

[Tour Code: CH-002-C]

Golden Line*Beijing, Xi'an, Guilin, Yangshuo, Shanghai, Suzhou (13 days)*

Day01 Arrive in Beijing Arrive in Beijing, the capital of China. Meet your guide upon arrival and be transferred to your comfortable hotel. (D)

Day02 Beijing Begin the day's activity with a visit to **Tian'anmen Square**, the largest urban square in the world. Then, move on to the Imperial Palace, also known as the "**Forbidden City**", the biggest palace complex in the world. In the afternoon, visit **Temple of Heaven**, the place where the emperors of Ming and Qing Dynasties worshipped heaven and prayed for good harvest. A **Peking Duck Dinner** concludes your first full day activities in China. (B-L-D)

Day03 Beijing Visit the enchanting **Summer Palace**, one of China's largest and best-preserved royal gardens, where you can have a walk along the famous Long Corridor. In the afternoon, visit the **Yonghe Lama Temple**, the biggest Tibetan Buddhist Lama Temple in Beijing, and the most renowned in China (outside Tibet itself). (B-L-D)

Day04 Beijing Today's highlight is an excursion to **the Great Wall**, one of the "Seven Wonders of the world" and a symbol of Chinese civilization. Just like a gigantic dragon, the Great Wall winds up and down across mountains. Then, visit the **Ming Tombs** area where is for deceased emperors of the Ming Dynasty. (B-L-D)

Day05 Beijing-Xi'an After a relaxed breakfast at hotel this morning, you will take a ride in rickshaw through some old "**Hutongs**", lanes or alleys formed by lines of Siheyuan (a compound with houses around a courtyard) where you will visit some family. Take a flight to Xi'an, visit **Forest of Steles Museum** where precious stone carvings and sculptures are kept. Enjoy a characteristic **dumpling dinner** at a local restaurant.



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Day06 Xi'an Begin the day's activity with an once-in-a-lifetime viewing of the extraordinary 2,200-year-old **Terracotta Warriors** of China's first feudal Emperor, Qin Shihuang. On your way back to the city, stop at a mountain village and meet local residents. After lunch, you will visit to **Big Wild Goose Pagoda** which was built in 652 A.D. It contains a large volume of Buddhist scriptures which were obtained from India by the eminent monk of Xuanzang. (B-L-D)

Day07 Xi'an-Guilin Take a morning flight to Guilin, one of China's top attractive destinations. Pay a visit **Fubo Hill** for a panoramic view of Guilin and **Seven Star Park**, named after the tale that the Seven Peaks of Mountain Qixing (Seven Star) were the seven stars in the north sky falling down to the earth. (B-L-D)



Day08 Guilin-Yangshuo-Guilin Today's highlight is cruising down the **Li River**, which stretches 83 kilometers from Guilin to Yangshuo. The cruise will give you a chance to savor the lovely view of the area's extraordinary limestone peaks. The cruise ends in Yangshuo. Visit **local markets**. Yangshuo is a charming small town with its main street lined with small hotels, countless souvenir shops and restaurants. Then, drive back to Guilin. (B-L-D)

Day09 Guilin-Shanghai-Suzhou In the morning, fly to Shanghai, the bustling commercial heart of China, known as "Paris of the East". And be transferred to Suzhou upon arrival. Founded in 514BC, Suzhou is known as the "Venice of the East". It was so named by early travelers because the town was built around a network of canals and 300 bridges. On the way, you will visit **Luozhi Village**. This charming village is set in a lovely environment and maintains a traditional atmosphere with many classical buildings and bridges over streams and canals. (B-L-D)

Day10 Suzhou You will begin the day with a visit to **Lingering Garden** and **Garden of the Master of the Nets**. Lingering Garden is renowned for the artistic way in which the spaces between various kinds of architectural forms are dealt with. Garden of the Master of the Nets, the smallest of the Suzhou residential gardens, is the most impressive because of its use of space which creates the illusion of an area that is much greater than its actual size. You will also visit **Suzhou Silk Museum** to see how the world's most beautiful silk is produced. Enjoy a **boat ride on the Grand Canal** reveals the traditional way of life for the people who have lived here for generations. (B-L-D)



Day11 Suzhou-Shanghai Drive back to Shanghai, visit **the Bund**, at the west shore of the Huangpu River, the Oriental Pearl TV Tower and the Jin Mao Tower can be seen on the opposite side. The splendid row of early 20th century Europe buildings remains the quintessential Shanghai sight. Then, visit fascinating **Yuyuan Garden**, a well-restored Suzhou-style garden, and take a walk through the Old Town filled with antique markets and specialty stores. Enjoy a fabulous **Acrobatic Show** in the evening. (B-L-D)



(Nanjing Road)

Day12 Shanghai This morning you will visit marvelous **Shanghai Museum**, a leading attraction of the city since it opened in 1994, containing some priceless collections of paintings, porcelains and bronzes. Move on to check out the **St. Ignatius Cathedral** (Xujiahui Cathedral) built in 1846. Wander around the former French Concession represented by the leafy **Fuxing Park** and the architecture in the area. Then pay a visit to the **Jade Buddha Temple** where two rare jade statues of Sakyamuni Buddha are treasured. You will have some free time in the afternoon to explore the city. (B-L-D)

Day13 Return from Shanghai Be transferred to the airport and prepare for boarding on your homebound flight. (B)

Price for 4-star hotel:

2007	≥10pax	Single Supplement	6-9pax	Single Supplement	2-5pax	Single Supplement
High Season	1203	372	1544	472	1842	472
Shoulder Season	1145	314	1484	412	1782	412
Low Season	1081	250	1436	364	1734	364
Note	1) We will arrange a national guide for the group over 10 pax, the cost is USD1238. 2) If the group is over 16 pax, the cost of the 16 th pax is USD869.					

Price for 3-star hotel:

2007	≥10pax	Single Supplement	6-9pax	Single Supplement	2-5pax	Single Supplement
High Season	1100	272	1401	330	1700	330
Shoulder Season	1078	250	1385	314	1684	314
Low Season	1056	228	1357	286	1656	286
Note	1) We will arrange a national guide for the group over 10 pax, the cost is USD1218. 2) If the group is over 16 pax, the cost of the 16 th pax is USD868.					