from the depths of a misty canyon. You will not like to miss a view of the **Imperial Writing Brush Peaks (御笔峰)** which are a row of six stone pillars, each standing approximately a hundred meters tall. They are arranged in a square shape, intricately connected, and exhibit varying thicknesses from top to bottom, resembling the shape of a pen. According to legend, it is believed to be the pen used by **Xiang Tianzi**. Afterward, hike to **He Long Park (贺龙公园)** to visit the bronze statue of Marshal He Long and his warhorse, as well as the **Tianzige Pavilion (天子阁)**. The **Tianzige Pavilion**, standing at 30 meters, offers a panoramic view of Tianzi Mountain, with its peaks and mountains stretching as far as the eye can see. The scene is truly spectacular. After the tour, return to your hotel for a well-deserved rest.

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Notes: If you are traveling during the peak season, your guide may consider reversing the itinerary to avoid the largest crowds of tourists.



Day 9 Apr 5 Zhangjiajie Grand Canyon Tour | Zhangjiajie Grand Canyon Glass Bridge, Baofeng Lake(Tianmen Fox Fairy Show)(B+L)

After breakfast, you will be transferred from Wulingyuan to **Zhangjiajie Grand Canyon**, which is approximately 56 km away and takes about 1.5 hours by car. There, you will have the opportunity to experience the breathtaking **Grand Canyon Glass Bridge**. Following that, enjoy a delicious lunch before proceeding to **Baofeng Lake** for a relaxing boat trip. In the late afternoon, you will be transferred back to Zhangjiajie City.

Well-known for its numerous waterfalls and fresh air in the valley, **Zhangjiajie Grand Canyon** is a must-visit scenic spot in Zhangjiajie, especially for photographers and adventurers. The **Glass Bridge** is the highlight of Zhangjiajie Grand Canyon, as it is **the world's longest and highest glass-bottomed bridge**, stretching between two dramatic cliffs. It spans 375 meters in length and stands 300 meters high. Designed by Israeli Haim Dotan Architects, the bridge is capable of accommodating up to 800 people at a time. It is entirely made of glass, with no steel structure. In the middle of the bridge, there is a **bungee jumping** platform, which is the highest in the world. Here, you can experience the thrill of **the highest bungee jump** and fulfill your dream of flying like Spider-Man (**bungee jump** fees are self-pay). Exploring the Glass Bridge typically takes about 1 hour. People from around the world are excited to take on the challenge of walking on the **Zhangjiajie Glass Bridge**. While walking on the bridge, you can look down through the crystal-clear base, which hovers above a lush forest and a mist-filled canyon. Standing on the transparent glass feels like floating in the air, offering a superb panoramic view of the entire **Grand Canyon**. Come and take the skywalk on the glass bridge to showcase your courage to the world!

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After you “tremble” on the glass bridge, move to the mirror-like **Baofeng Lake** to restore your inner peace. From the entrance, you will take a shuttle bus to reach the pier. Then, take a wooden **boat ride on Baofeng Lake**, a crystal-clear alpine lake. Spanning 2.5 kilometers in length, 200-1000 meters in width, and with an average depth of 72 meters, **Baofeng Lake** is nestled in a basin amidst the surrounding mountains. It is adorned with lush green trees and unique rock formations, creating an idyllic atmosphere for relaxation. As you leisurely cruise on the boat, you will be captivated by the reflections of the magnificent peaks in the water and serenaded by traditional folk songs performed by the **local minority people**.

After the tour, return to Zhangjiajie City, which is approximately 35 kilometers away and takes about 1 hour by car.

Evening show performance:

Tianmen Fox Fairy Show: also known as "Tianmen Fox Fairy: The New Legend of Liu Hai Chopping Wood," is a stunning outdoor performance and magical musical set against the backdrop of Zhangjiajie's natural landscape. It tells a poignant love story between a human and a fox fairy. Since its premiere on September 17, 2009, "Tianmen Fox Fairy" has been performed over 2,800 times, attracting more than 4 million tourists from over 60 countries and regions, earning it the reputation of "China's Broadway of Landscapes." Because the performance venue is close to the city center of Zhangjiajie, many tourists staying in the city choose to watch the show in the evenings.



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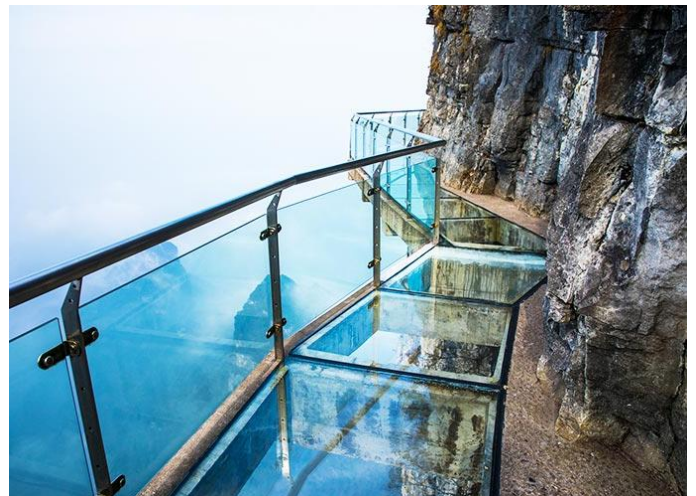
Day 10 Apr 6 Zhangjiajie to Shanghai by flight | Tianmenshan National Forest Park, Tianmenshan Cable Car, Tianmen Cave, Glass Walkway, Airport drop off Hotel check out(B+L)

After breakfast, your guide and driver will pick you up at your hotel lobby. Today, you will make a breathtaking visit to **Tianmen Mountain**, one of the world's most beautiful mountains. You won't miss the chance to experience the world's longest cable car, walk on the glass skywalk, and pay a visit Heaven's Door and view Avenue toward Heaven with 99 turns.

First, go to take the 30-minute cable car with 7,455 meters in length which means you'll travel from the city of Zhangjiajie to the top of Tianmen Mountain. From the cable car you will have a perfect view of Heaven's Door and a shocking look at the wandering Avenue toward Heaven. Next, move to **Tianmen Temple** where you can enjoy the typical Qing Dynasty styled Buddhist structure with verdant forest surrounding by.

Now, the challenge time is coming. Hold your breath to experience the scary walks on the cliff path hanging on the mountain. Walk on the **Glass Skywalk**, which is transparent glass 1430 meters above the bottomless valley, giving you a thrilling feeling like walking in the sky. Also, try the 1.6-kilometer-long **Cliff-Hanging Walkway**, built along the edges of the mountain's summits. Amazing, isn't it? After that, go down by escalator from the peak to Tianmen Cave which is also known as "Heaven's Door". **Tianmen Cave** is a natural arch between two peaks of a height of 131.5 meters, rising above the ground and closing to the sky with a lofty and towering posture. It is the highest hole of its sort in the world. (Note: Tianmen Mountain is the famous spot for Wingsuit Flying, you might have a chance to witness this unbelievable sport there.) After the memorable time, take the cable car down the mountain.

After the tour, you will be transferred to the airport to your next destination. When you arrive in Shanghai, the driver and guide will pick you up to the hotel in Shanghai to have a good rest.



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Day 11 Apr 7 Shanghai Day Tour | Zhujiajiao Water Town (boat tour), Yu Garden, Huxinting Tea Ceremony (Optional) (B+L)

After breakfast, you will meet your guide in the hotel lobby and prepare to drive away from the bustling city of Shanghai to the peaceful **Zhujiajiao Water Town**, located about 48 kilometers away.

Recognized as the most well-preserved ancient water town around Shanghai, **Zhujiajiao** presents the quintessential features of **Jiangnan's water village** - "ancient bridges, beautiful waterways, and traditional architecture" (小桥、流水、人家). It is often referred to as "**Shanghai's Venice**" and is listed as **one of the 50 most worthwhile places in China** for foreigners to visit. The tranquil and serene atmosphere of Zhujiajiao stands in vivid contrast to the hustle and bustle of Shanghai. Here, time seems to slow its hurried pace, and you'll feel as if you've stepped into an old-world China.

Zhujiajiao's historical roots stretch back over **1,700 years**, and its intricate network of canals once served as the lifeblood of trade. Small boats and barges once ferried goods through these canals, connecting communities and sustaining livelihoods. Today, the town still preserves many ancient bridges, temples, traditional houses, and historical relics. It has also attracted many artists to settle here, opening small **folk art galleries** that line the cobblestone streets, such as the Shanghai Handicraft Exhibition Hall, Quanhua Watercolor Art Gallery, and Shanghai Helong Art Gallery.

Your guide will lead you down these winding lanes as you take in the well-preserved **Ming and Qing Dynasty architectures**, traditional residences, and local shops selling handicrafts and snacks. Among **North Street** is the best-preserved ancient street in this town.

The town is spread across a **network of rivers and canals**, with numerous bridges linking different sections. You'll cross some of the town's 36 **stone bridges**, each with its unique design and history. The most famous among them is the **Fangsheng Bridge**, which is the largest stone arch bridge in Shanghai, adorned with intricate carvings and ornamental designs.

You will also visit a few gardens, such as the **Kezhi Garden** and **Hexin Garden**, where you can admire the beauty of traditional Chinese landscapes. The **Helong Art Museum** is another highlight, renowned for its extensive collection of works by Shanghai-style (Haipai) masters.

A rowing boat ride along the canals is a must-do activity in Zhujiajiao. As you glide through the water, you'll pass under historic stone bridges and by charming traditional houses with white walls and black-tiled roofs. The boat rides offer an opportunity for some great photography and a chance to see the town from a unique perspective.

Next, move to **Yu Garden**, the most celebrated classical Chinese garden hidden in the bustling downtown area of Shanghai, where you can appreciate the beauty of a Jiangnan water town ! **Yu Garden** was a private garden of the Ming Dynasty (1368-1644) with a history of **over 460 years**, was built in 1559 by **Pan Yunduan (潘允端)** for his father to enjoy his retired life. You will see the winding paths and changing scenery, the plants and ponds, the brick carvings, stone carvings, clay sculptures, and wood carvings in the garden, all designed with great craftsmanship. On the way to Yu Garden, you will pass by the **iconic Jiuqu Bridge (九曲桥 Nine-Bend Bridge/Zigzag Causeway)**

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and the **Huxin Pavilion** (湖心亭 Mid-lake Pavilion, built in the Qing Dynasty, 1616-1912). According to **Chinese Fengshui**, the zigzag causeway is designed to thwart spirits, who can only journey in straight lines. As you enter Yu Garden, you can explore various beautifully **crafted dragons** hidden in the buildings, count them, and learn more about the Chinese dragon totem from your guide.

Finally you will have a leisure time in **Huxinting Tea Ceremony** (Optional activity on site).



Day 12 Apr 8 Shanghai Day Tour | Shanghai Wild Animal Park (Giant Panda), Nanjing Road & The Bund Walking, Shanghai Tower (B+L)

After breakfast, your guide will greet you in the hotel lobby and accompany you to **Shanghai Wild Animal Park** which is China's first national-level wildlife park, home to more than 200 species of rare animals, making it an ideal place for urban dwellers to get close to nature.

After lunch, you can take a walk **from Nanjing Road to the Bund**, which is less than a 2 km walk. **Nanjing Road Pedestrian Street** is one of the iconic attractions of Shanghai, known as the "Number One Commercial Street in China". It serves as a window to Shanghai's openness to the world and a paradise for shoppers from both domestic and international locations. Nanjing Road is the perfect place to experience century-old Chinese time-honored shops. Walking from Nanjing Road East to the Bund, you will have the feeling of traveling back to the 1930s and 1940s. As the Top 1 Place to Visit on the Shanghai Bucket List, the Bund is the best spot to view the Oriental Pearl TV Tower (a symbol of Shanghai) and the three skyscrapers of Lujiazui. Located on the bank of the Huangpu River and renowned as "An Exhibition of International Buildings", the Bund is a collection of 52 buildings representing various international architectural styles. Since 1844 (Qing Dynasty), foreign banks, trading companies, clubs, and newspapers have gathered here, showcasing the former glory of the "Wall Street of the Far East" (远东华尔街).

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After the Bund tour, you will reach Jinling East Road to **board a public ferry** to cross the **Huangpu River**, transferring you from Old Shanghai Town to Lujiazui Financial District in Shanghai Pudong New Area. Then, you will take a walk to **the highest building in Shanghai** - the **Shanghai Tower**. It features a dramatic 120-degree twist from its base to its peak. Take the **world's fastest lifts** (traveling at 64km/h) to the "**Top of Shanghai Observatory**" located on the 118th floor, 546 meters above ground level. Here, you'll have the unparalleled opportunity to enjoy a **360-degree panoramic view** of modern Shanghai and also look down upon the **Oriental Pearl TV Tower** (a cultural landmark of Shanghai), **Jin Mao Tower** (a traditional Chinese pagoda-like structure with a modern style) and the **Shanghai World Financial Center** (the third tallest building in China and the fifth tallest in the world). From Shanghai Tower, you can also **get a bird's eye view of the Bund and the Nanjing Road** you had just visited before from another side of the Huangpu River.



Day 13 Apr 9 Shanghai Day Tour | Jade Buddha Temple – with optional Buddhist ceremony or blessing, Tianzifang & Fortune Teller Street – with personal reading(B+L)

Today is free easy day, the tour guide will accompany you to **Jade Buddha Temple** located at 170 Anyuan Road, Putuo District, Shanghai, was founded in 1882 (the eighth year of the Guangxu Emperor's reign) by Master Huigen of Mount Putuo. Master Huigen brought back five jade Buddha statues from Myanmar, two of which were kept in Shanghai for worship. Initially, they were housed in a thatched hut in Zhanghuabang, later moved to Jiangwan Town, and finally rebuilt as the Jade Buddha Temple at its current location. The temple has undergone several reconstructions, and its current architectural style is in the Song Dynasty style, exuding a strong traditional cultural atmosphere.

Then head to **Tianzifang** which is a historic alleyway located in Luwan District, Shanghai, was originally built in 1930 and named Zhichengfang. After renovation, Tianzifang has become a creative industry cluster brimming with artistic atmosphere, attracting numerous artists and

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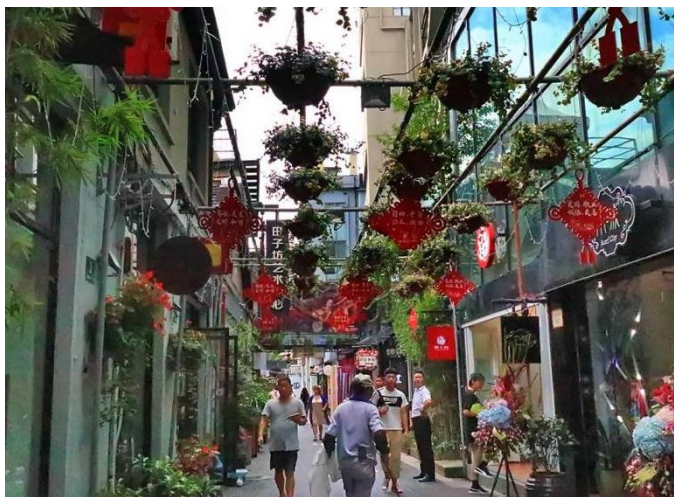
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designers. It boasts over 40 art and craft shops, as well as more than 20 studios and design workshops, making it one of Shanghai's fashion landmarks. Tianzifang not only preserves the traditional Shikumen architectural style but also integrates modern art and cultural elements, becoming a popular leisure destination for tourists and locals alike.



Day 14 Apr 10 Shanghai to Beijing by high speed train | Pick up service, hotel check in, Free time on your own(B)

After breakfast, you will have your free time to explore near your hotel until the driver and guide drop you off at the train station. When your arrival in Beijing, the tour guide and driver will pick you up to the hotel to have a good rest.



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Day 15 Apr 11 Departure from Beijing | Airport see off Hotel check out (B)

Then, it is time to conclude your **15-day** China tour. Your guide will accompany you to the airport or train station for your flight or high-speed train to your next destination.

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Private tour	Price for per person
Standard accommodations for an adult (3 star hotel)	2,540USD /person based on 12 members
Single Room Supplement	500USD
Comfortable accommodations for an adult (4 star hotel)	2,780USD /person based on 12 members
Single Room Supplement	670USD

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Qualified standard 3-star hotel list:

City/Places	Hotels	Room Category	No of nights
Beijing	Dong Fang Hotel or similar	Standard Room	05 Nights
Xian	Holiday Inn Express Xi'an Ancient Town West Hotel or similar	Superior Room	02 Nights
wulingyuan	Vienna International Hotel (Zhangjiajie National Forest Park Branch) or similar	Superior Room	02 Nights
Zhangjiajie	Metropolo Hotel ZhangJiaJie Tianmen Mountain or similar	Standard Room	01 Night
Shanghai	Liyi Hotel Shanghai Railway Station or simialr	Superior Room	04 Nights

Qualified comfortable 4-star hotel list:

City/Places	Hotels	Room Category	No of nights
Beijing	Beijing New World Center Tongpai Hotel or similar	Standard Room	05 Nights
Xian	Eastern House Hotel or similar	Elegant Room	02 Nights

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wulingyuan	National Scenic Spot Sunshine Resot Hotel or similar	Superior Room	02 Nights
Zhangjiajie	Home2 Suites By Hilton Zhangjiajie Tianmen Mountain or similar	Standard Room	01 Night
Shanghai	Tancheng Hotel Shanghai or simialr	Deluxe Room	04 Nights

Note:

1. This offer is valid for the booking before **10 Dec, 2025**. Prices may change after this date. We recommend you to book early.
2. This offer is for **12 members** traveling. Changes in number of persons may result in re-pricing. The quote we provide is only for you and your group members' personal use, but not for any third party agent.
3. In a half day tour, the visits are normally for four hours. In a full day tour, the visits are normally for six to eight hours.
4. The private transport is for your exclusive use.
5. We highly suggest that all travelers should be covered by Travel, medical, health and other types of insurance.

PRICE INCLUDES:

- ✓ Private professional **English-Speaking** local tour guide in each city
- ✓ Licensed Vehicle with experienced driver **21-seater**
- ✓ Entrance tickets to the sightseeing places listed in the itinerary including **Tang Dynasty Palace**
Dumpling Banquet with Songs and Dances, Tianmen Fox Fairy Show, boat tour.

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- ✓ Airport (or train station) pick up and drop off listed in the itinerary
- ✓ Accommodations for **14** nights listed in the itinerary
- ✓ Meals as listed in the itinerary, **B for breakfast, L for lunch, D for lunch**
- ✓ Tourists Accident/Casualty Insurance
- ✓ All taxes, fees and handling charges
- ✓ Lodging and meal allowance to the guide & driver
- ✓ 1 bottle of drinking water per person per day

✓ **Transportation:**

Date	City/Transportation type	Time	Seat type	Pax
Apr 1	Beijing to Xian by high speed train	09:55am - 14:05pm or similar	Second-class	12
Apr 3	Xian to Zhangjiajie by flight	20:25pm - 21:55pm or similar	Economical-class	12
Apr 6	Zhangjiajie to Shanghai by flight	20:35pm - 22:40pm or similar	Economical-class	12
Apr 10	Shanghai to Beijing by high speed train	11:00am - 15:31pm or similar	Second-class	12

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- ✗ Any airline or train tickets **not** listed in the itinerary
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- × **Personal expenses** such as laundry, drink, fax, telephone call, **optional tour activities**, etc.
 - × Any losses incurred from the force majeure factor like government control, natural disaster etc.
 - × Tips to the guide & driver
 - × **China visa**

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