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EX-005 Shanghai-Yichang-Yangtze River-Chongqing-Beijing (12 Days)

Day 1/Arrive in Shanghai

Arrive in Shanghai, known as "Paris in the East". Meet your guide at the airport and transfer to the hotel. (D)

Day 2/Shanghai

Visit **the Bund** in the morning, at the west shore of the Huangpu River, the splendid row of early 20th century Europe buildings remains the quintessential Shanghai sight. Pay a visit to **Yuyuan Garden**, a well-restored Suzhou-style garden, which was specially built for Pan's parents as a place to enjoy themselves a tranquil and happy time in their old age. The pavilions, halls, rockeries, ponds and cloisters are unique characteristic. And also take a walk through **Chenghuangmiao** (known as Yuyuan Garden Market) built in the fifteenth century during the Ming Dynasty. It filled with antique markets and specialty stores. Then, visit **Jade Buddha Temple**, built in 1882 to keep two jade Buddha statues which had been brought from Burma by a monk named Huigen. The two precious jade Buddha statues, one sitting Buddha and one Recumbent Buddha, are carved with whole white jade. Enjoy a fabulous **Acrobatic Show** in the evening. (B,L,D)

Day 3/Shanghai

Visit **EXPO 2010 site**. In 2010, Shanghai will host the biggest World Expo in the history of world expositions. Over 170 nations and at least 40 international organizations are expected to take part. By dedicating a 5.28-square-kilometer area at the core of the city to exhibitions, events and forums on the Expo theme, "Better City, Better Life", Shanghai hopes to build a powerful and lasting pilot example of sustainable and harmonious urban living. (B)

Day 4/Shanghai

Visit **EXPO 2010 site**. During the 184-day expo, tens of millions of visitors will inspect and appreciate the urban object images and scientific and technological elements in the huge exhibition area, stroll among the most advanced urban civilization on earth, and walk amidst the magnificent prospects of the present and future urban life. It will be not only a trip for people to look forward to, but also a grand assembly for human beings to create a wonderful future. (B)

Day 5/Shanghai-Yichang-Yangtze River Cruise

This morning, you will visit **Shanghai Museum**, a leading attraction of the city since it opened in 1994, containing some priceless collections of paintings, porcelains and bronzes. Then, move on to visit **Xujiahui Cathedral** (St. Ignatius Cathedral), Shanghai's great cathedral, opened by the Jesuits who'd had a church here as early as 1608 (today's structure dates to 1910). In the afternoon, fly to Yichang, lauded as the largest hydroelectric base in the world. Embark on your

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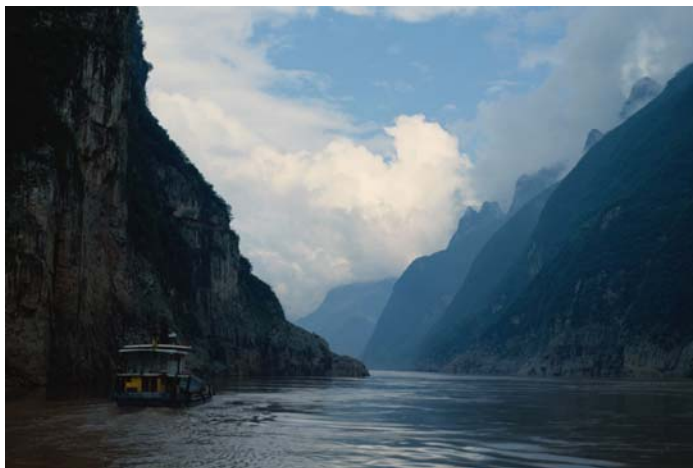
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Yangtze River Cruise in the evening. (B,D)

Cruise Ship:

**** Oriental Emperor: embark on every Monday night (depart Yichang pier on Tuesday morning)

***** New Century Sky: embark on every Thursday night (depart Yichang pier on Friday morning)



Day 6-8/Yangtze River Cruise

Yangtze River Cruise. (B,L,D)

Day 9/Yangtze River Cruise-Chongqing-Beijing

Yangtze River Cruise will end in Chongqing. Chongqing is situated in the upper reaches of Yangtze River at the confluence of Yangtze River and Jialing River in southwest of China. Visit **People's Hall**, an architectural symbol of Chongqing, designed in the traditional symmetrical and beautiful-proportioned style of Ming and Qing dynasties. Take an afternoon flight to Beijing, the capital of China. Transfer to hotel upon arrival. (B,L,D)

Day10/Beijing

Begin the day's activity with a visit to **Tian'anmen Square**, the largest urban square in the world. Tian'anmen was built in 1417 and served as the entrance gate to the Imperial Palace. Move on to visit the Imperial Palace, well-known as **Forbidden City** which is the large scale construction of the palace extended from 1406 to 1420. It was the imperial palace during the Ming and Qing dynasties. 24 emperors lived and ruled China from here. In the afternoon, visit **Temple of Heaven**, built in 1420 A.D., which was originally the platform to offer sacrifices to Heaven during Ming and Qing Dynasties. The buildings and parklands reflect an ancient Chinese thought of "the Heaven is round and the earth is square". Enjoy **Peking Duck** for Dinner. (B,L,D)

Day11/Beijing

Today's highlight is the visit to the **Great Wall**, one of the "Seven Wonders of the World" and a symbol of Chinese civilization. Then, drive to visit the statue-lined **Shenlu (Spirit Road)** leading to the Ming Tombs, here you can see some marvelous stone sculptures. The Ming Tombs area is for 13 deceased emperors of the Ming Dynasty. Visit the **Changling Tomb** which is the largest of the 13 as you can imagine it is quite impressive. On the way back to the hotel, stop at Olympic Park and outside view the National Stadium (**Bird's Nest, no entry**) and the National Aquatics Center (**Water Cube, no entry**), which are the main stadium of the 29th Olympiad in 2008. (B,L,D)

Day12/Depart from Beijing

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Transfer to the airport and prepare for boarding on your homebound flight. TOUR ENDS! (B)

Note: B-Breakfast L-Lunch D-Dinner

Yichang-Chongqing Upstream Itinerary:

Day 1: Depart Yichang (09:00am)

Day 2: Morning visit Three Gorges Dam Site, Sail through the Three Gorges Shiplocks & Xiling Gorge

Day 3: Excursion to Shennong Stream, Pass through Wu Gorge & Qutang Gorge

Day 4: Excursion to Fengdu Ghost City

Day 5: Arrive Chongqing (09:00am)

Please attention: The sightseeing during the Yangtze River Cruise is organized by the cruise company, depend on the water level, weather and so on, GWITA take no responsibility by this case.

Hotel (or the same standard):

Shanghai: A: *** New Asia Hotel Shanghai (3-star building)

B: **** Grand Mercure Baolong Hotel Shanghai

C: ***** Oriental Riverside Hotel Shanghai

Beijing: A: *** Beijing Dongfang Hotel

B: **** Grand Mercure Xidan Beijing

C: ***** Beijing International Hotel

Include:

- Twin sharing accommodation with buffet breakfast
- Domestic flight in economic flight and its airport tax: Shanghai-Yichang, Chongqing-Beijing
- Lunch and dinner as mentioned in the itinerary in good local restaurant. A glass of soft drink is included. (No guarantee lunch and dinner in the hotel which the clients stay overnight.)
- (first) Entrance fee mentioned above
- English speaking accompanying guide through out program on all days with excursions
- Fare for Acrobatic Show
- All Transfers specified in the itinerary
- Scheduled sightseeing by air-conditioned coach with guide service (No private guide for your group during Yangtze Cruise.)

Exclude:

- International & Domestic Flight and airport tax
- Tips, personal expenses
- Transfer for "day at leisure"
- Guide Service during the plane and train
- China Entry Visa

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- Cable-car of the Great Wall