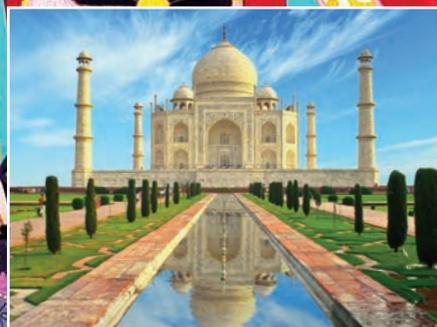


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OUR AWARD-WINNING COLLECTION OF ESCORTED TOURS AND TAILORMADE HOLIDAYS

The winner of 'Best Specialist Tour Operator' 14 years running – Globe Travel Awards

The most prestigious accolade in the travel industry

# WELCOME TO THE WORLD OF WENDY WU TOURS

Come and join us on an extraordinary adventure on one of our experience-packed tours. As every traveller is different, we've developed a range of touring styles that will allow you to travel your way. Discover the best option for you here:

## CLASSIC

See the classic sights in the company of an expert guide so that you can really understand the history and culture of the destination. On our Classic tours we take care of everything, leaving you to sit back and enjoy the experience to the full. These tours are fully inclusive of all meals and a comprehensive touring programme including authentic cultural experiences.

## GO BEYOND

Venture off the beaten track to explore fascinating destinations away from the tourist trail. With smaller group sizes and greater flexibility, you will discover the local culture in depth and see sights rarely witnessed by other travellers. Our Go Beyond tours may take you away from the comforts of home but will reward you with the experiences of a lifetime.

## SOLO TRAVELLERS

We have reserved selected departures of some of our most popular tours exclusively for customers who prefer to share their wonderful holiday experiences with a readymade group of like-minded solo travellers. We provide a room of your own with no single supplement to pay, while our expert guides take care of you throughout the tour. Look out for the purple highlighted solo departures and see page 6 for more details.

## TAILORMADE

For the ultimate in bespoke touring, one of our expert consultants will help you in designing a tour to meet your exact requirements. Select your choice of destinations, accommodation, touring and experiences to create the perfect holiday for you.

## SPECIAL GROUPS

If you're travelling with ten or more other passengers, we can arrange your own, independent Special Group tour. Whether that's a group of friends and family, or even a club or association, we'll tailor any of our tours to suit your group's wishes so you can enjoy a unique, fully escorted holiday without the hassle of organising everything yourself. For more information email Glen Thomas - Head of Special Groups @ [Glen.Thomas@wendywutours.co.uk](mailto:Glen.Thomas@wendywutours.co.uk)



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# THE WENDY WU TOURS DIFFERENCE

## OUR REPUTATION AND YOUR PEACE OF MIND

We have won our industry's 'Best Long Haul Specialist Tour Operator' award for 14 years running, we have a 5-star TripAdvisor rating, a Gold Award Feefo Accreditation and 98% of our customers would recommend travelling with us!

## OUR EXPERTISE

No one knows our destinations like we do, and we are passionate about sharing the best of them with you, so there is no one better to recommend the very best tours and experiences for your holiday.

## OUTSTANDING GUIDES

Our much-loved National Escorts, whose knowledge and dedication have won us the best reputation in the industry, will make your holiday with us truly extraordinary.

## EXCEPTIONAL VALUE AND INCLUSIONS

Accommodation, meals, touring, trains, cruises, evening shows, amazing guides ... we include it all.

Welcome to our brand new brochure! It is packed full of the carefully crafted tours, each designed to make your trip truly unforgettable, so you can return home with a wealth of wonderful memories and eventful travel tales to share.

Travelling with us on one of our group holidays, you'll embark on a journey packed full of iconic sights, hidden gems and exceptional experiences.

We aim to not only showcase the very best of a country but to fully immerse our travellers in the local life, vibrant culture and timeless history too, for a well-rounded overview of what makes each and every country unique and magical.

But you don't have to take our word for it, we've received plenty of awards over the years from our own industry for doing just this, including 'Best Long Haul Specialist Tour Operator' at the UK's prestigious Globe Travel Awards for 14 years running. Even more important to us are our five-star Trip Advisor rating, a Gold Award Feefo Accreditation, and the fact that 98% of our customers would recommend travelling with us again – what greater accolade could you ask for?

We like to think that we're perfecting the escorted touring formula, combining our in-house knowledge and love of our destinations, with exceptional guiding (our National Escorts have quite the fan club!), full inclusions (yes – all your food, accommodation, transport and guiding are included) and authentic experiences that really help our travellers get to know the land they are exploring.

We look forward to welcoming you on a Wendy Wu Tour soon.



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Wendy Wu – Owner, Wendy Wu Tours

## COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

We hand-pick comfortable hotels in great locations, have a 'seat and a half' policy on our coaches and include all meals on our Classic tours, so you can relax and enjoy your holiday with us, knowing everything is taken care of.

## AMAZING TOURS & AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

On tour with us, you will be immersed in culture and history through experiences such as meeting local families, learning ancient traditions and watching cultural shows. We also include delicious local meals in each region. Look out for the 'Authentic Experiences' box on each tour page!

## OUR ONLY GOAL

We are only satisfied when you come back to travel with us again and again – only then do we know that we've done a good job of serving you.

## TIPPING MADE EASY

We will advise you how much and when to tip and our National Escort will take care of it on your behalf.



# YOUR TOUR, YOUR WAY

We want everyone who travels with us to enjoy each extraordinary day of their Wendy Wu adventure, so we've made it easy for you to choose your perfect holiday. You can select based on Tour Style (which you'll find inside the front cover), by Physical Rating (see opposite page) and if you're travelling solo why not join one of our departures reserved exclusively for Solo Travellers?

## ACCOMMODATION STYLES

You can be safe in the knowledge that your accommodation has been hand-picked to best suit the locations you'll visit. Our Classic tours feature comfortable, locally rated 3-4 star properties, ranging from smart business hotels to family-run guesthouses.

## GETTING AROUND

The majority of your daily travels will be by air conditioned coach on our group tours for city sightseeing, short excursions to the countryside and longer transfers where necessary and you'll enjoy a seat and a half of space to stretch out in. You'll also enjoy relaxing river cruises and fun local curios like cyclos and rickshaws. For longer journeys you may find yourself flying or enjoying a relaxing rail journey.

## SOLO DEPARTURES

Solo travellers are more than welcome on any of our holidays, but we've reserved a few departures of our most popular tours exclusively for customers travelling on their own. These special departures feature smaller group sizes, free airport lounges and complimentary cocktails on arrival! just look out for the purple highlighted departures in the tour prices boxes to find your dedicated solo departures.

Dedicated solos departure

## CUSTOMISE YOUR TRIP

If you'd like to explore your destination further or arrange a stopover on your flight all you have to do is ask! We have a fantastic range of extension and stopover packages (see page 72) or, if you're looking for something a bit different, our knowledgeable team of experts can help you customise your very own extension to any tour in this brochure.



## PHYSICAL RATING

All our tours feature a physical rating to help you select the right holiday for you. Every tour requires the ability to walk around sights unaided, while tours with higher physical ratings may involve longer walks, cycling, or other physical activities. Tours that traverse rough terrain, visit remote areas, or go to high altitudes will also have higher physical ratings. For more information on why each tour has been rated the way it has, please refer to the Tour Dossier (or 'Detailed Itinerary') available for download on the tour pages of our website.



### LEVEL 1

A reasonable level of fitness is required. Expect to be on your feet for most of the day walking around sights, often including steps and getting on and off coaches, trains, or boats. Occasional longer walks may be included.



### LEVEL 2

A moderate level of fitness is required. You will be on your feet for most of the day, with longer walks that include ascents and descents on steps or uneven paths. Travelling conditions may be more challenging in some areas.



### LEVEL 3

A good level of fitness is required. You need to be comfortable walking long distances and for extended durations. The tour may also include activities such as cycling and hiking and visit some remote areas with basic infrastructure.



### LEVEL 4

A high level of fitness and a strong spirit of adventure are required. These tours are full of activity and often visit remote areas with basic infrastructure. Expect to be on your feet and active for much of the day, with some long travelling days.

As the physical demands of each tour are different, we recommend you check your Tour Dossier (or 'Detailed Itinerary') carefully before booking and contact us or your agent if you're unsure.

# You're in safe hands

Our guides are the stars of the show; it is their unrivalled knowledge, passion and expertise that will transform your tour experience from good to truly extraordinary!



"My husband and I did the two week 'Glories of China' trip recently, and our National Escort was exceptional. We had him with us for the whole two weeks, and he helped to make it the trip of a lifetime for us. By the end of our holiday he really felt more like a friend than a guide."

*Catherine Prior*

## AWARD-WINNING GUIDING

On all of our group tours you will be accompanied by a dedicated guide, known as your 'National Escort'. Their dedication, personality and sense of fun will immediately put you at ease and make you feel part of the family.

You will be able to put your utmost trust in your guide who will navigate you through the eccentricities of the local way of life.

## OUR NATIONAL ESCORTS

- ✔ Are experienced and qualified in guiding tours
- ✔ Are fluent in English
- ✔ Have expert knowledge of the country you are touring
- ✔ Benefit from rigorous training programmes
- ✔ Are on hand to look after you every step of the way



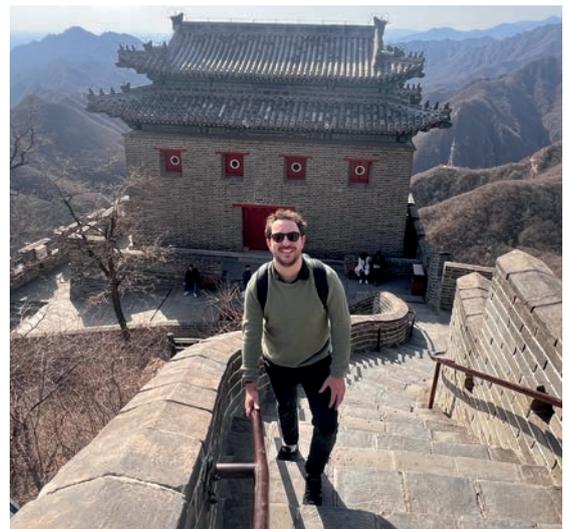
# Award-winning expertise

We are so proud of the numerous awards we've received over the years in recognition of the extraordinary travel experience we provide to our customers. We're just doing what we do best – creating memories to cherish and providing exceptional levels of customer service.



## Recommended by you

Awards are all well and good but it's our customer feedback that means the most to us. We're proud to be the holder of a feefo Gold Trusted Service Award. Taken only from genuine customer feedback, independently verified by Feefo, only the businesses providing the best experience for their customers make the grade. That's all the accolade we need.



## Our Price Promise

If you find any of our tours cheaper elsewhere, we'll match the price!

### UNBEATABLE VALUE

Our tours are renowned for their comprehensive inclusions and exceptional value for money. We're so confident you won't find the same tour at a better price that if you do, we'll not only match it, but we'll also offer you a discount of \$200 per person on a future booking.

### 100% NO SURCHARGE PROMISE

Once you've paid, you've paid! As soon as we confirm your booking you can relax knowing the holiday price won't increase and you'll never have to pay extra for currency fluctuations and surcharges, etc.

### WE WON'T BE BEATEN ON PRICE

If you find a Wendy Wu tour being sold elsewhere for less than our published price, let us know and we'll match the price you've been quoted.

# Cultural Encounters, every step of the way

To make sure you truly immerse yourself in your chosen destination we pack every single one of our tours with authentic cultural experiences. We've highlighted our favourite ones on each tour page in the 'Authentic Experiences' box; but for now, here are just a few examples of what you can look forward to...



## TEA CEREMONY

A perfect display of Japanese culture, witness the preparation and performance involved in the 'Way of Tea'. Enjoy this experience on almost all Japan tours.



## HUTONGS TOUR

Explore Beijing's atmospheric hutongs on foot, venturing down the old alleyways to reach one of the traditional houses, where you will be welcomed by a family into their home.



## SHIMLA TOY TRAIN

Take a trip on India's famous Toy Train along one of the most scenic routes, winding its way slowly through forests and mountains, offering spectacular panoramic views over the surrounding area.

## ASIAN COOKERY CLASSES

Get an authentic taste of Southeast Asia in a hands-on cookery class. Master the art of a Thai or Vietnamese dish, and be sure to note down the recipe for later!



## KALARIPAYATTU MARTIAL ARTS

Native to the southern state of Kerala, Kalaripayattu, at 6,000 years old, is one of the world's oldest traditions. Watch a demonstration of this fascinating martial art, practised by warriors from across castes and religions.



## WASHI PAPER MAKING

Learn about this traditional process before getting your hands dirty making 'washi' (Japanese paper) the age-old way for yourself! Enjoy this experience on Discover Japan and Japan Uncovered.



## SEE HOI AN GLOW

Wander the delightful streets of Hoi An's traditional Old Town, with its ochre-coloured buildings, old-world temples and historic merchant houses. Come sunset, watch in wonder as Hoi An's world-famous lanterns flicker into life, evoking the feel of a bygone age.





# CLASSIC TOURS

For those looking for a fully escorted, fully-inclusive group journey

Meticulously designed journeys perfect for those who want to see iconic sights and magnificent treasures on a fully-inclusive tour that is also fantastic value! With all your arrangements taken care of you can travel with the utmost ease and confidence, accompanied throughout by one of our industry-leading National Escorts.

## WHAT'S INCLUDED

- 3-4 star accommodation
- All meals
- All transportation in destination
- All entrance fees, guides and daily tours

## EVERYTHING TAKEN CARE OF

With a Classic Tour all your arrangements are taken care of – all your accommodation, transfers, touring, meals, experiences, entrance fees and evening entertainment too! So, all you have to do is show up, explore and enjoy, sharing the experience with a group of up to 28 travellers. Solo departures have a maximum group size of 18 passengers.

## ALL YOUR MEALS ARE INCLUDED

Whilst breakfasts tend to be a mixture of local eats and familiar dishes from home, when it comes to lunch and dinner, you'll be dining in local establishments. We include a few 'feature meals', so you get to taste the signature dishes of the region, whilst the rest of the time you'll eat a whole, delicious range of your destination's top dishes.

## NATIONAL ESCORTS

You can be safe in the knowledge that throughout your tour you'll be in the company of one of our award-winning National Escorts. With their unparalleled knowledge, charisma and talent, these wonderful people are what can push your holiday from fantastic into the realms of truly unforgettable.

## AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

Thanks to the extensive expertise of our team, we can make sure you get to see those rarely visited places that will give you a more authentic experience of the culture of the region and the chance to meet the friendly local people. Keep an eye out for the 'Authentic Experiences' box on every tour page, for a taste of cultural encounters that you will enjoy.



# Discover Japan with Wendy Wu Tours

Japan is an archipelago packed with futuristic cities, imperial heritage and unique culture. Add in epic natural beauty and phenomenal cuisine, and you have a dream destination just waiting to be explored.

## WENDY'S TOP 8 JAPAN SIGHTS

### 1 MOUNT FUJI

With its perfectly proportioned cone, Mount Fuji is Japan's most iconic sight, so we include it on all of our Japan tours.



### 2 HIROSHIMA

The city of Hiroshima is a modern, vibrant place, despite the horrors of its past. Visit the moving Peace Memorial Park to reflect on past events on several of our Japan tours.



### 3 KYOTO

Kyoto is Japan's ancient capital and cultural hub, packed with enchanting sights, 17 of which are UNESCO World Heritage-listed. Kyoto features on all our Japan itineraries.



### 4 NARA

A city famous for its bowing deer and being the birthplace of Japanese culture, how could we leave that off the list? Visit Nara on several of our Japan tours.



### 5 KOYASAN

A holy mountain dotted with monasteries, the wonderfully atmospheric and tranquil Koyasan features on several of our Japan tours.



### 6 TOKYO

A big, bright and brash city, Japan's capital perfectly epitomises the clash of modern and traditional influences that is the Japan of today. Tokyo, of course, features on all Japan tours.



### 7 SNOW MONKEYS

The Japanese macaques are a delight to watch as they bathe in natural hot pools close to the alpine town of Yudanaka. Many of our tours now include a visit to see the snow monkeys.



### 8 HIMEJI CASTLE

Nicknamed the 'White Heron', striking Himeji Castle is Japan's largest and best preserved piece of feudal architecture, and is visited on many of our tours.



# A WEEK IN JAPAN

7 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$5,270

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Stroll through vibrant Tokyo
- ✓ Admire beautiful Mount Fuji
- ✓ Discover Kyoto's temples
- ✓ Explore historic Nara
- ✓ Journey on the bullet train
- ✓ Experience a sacred tea ceremony



Admire majestic Mount Fuji

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 6 breakfasts, 5 lunches & 6 dinners
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Explore the ancient art of calligraphy

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ With traditional brushes, ink and paper, try your hand at the beautiful art of calligraphy, an important aspect of Japanese culture since its introduction from China in the 6th century.
- ▶ Experience the perfect display of Japanese culture as you witness the preparation and performance involved in the 'Way of Tea', a traditional tea ceremony.
- ▶ Embark on a relaxed dinner cruise on the waters of Tokyo Bay, enabling you to look back and admire the bright, twinkling lights of the city by night.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE TOKYO

Arrive in the vibrant, neon-bright metropolis of Tokyo and transfer to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 2: EXPLORE TOKYO

Tokyo is a city that is always moving forward – from the ever-changing skyline to the fashions and trends of the people who call it home. As modern as it may appear, behind the neon façade is a traditional soul that is easy to find amongst the old alleyways, temples and shrines of the Edo era. Today you will experience both sides of the city, ascending the soaring Tokyo Skytree, the tallest structure in Japan, for panoramic views, before taking a wander through the old district of Asakusa. Stop to soak up the atmosphere at Sensoji, Tokyo's most famous and beloved temple and browse the stalls

of Nakamise shopping street. You will also drive by the Imperial Palace Plaza and take a stroll through Hamarikyu Gardens. This evening, cruise the waters of Tokyo Bay and enjoy dinner from the perfect vantage point to admire the supercharged lights of the city.

### DAY 3: MOUNT FUJI

Travel by road from Tokyo to the iconic Mount Fuji, where you will ascend 2,400 metres up its slopes to the 5th Station (weather permitting) for magnificent views of both Fuji's cone and the surrounding landscapes. Transfer to the spa region of Hakone. Embark on a cruise on the spectacular Lake Ashi, keeping an eye out for the vermilion torii gates that nestle on the surrounding hills and in the shallows of the lake itself. Next, fly high above the lake on the Komagatake Ropeway to the summit of Mount Komagatake for views of Mount Fuji. Stay overnight in the wider Fuji area and enjoy the public onsen facilities.

### DAY 4: BULLET TRAIN TO KYOTO

Transfer to Odawara Station to jump onboard the Hikari bullet train and whizz your way to Kyoto. Capital for a millennium, Kyoto was also the heart of religion, philosophy, art and cuisine, making it a treasure trove of history and culture. It is here that all of the best-known cultural arts were born – the tea ceremony, Kabuki and geisha to name a few. This afternoon, visit the magnificent Fushimi Inari Shrine, the most important of several thousand shrines dedicated to the god Inari. Follow the pathway through thousands of vermilion torii gates that leads through a complex of shrines spread over a peaceful, forested hillside.



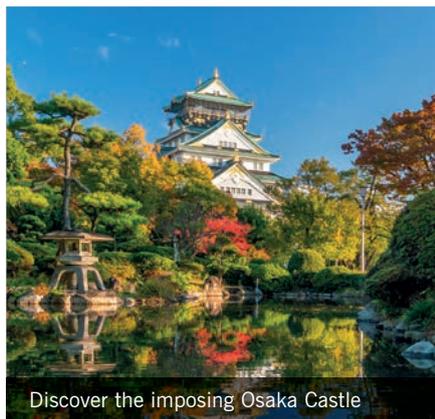
Experience Tokyo's Shibuya Crossing



**CLASSIC**  
JAPAN

PHYSICAL RATING

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
Limited for time? Discover Japan's most iconic highlights in one unforgettable week. Explore the historic cities of Kyoto and Nara, be awestruck by the beauty of Mount Fuji and see the bright lights of Tokyo and Osaka.



Discover the imposing Osaka Castle



Explore Tokyo's Sensoji Temple

**DAY 5: UNCOVER KYOTO**

Begin the day with a visit to Ryoanji Temple, locally referred to as the 'temple of the peaceful dragon', and spend time enjoying the peaceful surroundings in its famous Zen garden. Next, continue to one of Japan's most photographed temples, Kinkakuji, also known as the 'Golden Pavilion'. Set amongst classical Japanese Zen gardens and on the edge of a reflecting pool, the temple's main hall is covered in gold leaf – a breathtaking sight in any season. After lunch, enjoy a taste of authentic Japanese culture, experiencing the elegant ritual of a tea ceremony with a tea master and learn the traditional art of calligraphy.

**DAY 6: DISCOVER NARA & OSAKA**

This morning, depart for Nara. Another former capital, Nara also has a huge cultural legacy, considered second only to Kyoto's. This picturesque, compact city is truly charming. Spend the morning discovering Todaiji Temple which houses the magnificent Daibutsu, a 15-metre-tall bronze statue of Buddha. Here, you will also meet Nara's famous sika deer, believed to be the messengers of the Shinto gods. Stroll around Isuien, a prime example of a 19th-century Japanese garden. Continue to Osaka, where you will have lunch at a local restaurant and explore the well-renowned Dotonbori district. End the day at the magnificent Osaka Castle, where you will have time to learn about its turbulent history.

**DAY 7: DEPART OSAKA**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

**EXTEND YOUR STAY...**



**CLASSIC TAIWAN EXTENSION**

5 days from \$1,390pp

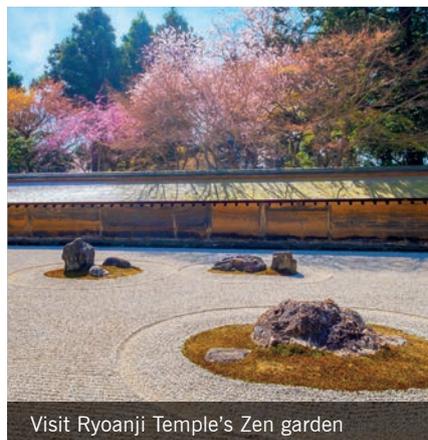
**HONG KONG GLIMPSES STOPOVER**

3 days from \$410pp

**ESSENTIAL DUBAI STOPOVER**

3 days from \$390pp

Visit page 72 to learn more about all of our extensions and stopovers.



Visit Ryoanji Temple's Zen garden

**PRICES & DEPARTURES**

Departing days of the week vary during peak season

**2025 DATES**

18 Mar - 24 Mar	\$5,930	09 Sep - 15 Sep	\$5,270
22 Mar - 28 Mar	\$5,930	16 Sep - 22 Sep	\$5,270
25 Mar - 31 Mar	SOLD OUT	07 Oct - 13 Oct	\$5,270
29 Mar - 04 Apr	\$5,930	11 Oct - 17 Oct	\$5,400
01 Apr - 07 Apr	SOLD OUT	14 Oct - 20 Oct	\$5,400
05 Apr - 11 Apr	SOLD OUT	18 Oct - 24 Oct	\$5,400
08 Apr - 14 Apr	SOLD OUT	21 Oct - 27 Oct	\$5,400
15 Apr - 21 Apr	\$5,800	08 Nov - 14 Nov	\$5,400
06 May - 12 May	\$5,270	11 Nov - 17 Nov	\$5,400
13 May - 19 May	\$5,270	15 Nov - 21 Nov	\$5,400

**2026 DATES**

17 Mar - 23 Mar	\$6,200	08 Sep - 14 Sep	\$5,540
21 Mar - 27 Mar	\$6,200	15 Sep - 21 Sep	\$5,540
24 Mar - 30 Mar	\$6,200	29 Sep - 05 Oct	\$5,540
28 Mar - 03 Apr	\$6,200	06 Oct - 12 Oct	\$5,540
31 Mar - 06 Apr	\$6,200	13 Oct - 19 Oct	\$5,540
04 Apr - 10 Apr	\$6,200	20 Oct - 26 Oct	\$5,540
07 Apr - 13 Apr	\$6,200	03 Nov - 09 Nov	\$5,540
11 Apr - 17 Apr	\$6,200	10 Nov - 16 Nov	\$5,540
14 Apr - 20 Apr	\$6,200	17 Nov - 23 Nov	\$5,540
18 Apr - 24 Apr	\$6,200	24 Nov - 30 Nov	\$5,540
09 May - 15 May	\$6,200		

**Supplement information**

- Based on land only (Tokyo - Osaka)
- Single room from \$1,310

Excludes international flights; please request at time of booking

Call for our 2026 pricing and departures

# EXPERIENCE JAPAN

10 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$7,650

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Discover delightful Nara
- ✓ Visit Matsumoto & Osaka castles
- ✓ Explore Arashiyama bamboo forest
- ✓ Watch snow monkeys play
- ✓ See Kamakura's Grand Buddha
- ✓ View the impressive Mount Fuji



Visit the beautiful Osaka Castle

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 9 breakfasts, 8 lunches & 9 dinners
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Try your hand at Japanese fan painting

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Visit a historic Kyoto fan house to try your hand at the art of Japanese fan painting, practised for over a thousand years and still alive today.
- ▶ Discover a miso house during your time at Matsumoto, and learn how miso, one of Japan's five core ingredients is made. The history of miso can be traced back over 1,300 years and plays a pivotal role in Japanese culture.
- ▶ Explore the fascinating cultural heritage of Tokyo, learn what shaped this impressive city and get a glimpse of what life was like through the ages at the Tokyo-Edo Museum.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE OSAKA

Arrive in the lively, fast paced city of Osaka! Transfer to your hotel and depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure.

### DAY 2: DISCOVER NARA

Visit the impressive Osaka Castle before cruising along the Yodogawa River. After lunch, continue to Nara and enjoy a leisurely walk through Nara Park to Todaiji Temple and admire the traditional Isuien Gardens before returning to Osaka.

### DAY 3: HIGHLIGHTS OF KYOTO

Journey by road to Kyoto. Capital for 1,000 years, this enchanting city is the epitome of traditional Japan. Start with a visit to Togetsukyo Bridge located in the heart of the vibrant district of Arashiyama and stroll through the bamboo forest with its towering thickets. Later, visit Ryoanji, the 'temple of the peaceful dragon', home to Japan's most famous Zen garden. Admire the famously beautiful 'Golden Pavilion' of Kinkakuji before some free time in Kyoto.

### DAY 4: KYOTO'S CULTURAL ARTS

Begin the day with a visit to one of Kyoto's most famous sites – Fushimi Inari Shrine, renowned for its 10,000 vermilion torii gates, and follow a forested hillside pathway passing numerous shrines along the way. Later, enjoy the age-old rituals of a tea ceremony with a tea master, and try your hand at origami. After lunch, your immersive experience continues with a fan painting class where you will learn the technique of this highly refined and sought-after visual art.

### DAY 5: SNOW MONKEYS

Spend the morning travelling by bullet train to Nagoya and then journey on the limited express train to Nagano. Upon arrival, head to Jigokudani Yaen-Koen and walk through a picturesque, forested valley to the hot pools where you may see the famous Japanese macaques (snow monkeys) bathe and play. Also visit the 7th-century Zenkoji Temple, one of Japan's most popular Buddhist temples, before continuing by road to Matsumoto.

### DAY 6: MISO & SAKE TASTING

Begin the day with a visit to the magnificent 16th-century Matsumoto Castle, also known as 'Crow Castle', due to its intense black exterior. Next, head to a miso house and learn about the process of making this famous Japanese seasoning. After lunch, visit a sake brewery and enjoy a tippie or two! There will be some free time this afternoon to further explore Matsumoto.



Enjoy sake tasting



**CLASSIC**  
JAPAN

PHYSICAL RATING 1

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
This tour not only visits the famous sights of Japan including Osaka, Nara, Kyoto, Mount Fuji and Tokyo, but is brimful of experiences allowing you to immerse yourself in the local culture, from traditional tea ceremonies to origami.



Discover Arashiyama bamboo forest



Search for the snow monkeys

**DAY 7: MOUNT FUJI**

Today, head to the Fuji Five Lakes area, where you will ascend 2,400 meters by road to the 5th Station (weather permitting) for magnificent views of both Mount Fuji's cone and the surrounding landscape. Also, enjoy a short cruise on Lake Ashi before taking to the skies on the Komagatake Ropeway to enjoy the breathtaking scenery below. Stay overnight in Mishima and enjoy the public onsen facilities.

**DAY 8: KAMAKURA GRAND BUDDHA**

Journey to Kamakura, a popular coastal city located south of Tokyo. Visit Kotokuin Temple, home to Japan's second tallest bronze Buddha, before strolling through Komachi Street, lined with pretty little shops. Stop to visit Tsurugaoka Hachimangu, Kamakura's most important shrine. After lunch, continue to Tokyo and enjoy a leisurely walk through Hamarikyu Gardens.

**DAY 9: DISCOVER TOKYO**

Begin the day by ascending to the observation deck at the Tokyo Skytree for panoramic views over the city below. Next, head to the old district of Asakusa and soak up the atmosphere at Sensoji, Tokyo's oldest and most famous temple, before browsing the stalls on Nakamise shopping street. After lunch, explore the Tokyo National Museum to learn about Tokyo's past. End the day with a cruise on the waters of Tokyo Bay and enjoy dinner from the perfect vantage point to admire the supercharged lights of the city.

**DAY 10: DEPART TOKYO**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

EXTEND YOUR STAY...



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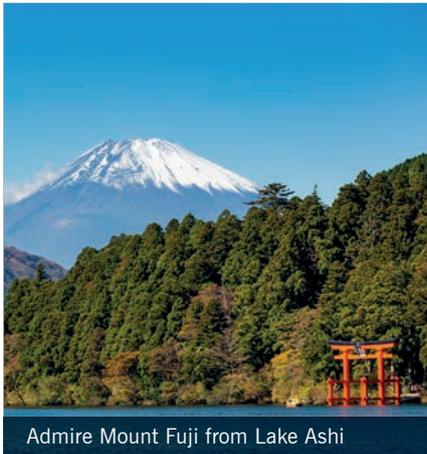
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Admire Mount Fuji from Lake Ashi

PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing Tuesday returning Thursday

2025 DATES

11 Mar - 20 Mar	\$7,650	22 Jul - 31 Jul	\$7,650
18 Mar - 27 Mar	SOLD OUT	19 Aug - 28 Aug	\$7,650
25 Mar - 03 Apr	SOLD OUT	09 Sep - 18 Sep	\$7,650
01 Apr - 10 Apr	SOLD OUT	16 Sep - 25 Sep	\$7,650
08 Apr - 17 Apr	SOLD OUT	23 Sep - 02 Oct	\$7,650
15 Apr - 24 Apr	SOLD OUT	07 Oct - 16 Oct	\$7,650
22 Apr - 01 May	\$7,650	14 Oct - 23 Oct	SOLD OUT
06 May - 15 May	\$7,650	21 Oct - 30 Oct	\$7,650
13 May - 22 May	\$7,650	28 Oct - 06 Nov	\$7,650
20 May - 29 May	\$7,650	04 Nov - 13 Nov	\$7,650
27 May - 05 Jun	\$7,650	11 Nov - 20 Nov	\$7,650

2026 DATES

10 Mar - 19 Mar	\$8,440	16 Jun - 25 Jun	\$8,040
17 Mar - 26 Mar	\$8,440	21 Jul - 30 Jul	\$8,180
24 Mar - 02 Apr	\$8,440	18 Aug - 27 Aug	\$8,180
31 Mar - 09 Apr	\$8,440	08 Sep - 17 Sep	\$8,040
07 Apr - 16 Apr	\$8,440	15 Sep - 24 Sep	\$8,040
14 Apr - 23 Apr	\$8,440	22 Sep - 01 Oct	\$8,040
21 Apr - 30 Apr	\$8,440	06 Oct - 15 Oct	\$8,040
05 May - 14 May	\$8,040	13 Oct - 22 Oct	\$8,040
12 May - 21 May	\$8,040	20 Oct - 29 Oct	\$8,040
19 May - 28 May	\$8,040	27 Oct - 05 Nov	\$8,040
26 May - 04 Jun	\$8,040	03 Nov - 12 Nov	\$8,040
02 Jun - 11 Jun	\$8,040	10 Nov - 19 Nov	\$8,040
09 Jun - 18 Jun	\$8,040		

Supplement information

- Based on land only (Osaka - Tokyo)
- Single room from \$1,710

Excludes international flights; please request at time of booking.

# JEWELS OF JAPAN

10 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$6,860

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

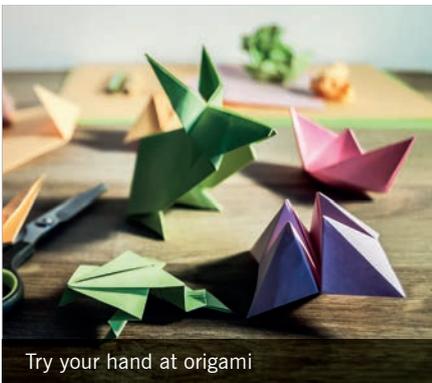
- ✓ Feel the rush of Tokyo
- ✓ Admire beautiful Mount Fuji
- ✓ Take part in a tea ceremony
- ✓ Be charmed by Kyoto
- ✓ Reflect in Hiroshima
- ✓ Explore relaxed Miyajima



Journey by ferry to the holy island of Miyajima

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 9 breakfasts, 8 lunches & 9 dinners
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Try your hand at origami

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Take part in a handicraft experience – the traditions and techniques of the intricate art of origami. You'll learn to fold some of the simpler, but still impressive, shapes and designs.
- ▶ More than just a hot drink, the Japanese tea ceremony dates back to the 9th century and represents purity, tranquillity, respect and harmony. Experience the preparation and presentation that goes into this sacred ritual.
- ▶ The buckwheat soba noodle is one of Japan's most famous culinary exports – try your hand at making them from scratch, before feasting on the delicious results for lunch.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE TOKYO

Arrive in the dazzling metropolis of Tokyo and transfer to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 2: DISCOVER TOKYO

Head to the Tokyo National Museum in Ueno Park to uncover 2,000 years of Japanese heritage. After lunch, seek out the tranquillity at Sensoji Temple in Asakusa district, followed by a visit to the observation deck of the 634-metre Skytree for panoramic views over the sprawling city below.

### DAY 3: MEIJI SHRINE

Visit Meiji Jingu, a Shinto shrine dedicated to the deified spirit of Meiji, the 19th-century emperor who presided over Japan's radical modernisation. Nestled in peaceful urban woodland, this shrine feels a world away from the buzzing Shibuya Crossing which we will admire before lunch. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure to explore as you wish. End the day with a dinner cruise on Tokyo Bay and witness the city lit up at night.

### DAY 4: MOUNT FUJI & FUJI FIVE LAKES

Journey through the foothills of the iconic Mount Fuji to its base where we find the Fuji Five Lakes. The region is spectacularly dotted by the calm waters of five lakes, formed by past volcanic eruptions, reflecting Mount Fuji's picture-perfect cone. Ascend 2,000 metres up to Mount Fuji's 5th Station by coach (weather permitting) and take in the breathtaking views over the landscapes below. Next, head to Lake Kawaguchi in search of more views of Mount Fuji. Drive along the edge of Lake Saiko to

reach Iyashi no Sato Historical Village, a former farming village on the shores of Lake Saiko. Destroyed by a landslide in 1966, the remaining thatch-roofed houses of this old village have been transformed into an open-air museum and craft village. Stay overnight in Mishima and enjoy the public onsen facilities.

### DAY 5: BULLET TRAIN TO KYOTO

Start the day with a visit to Oshino Hakkai village with its charming houses and deep pools. Later, learn how to make your very own traditional Japanese soba noodles, and enjoy your creations for lunch! Later, transfer to Mishima station and journey on the bullet train to Kyoto. An enchanting city, Kyoto was capital for 1,000 years; today it is the legacy of ancient Japan, full of tranquil temples, silk-clad geisha and sublime gardens.

### DAY 6: EXPLORE KYOTO

Enjoy a full day tour of Kyoto starting with a visit to one of Kyoto's delightful temples – the 17th-century Buddhist Kiyomizu. Immerse yourself in the culture by experiencing the sacred rituals of a tea ceremony with a tea master and try your hand at origami. Dating back to the 6th century, the art of 'folding paper' is a cultural symbol of simplicity, beauty and peace. Later, explore the impressive Fushimi Inari Shrine with its remarkable 10,000 red torii gates.

### DAY 7: JOURNEY TO HIROSHIMA

Begin the day with a visit to Ryoanji Temple, referred to locally as the 'temple of the peaceful dragon', which is home to Japan's most famous Zen garden. Afterwards, enjoy



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PHYSICAL RATING

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
See the classic sights of Japan, visiting modern Tokyo, iconic Mount Fuji and historic Kyoto. A visit to Hiroshima's Peace Memorial Park and Museum and the holy island of Miyajima complete this fascinating tour.



Visit the village of Oshino Hakkai in Fuji Five Lakes

a photo opportunity at the renowned Kinkakuji Temple, known as the 'Golden Pavilion'. Travel by bullet train to Hiroshima; a bustling coastal city with a famously tragic history.

**DAY 8: HIROSHIMA & MIYAJIMA**

Hop on the ferry to the holy island of Miyajima and visit the Itsukushima Shrine, one of Japan's most recognisable UNESCO World Heritage sites, located on the edge of the Seto Inland Sea. Take an optional ride on the cable car up Mount Misen to enjoy the panoramic views. Return to Hiroshima and take a moment to reflect at the Peace Memorial Park and Museum, which pays homage to the victims of the 1945 atomic bomb. Visit the Orizuru Tower for breathtaking views over the city.

**DAY 9: HIMEJI CASTLE**

Travel to Himeji to visit its famous castle. The feudal era fort, one of the most impressive in Japan, towers over the city and is recognisable as the backdrop to several major films. Admire its well-preserved architecture before strolling around Kokoan, the Edo-style gardens just across the castle moat. Continue to vibrant Osaka, one of the most cosmopolitan cities in Japan. Later, meet your group in the hotel lobby and head into the city for this evening's farewell dinner.

**DAY 10: DEPART OSAKA**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

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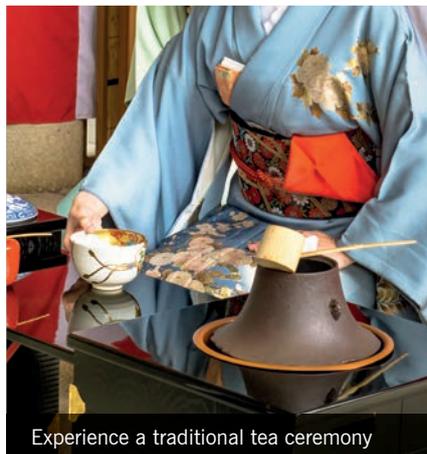
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Experience a traditional tea ceremony

**PRICES & DEPARTURES**

Departing days of the week vary during peak season

**2025 DATES**

11 Mar - 20 Mar	\$7,650	08 Jun - 17 Jun	\$7,120
18 Mar - 27 Mar	\$7,650	15 Jun - 24 Jun	\$7,120
20 Mar - 29 Mar	\$7,650	22 Jun - 01 Jul	\$7,120
22 Mar - 31 Mar	\$7,650	20 Jul - 29 Jul	\$7,380
24 Mar - 02 Apr	\$7,650	17 Aug - 26 Aug	\$7,380
26 Mar - 04 Apr	\$7,650	09 Sep - 18 Sep	\$6,860
28 Mar - 06 Apr	\$7,650	14 Sep - 23 Sep	\$7,120
30 Mar - 08 Apr	\$7,650	23 Sep - 02 Oct	\$7,120
01 Apr - 10 Apr	\$7,650	28 Sep - 07 Oct	\$7,120
02 Apr - 11 Apr	\$7,650	30 Sep - 09 Oct	\$7,120
04 Apr - 13 Apr	\$7,650	05 Oct - 14 Oct	\$7,250
06 Apr - 15 Apr	\$7,650	07 Oct - 16 Oct	\$7,250
08 Apr - 17 Apr	\$9,100	12 Oct - 21 Oct	\$7,250
13 Apr - 22 Apr	\$7,650	14 Oct - 23 Oct	\$7,250
15 Apr - 24 Apr	\$7,650	19 Oct - 28 Oct	\$7,250
20 Apr - 29 Apr	\$7,520	28 Oct - 06 Nov	\$7,250
04 May - 13 May	\$6,860	02 Nov - 11 Nov	\$7,250
11 May - 20 May	\$6,860	04 Nov - 13 Nov	\$7,250
18 May - 27 May	\$6,860	09 Nov - 18 Nov	\$8,840
20 May - 29 May	\$6,860	11 Nov - 20 Nov	\$7,250

**2026 DATES**

17 Mar - 26 Mar	\$8,180	22 Jun - 01 Jul	\$7,650
20 Mar - 29 Mar	\$8,180	20 Jul - 29 Jul	\$7,910
23 Mar - 01 Apr	\$8,180	17 Aug - 26 Aug	\$7,910
24 Mar - 02 Apr	\$8,180	07 Sep - 16 Sep	\$7,650
25 Mar - 03 Apr	\$8,180	14 Sep - 23 Sep	\$7,650
27 Mar - 05 Apr	\$8,180	21 Sep - 30 Sep	\$7,650
30 Mar - 08 Apr	\$9,360	28 Sep - 07 Oct	\$9,230
01 Apr - 10 Apr	\$8,180	05 Oct - 14 Oct	\$7,650
03 Apr - 12 Apr	\$8,180	09 Oct - 18 Oct	\$7,650
06 Apr - 15 Apr	\$8,180	12 Oct - 21 Oct	\$7,650
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18 May - 27 May	\$7,650	09 Nov - 18 Nov	\$7,650
25 May - 03 Jun	\$7,650	13 Nov - 22 Nov	\$7,650
08 Jun - 17 Jun	\$7,650	16 Nov - 25 Nov	\$7,650
15 Jun - 24 Jun	\$7,650		

**Supplement information**

- Based on land only from (Tokyo - Osaka)
- Single room from \$1,770

**Dedicated solos departure**

Excludes international flights; please request at time of booking.

# DISCOVER JAPAN

12 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$7,520

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Feel the rush of Tokyo
- ✓ Admire majestic Mount Fuji
- ✓ Be charmed by Kyoto
- ✓ Visit Buddhist Koyasan
- ✓ See ancient Nara
- ✓ Explore the Japanese Alps



Admire the traditional architecture of UNESCO-listed Shirakawago

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 11 breakfasts, 10 lunches & 11 dinners
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Learn about miso seasoning

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Learn all about the traditional production of an essential element of Japanese cooking, the fermented soybean paste 'miso', at an old wooden miso house.
- ▶ Join a dedicated craftsman in a small workshop to hear about the delicate and intricate art of gold leaf making, discovering what gold leaf is and how it is used before having a go yourself.
- ▶ Discover the traditional process of paper making before getting your hands dirty making 'washi' (Japanese paper) the age-old way.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE TOKYO

Arrive in the dazzling metropolis of Tokyo and transfer to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 2: TOKYO CITY TOUR

Tokyo is the ultimate 24-hour city, but look behind its frantic, high-tech frontage and you will find plenty of tranquil backstreets and old temples to explore. Begin at the observation deck of the 634-metre Skytree, before wandering through the old district of Asakusa. Stop to seek out the tranquillity of the ancient Buddhist Sensoji Temple, Tokyo's oldest. Discover Tokyo's royal heritage with a drive past the Imperial Palace Plaza. This evening, take a relaxed dinner cruise on Tokyo Bay for some excellent city vistas.

### DAY 3: MOUNT FUJI

Take the super-fast bullet train to Odawara. Enjoy a boat trip on Lake Ashi for spectacular panoramas of this beautiful area before venturing up the Komagatake Ropeway. Next, ascend over 2,000 metres up Mount Fuji to the 5th Station (weather permitting) and take in the breathtaking views over the Fuji Five Lakes area below.

### DAY 4: MATSUMOTO CASTLE

Transfer to Matsumoto and explore the formidable 16th-century Matsumoto Castle. Stop at a Miso House to learn about the process of making this famous Japanese seasoning. Travel on to Takayama, nestled high in the mountainous Hida region, also known as the Japanese Alps.

### DAY 5: EXPLORE TAKAYAMA

Browse the local handicrafts and fresh produce at the Miyagawa morning market and wander past some of the lovely traditional houses. Visit several of the excellent local museums – including the Festival Floats Museum, Kusakabe Folk Crafts Museum and Takayama Jinya. Enjoy some free time in Kamisanomachi Street and make use of the onsen facilities at your overnight hotel.

### DAY 6: SHIRAKAWAGO & KANAZAWA

Get a glimpse of rural Japan at the UNESCO-listed village of Shirakawago, famed for its gassho-style farmhouses with their steep thatched roofs. Try your hand at washi paper making in nearby Gokuyama before continuing to Kanazawa. Here, meander through beautiful Kenrokuen, one of the Three Great Gardens of Japan.

### DAY 7: GOLD LEAF MAKING

Begin the day learning the process of making gold leaf. Next, stroll through traditional Higashi Chaya (the Eastern Teahouse District), and visit Ochaya Shima, a historic geisha house. Later, journey to Kyoto. Japan's capital from 794 to 1868, Kyoto is a window into a bygone era: think tranquil temples, silk-clad geisha and sublime gardens.

### DAY 8: EXPLORE KYOTO

Start the day with a visit to Ryoanji, the 'temple of the peaceful dragon' and the famous Kinkakuji, also known as the 'Golden Pavilion'. In the afternoon, head to a restored Japanese wooden town house to try your hand at origami and enjoy the age-old rituals of a tea ceremony with a tea master.



**CLASSIC**  
JAPAN

PHYSICAL RATING

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
See the classic sights of Japan including Tokyo, Mount Fuji and the historic capitals of Kyoto and Nara. Plus, journey through the Japanese Alps to uncover the cultural centres of Takayama, rural Shirakawago and laidback Kanazawa.



**DAY 9: DISCOVER NARA**

Visit Fushimi Inari Shrine, remarkable for its 10,000 vermilion torii gates. Continue to Nara, a relaxed and charming town virtually untouched by the ravages of modernity. Another former capital, Nara also has a huge cultural legacy, considered second only to Kyoto, and is home to many archetypal pieces of early art and architecture. Stroll through Nara Park to Todaiji Temple, meeting the resident sika deer en route, before exploring Isuien Garden.

**DAY 10: KOYASAN**

The holy mountain of Koyasan is home to a cluster of over 100 monasteries, nestled in a valley enclosed by peaks said to resemble a lotus flower. Arguably the most sacred mountain in all of Japan, Koyasan is the heart of Shingon Buddhism and is the resting place of Japan's best known Buddhist, known as both Kukai and Kobo Daishi. Wander around Okunoin – a vast cemetery of 200,000 stupas. Enjoy the tranquillity and spectacular views as you discover Kongobuji Temple and the Garan Temple Complex. Later, continue to Osaka.

**DAY 11: EXPLORE OSAKA**

Begin the day exploring Osaka Castle, which is one of Japan's most famous. Next, take a short cruise along the Yodogawa River and stroll through Dotonbori, a restaurant mecca, where you can sample the local delicacies for lunch. The remainder of the day is free for you to explore this fascinating city.

**DAY 12: DEPART OSAKA**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.



**PRICES & DEPARTURES**

Departing days of the week vary

**2025 DATES**

17 Mar - 28 Mar	\$8,180	21 Apr - 02 May	\$7,910	29 Sep - 10 Oct	\$7,650
19 Mar - 30 Mar	\$8,180	05 May - 16 May	\$7,520	03 Oct - 14 Oct	\$7,650
21 Mar - 01 Apr	\$8,180	12 May - 23 May	\$7,520	06 Oct - 17 Oct	\$7,780
23 Mar - 03 Apr	\$8,180	19 May - 30 May	\$7,520	13 Oct - 24 Oct	\$7,780
25 Mar - 05 Apr	\$8,180	26 May - 06 Jun	\$7,650	20 Oct - 31 Oct	\$9,760
27 Mar - 07 Apr	\$8,180	02 Jun - 13 Jun	\$7,650	27 Oct - 07 Nov	\$7,650
29 Mar - 09 Apr	\$8,180	09 Jun - 20 Jun	\$7,650	31 Oct - 11 Nov	\$7,650
31 Mar - 11 Apr	\$8,180	16 Jun - 27 Jun	\$7,650	03 Nov - 14 Nov	\$7,780
01 Apr - 12 Apr	SOLD OUT	21 Jul - 01 Aug	\$7,910	07 Nov - 18 Nov	\$7,650
03 Apr - 14 Apr	SOLD OUT	18 Aug - 29 Aug	\$7,910	10 Nov - 21 Nov	\$7,780
05 Apr - 16 Apr	\$8,180	08 Sep - 19 Sep	\$7,650	14 Nov - 25 Nov	\$7,650
07 Apr - 18 Apr	\$8,180	12 Sep - 23 Sep	\$7,650	17 Nov - 28 Nov	\$7,780
11 Apr - 22 Apr	\$8,180	15 Sep - 26 Sep	\$7,650		
14 Apr - 25 Apr	\$8,180	22 Sep - 03 Oct	\$7,650		

**2026 DATES**

19 Mar - 30 Mar	\$8,700	21 Apr - 02 May	\$8,700	15 Sep - 26 Sep	\$8,040
21 Mar - 01 Apr	\$8,700	05 May - 16 May	\$8,180	22 Sep - 03 Oct	\$8,040
23 Mar - 03 Apr	\$8,700	08 May - 19 May	\$8,170	29 Sep - 10 Oct	\$8,040
25 Mar - 05 Apr	\$8,700	12 May - 23 May	\$8,180	06 Oct - 17 Oct	\$8,040
27 Mar - 07 Apr	\$8,700	15 May - 26 May	\$8,170	13 Oct - 24 Oct	\$8,040
29 Mar - 09 Apr	\$8,700	19 May - 30 May	\$8,180	20 Oct - 31 Oct	\$8,040
31 Mar - 11 Apr	\$10,020	22 May - 02 Jun	\$8,170	23 Oct - 03 Nov	\$8,040
03 Apr - 14 Apr	\$8,700	26 May - 06 Jun	\$8,180	27 Oct - 07 Nov	\$9,360
05 Apr - 16 Apr	\$8,700	02 Jun - 13 Jun	\$8,180	03 Nov - 14 Nov	\$8,040
07 Apr - 18 Apr	\$8,700	09 Jun - 20 Jun	\$8,180	06 Nov - 17 Nov	\$8,040
09 Apr - 20 Apr	\$8,700	16 Jun - 27 Jun	\$8,180	10 Nov - 21 Nov	\$8,040
11 Apr - 22 Apr	\$8,700	21 Jul - 01 Aug	\$8,310	17 Nov - 28 Nov	\$8,040
14 Apr - 25 Apr	\$8,700	18 Aug - 29 Aug	\$8,310	20 Nov - 01 Dec	\$8,040
17 Apr - 28 Apr	\$8,700	08 Sep - 19 Sep	\$8,040		

**Supplement information**

- Based on land only from (Tokyo - Osaka)
- Single room from \$2,100

see website for full list of departure dates

Dedicated solos departure

Excludes international flights; please request at time of booking.

Call for our 2027 pricing and departures

# JAPAN UNCOVERED

16 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON

\$9,230



ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Discover historic Kyoto & Nara
- ✓ Reflect in Hiroshima & Miyajima
- ✓ Admire beautiful Mount Fuji
- ✓ See the snow monkeys
- ✓ Feel the rush of Tokyo & Osaka
- ✓ Explore Kanazawa & Takayama



Witness the bloom of the cherry blossom at Himeji Castle

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 15 breakfasts, 14 lunches & 15 dinners
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Visit a wasabi farm

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ One of Japan's most famous condiments, wasabi is an essential element in Japanese cuisine. Learn about its cultivation on a traditional farm and admire the landscapes.
- ▶ Admire the elaborately dyed silk creations of artist Kubota Itchiku at his eponymous art museum. Itchiku single-handedly revived the traditional and beautiful technique of 'tsujigahana'.
- ▶ Arguably the world's most famous pedestrian crossing, seen in many a film and television show, witness the organised chaos and bright lights of Tokyo's Shibuya Crossing for yourself.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE OSAKA

Arrive in the lively, fast paced city of Osaka! Transfer to your hotel and depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 2: DISCOVER NARA

Spend the morning in Nara, the small, history-filled city that was Japan's first capital. Stroll through Nara Park to Todaiji Temple and admire the traditional Isuien Garden. Return to Osaka and visit the impressive Osaka Castle before cruising along the Yodogawa River.

### DAY 3: HIMEJI CASTLE

Depart Osaka for Hiroshima, stopping en route to explore the magnificent 17th-century Himeji Castle and the neighbouring Kokoen, a traditional-style garden.

### DAY 4: EXPLORE HIROSHIMA

Hiroshima is a vibrant, forward-thinking city that is a pleasure to explore. Reflect on the city's tragic past at the Peace Memorial Park and Museum, paying homage to the victims of the 1945 atomic bomb. Next, take the ferry to the holy island of Miyajima to visit the Itsukushima Shrine and enjoy some time at leisure.

### DAY 5: BULLET TRAIN TO KYOTO

Start the day with a journey by bullet train to Kyoto. Capital for 1,000 years, this enchanting city is the epitome of traditional Japan. Visit Ryoanji Temple, home to Japan's most famous Zen garden and Kinkakuji Temple, also known as 'Golden Pavilion'.

### DAY 6: JAPANESE TEA CEREMONY

Enjoy one of Kyoto's most delightful spots, Kiyomizu, a 17th-century Buddhist temple,

before experiencing the age-old rituals of a traditional tea ceremony with a tea master. After lunch, visit Fushimi Inari Shrine, renowned for its 10,000 vermilion torii gates.

### DAY 7: TRAVEL TO KANAZAWA

Travel by road to Kanazawa. Meander through Kenrokuen, one of the Three Great Gardens of Japan, before viewing the excellent art collection of the Kanazawa 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art.

### DAY 8: WASHI PAPER MAKING

Visit the Nomura Samurai House and Garden before departing Kanazawa. Stop in Gokayama for lunch and a hands-on washi paper making workshop. Continue to Shirakawago, where you will explore the 300-year-old Gassho-style Wada House, before continuing to Takayama.

### DAY 9: EXPLORE TAKAYAMA

Browse the local handicrafts and fresh produce at the Miyagawa morning market and wander past some of the lovely traditional houses. Also visit several of the excellent local museums, including the Festival Floats Museum, Kusakabe Folk Crafts Museum and Takayama Jinya followed by a stroll down Kamisannomachi Street. Enjoy the onsen facilities at your overnight hotel.

### DAY 10: TRAVEL TO NAGANO

Travel to Matsumoto and explore the formidable 16th-century Matsumoto Castle. Visit a miso house and learn about this famous Japanese seasoning. Also spend some time at a wasabi farm to learn about its cultivation before continuing to Nagano.



**CLASSIC**  
JAPAN

PHYSICAL RATING

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
Our most comprehensive tour of Japan includes all the classic sights and key cultural activities. Featuring modern cities, historical sights and beautiful landscapes it ensures you'll get the most from this fascinating land.



Search for the snow monkeys

**DAY 11: SNOW MONKEYS**

Don your walking boots and walk 40-60 minutes through the sloping Jigokudani Valley to reach the hot springs, where you may see the Japanese snow monkeys bathe and play. Enjoy some time for photos before the return walk. Return to Nagano to visit Zenkoji, a 7th-century Buddhist temple.

**DAY 12: MOUNT FUJI**

The sacred peak of Mount Fuji has inspired artists, poets and pilgrims for centuries. Drive from Nagano to reach the Fuji Five Lakes region, where, weather permitting, you can enjoy dramatic views of Fuji and ascend by road to the 5th Station. Overnight in the wider Fuji area.

**DAY 13: EXPLORE HAKONE**

Begin the day with a short cruise on the peaceful waters of Lake Ashi. Next, soar high on the Hakone cable car to reach the volcanic Owakudani Valley and discover Mount Hakone's dramatic natural hot springs, which often offer good views of Mount Fuji. Later, continue to Tokyo.

**DAY 14: DISCOVER TOKYO**

A dazzling, high-tech metropolis, Japan's capital has wonderfully traditional roots. Start your explorations at one of the city's lovely gardens, visit Meiji Shrine and stop by the famous Shibuya Crossing.

**DAY 15: MORE TOKYO**

Stroll the vibrant Asakusa district and soak up the ambiance of Sensoji, Tokyo's oldest Buddhist temple. Ascend to the observation deck of the 634-metre Skytree before lunch. The afternoon is free until this evening's farewell dinner cruise.

**DAY 16: DEPART TOKYO**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

**SEE SUMO WRESTLING**



On some May and September departures\*, there is an extra special addition to day 14: a sumo tournament. Many of Japan's most ancient traditions are preserved in the sport, and the rituals involved in its performance are as fascinating to watch as the wrestling itself. Subject to availability.

**PRICES & DEPARTURES**

2025 DATES			
12 Mar - 27 Mar	\$9,760	02 Sep - 17 Sep*	\$9,230
13 Mar - 28 Mar	\$9,760	03 Sep - 18 Sep*	\$9,230
03 Apr - 18 Apr	\$9,760	04 Sep - 19 Sep*	\$9,230
04 Apr - 19 Apr	\$9,760	05 Sep - 20 Sep*	\$9,230
14 Apr - 29 Apr	\$9,760	06 Sep - 21 Sep*	\$9,230
15 Apr - 30 Apr	\$9,760	08 Sep - 23 Sep	\$9,230
16 Apr - 01 May	\$9,760	15 Sep - 30 Sep	\$9,230
17 Apr - 02 May	\$9,760	22 Sep - 07 Oct	\$9,230
20 Apr - 05 May	\$9,760	29 Sep - 14 Oct	\$9,230
07 May - 22 May*	\$9,230	01 Oct - 16 Oct	\$9,230
10 May - 25 May*	\$9,230	02 Oct - 17 Oct	\$9,500
14 May - 29 May	\$9,230	05 Oct - 20 Oct	\$9,500
21 May - 05 Jun	\$9,230	06 Oct - 21 Oct	\$9,230
28 May - 12 Jun	\$9,230	08 Oct - 23 Oct	\$9,500
03 Jun - 18 Jun	\$9,230	09 Oct - 24 Oct	\$9,230
10 Jun - 25 Jun	\$9,230	11 Oct - 26 Oct	\$9,500
17 Jun - 02 Jul	\$9,230	12 Oct - 27 Oct	\$9,230
24 Jun - 09 Jul	\$9,230	13 Oct - 28 Oct	\$9,230
24 Jul - 08 Aug	\$9,630	15 Oct - 30 Oct	\$9,230
07 Aug - 22 Aug	\$9,630	16 Oct - 31 Oct	\$9,230
		01 Nov - 16 Nov	\$11,870
		02 Nov - 17 Nov	\$9,500
		03 Nov - 18 Nov	\$9,230
		05 Nov - 20 Nov	\$9,230
		06 Nov - 21 Nov	\$9,500
		09 Nov - 24 Nov	\$9,500
		10 Nov - 25 Nov	\$9,230
		11 Nov - 26 Nov	\$9,500
		13 Nov - 28 Nov	\$9,500
		15 Nov - 30 Nov	\$9,500

2026 DATES			
09 Mar - 24 Mar	\$10,290	12 Apr - 27 Apr	\$10,290
11 Mar - 26 Mar	\$10,290	13 Apr - 28 Apr	\$12,400
12 Mar - 27 Mar	\$10,290	15 Apr - 30 Apr	\$10,290
15 Mar - 30 Mar	\$10,290	16 Apr - 01 May	\$10,290
16 Mar - 31 Mar	\$10,290	19 Apr - 04 May	\$10,290
18 Mar - 02 Apr	\$10,290	20 Apr - 05 May	\$12,400
19 Mar - 03 Apr	\$10,290	04 May - 19 May*	\$9,890
22 Mar - 06 Apr	\$10,290	06 May - 21 May*	\$9,890
23 Mar - 07 Apr	\$10,290	07 May - 22 May*	\$9,890
25 Mar - 09 Apr	\$10,290	10 May - 25 May*	\$9,890
26 Mar - 10 Apr	\$10,290	11 May - 26 May*	\$9,890
29 Mar - 13 Apr	\$10,290	13 May - 28 May	\$9,890
30 Mar - 14 Apr	\$10,290	14 May - 29 May	\$9,890
01 Apr - 16 Apr	\$10,290	17 May - 01 Jun	\$9,890
02 Apr - 17 Apr	\$10,290	20 May - 04 Jun	\$9,890
05 Apr - 20 Apr	\$12,400	21 May - 05 Jun	\$9,890
06 Apr - 21 Apr	\$12,400	27 May - 11 Jun	\$9,890
08 Apr - 23 Apr	\$10,290	03 Jun - 18 Jun	\$9,760
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		17 Jun - 02 Jul	\$9,760
		24 Jun - 09 Jul	\$9,760
		22 Jul - 06 Aug	\$10,020
		05 Aug - 20 Aug	\$10,020
		02 Sep - 17 Sep	\$9,890
		03 Sep - 18 Sep	\$9,890
		06 Sep - 21 Sep	\$9,890
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		09 Sep - 24 Sep	\$9,890
		10 Sep - 25 Sep	\$9,890
		20 Sep - 05 Oct	\$9,890
		21 Sep - 06 Oct	\$9,890
		23 Sep - 08 Oct	\$9,890
		24 Sep - 09 Oct	\$9,890
		27 Sep - 12 Oct	\$10,020
		28 Sep - 13 Oct	\$10,020
		30 Sep - 15 Oct	\$10,020
		01 Oct - 16 Oct	\$10,020
		04 Oct - 19 Oct	\$10,020

\*Includes the sumo wrestling tournament

**Supplement information**

- Based on land only (Osaka - Tokyo)
- Single room from \$2,430

Dedicated solos departure

see website for full list of departure dates

Excludes international flights; please request at time of booking.

# JAPAN BY RAIL

20 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$12,270

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Reflect in Nagasaki & Hiroshima
- ✓ Admire Kyoto's temples
- ✓ See the snow monkeys
- ✓ Explore bustling Tokyo
- ✓ Discover Sendai & Hakodate
- ✓ Spend time in Sapporo



Journey through Japan by rail

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 19 breakfasts, 18 lunches & 19 dinners
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Enjoy a momiji manju cooking experience

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Under the guidance of a skilled instructor, try your hand at making momiji manju (maple leaf bean buns), Miyajima's most famous confectionery for over a hundred years.
- ▶ Learn about the role of the masu sake cup in Japan's culture before stepping into the studio to make your very own cup with an original design, which you can then take home as a souvenir.
- ▶ Discover the history and etiquette of making and appreciating sushi with a hands-on lesson before sitting down with your instructing chef to enjoy Japan's most famous cuisine. It's the taking part that counts!

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE FUKUOKA

Arrive in the charming city of Fukuoka and transfer to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 2: EXPLORE NAGASAKI

Begin the day by travelling on the limited express train to Nagasaki. Upon arrival, enjoy a stroll through the Glover Garden, an open-air museum that exhibits mansions attributed to the Scottish merchant who contributed to the modernisation of Japan. Also, visit the Oura Catholic Church and Atomic Bomb Museum before returning to Fukuoka.

### DAY 3: MIYAJIMA ISLAND

Board the bullet train to Hiroshima, located on Japan's largest island, Honshu. Upon arrival in Hiroshima, take the ferry across the Seto Inland Sea to the holy island of Miyajima. Here, visit the Itsukushima Shrine and enjoy a momiji manju cooking experience. Later, return to Hiroshima.

### DAY 4: HIROSHIMA HIGHLIGHTS

Spend the day in Hiroshima starting with a visit to the Peace Memorial Park and Museum where you will have the opportunity to pay homage to the victims of the 1945 atomic bomb. Enjoy okonomiyaki for lunch before ascending Orizuru Tower to view the city from above, followed by a stroll through the historical Shukkeien Garden.

### DAY 5: ADMIRE HIMEJI CASTLE

Depart Hiroshima by bullet train, stopping at Himeji to visit the magnificent Himeji Castle, followed by a walk through the traditional Kokoen Garden. Continue by limited express to Osaka.

### DAY 6: OSAKA & NARA DAY TRIP

Begin the day with a visit to the Umeda Sky Building, followed by lunch in the famous Dotonburi district. Later, head to Nara and explore Todaiji, a temple which houses the impressive Daibutsu, a 15-metre-tall bronze statue of Buddha. Enjoy an ink making and calligraphy class before returning to Osaka.

### DAY 7: KYOTO'S TEMPLES

Journey by road to Kyoto. Capital for 1,000 years, this enchanting city is the epitome of traditional Japan. Upon arrival, stroll through the Arashiyama bamboo forest and admire the towering thickets. Also visit Ryoanji Temple, home to Japan's best-known Zen garden, and the famous 'Golden Pavilion' Kinkakuji.

### DAY 8: TEA CEREMONY & FAN PAINTING

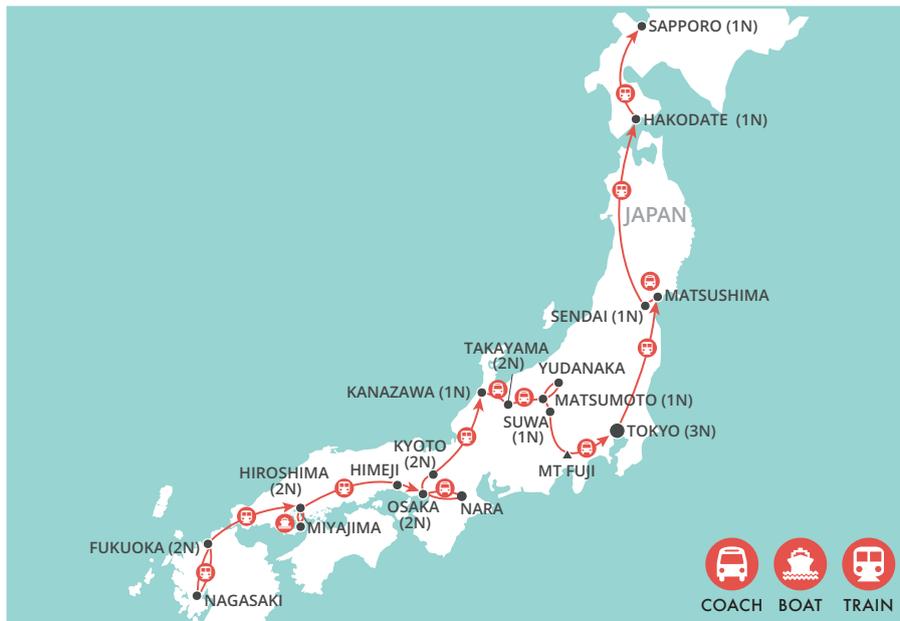
The day begins with a visit to Kiyomizu-dera temple in Kyoto. Next, immerse yourself in the culture and enjoy the age-old rituals of a sacred tea ceremony, Zen mediation, and try your hand at fan painting. Also explore Gion – Kyoto's famous geisha district.

### DAY 9: EXPLORE KANAZAWA

Take the limited express train to Kanazawa and upon arrival, meander your way through Kenrokuen, one of the Three Great Gardens of Japan. Also visit the Nomura Samurai House and Kunani Pottery Factory.

### DAY 10: SHIRAKAWAGO VILLAGE

Drive south towards the Alps, stopping at Inami for a sake tasting and wooden cup making. Later, admire the gassho-style farmhouses at the UNESCO-listed village of Shirakawago, famous for their steep thatched roofs that resemble 'hands in prayer'. Continue to Takayama.



**DAY 11: DISCOVER TAKAYAMA**

Spend the morning at the Miyagawa market. Also visit the Takayama Floats Museum and Takayama Jinya. Enjoy the onsen facilities at your overnight hotel.

**DAY 12: SNOW MONKEYS**

Travel to Matsumoto and spend time at the Daio Wasabi Farm to see the plantations and learn about its cultivation. Continue to the town of Yudanaka and head to Jigokudani Yaen-Koen. Hike through a picturesque forested valley to the hot pools where you may see the famous Japanese macaques (snow monkeys) bathe and play before returning to Matsumoto.

**DAY 13: MATSUMOTO CASTLE**

Begin the day with a visit to the magnificent 16th-century Matsumoto Castle, also known as 'Crow Castle', due to its intense black exterior. Next, head to a miso house and learn about the process of making this famous Japanese seasoning. Also visit the former post town of Naraijuku. Continue to Suwa and enjoy the onsen facilities at your hotel.

**DAY 14: MOUNT FUJI**

Travel to Hakone and ascend 2,400 metres to Fuji's 5th Station (weather permitting). Also, enjoy a peaceful cruise on Lake Ashi before taking to the skies on the Komagatake Ropeway. Next, continue to Tokyo by road.

**DAY 15: TOUR TOKYO**

Begin the day with a stroll through Hamarikyū Gardens. Next, take part in a sushi making class, and enjoy your own creations for lunch! Later, soak up the atmosphere at Sensoji, browse the stalls on Nakamise shopping street and drive by the Imperial Palace Plaza.

**DAY 16: TOKYO HIGHLIGHTS**

Begin the day at the Tokyo Metropolitan Building and ascend to the observation deck for breathtaking views over the sprawling city. Next, soak up the atmosphere at the peaceful Meiji Jingu Shrine and drive by the world-famous Shibuya crossing. End the day with a relaxing yakata boat dinner cruise on the waters of Tokyo Bay; the perfect vantage point from which to admire the city lights.

**DAY 17: SIP WHISKY IN SENDAI**

Let the bullet train whisk you north to Sendai, the largest city in Tohoku. Transfer to the coast and enjoy a relaxing cruise on Matsushima Bay. Also, visit Zuiganji Temple and the famous Nikka Whisky factory in Sendai.

**DAY 18: EXPLORE HAKODATE**

Say goodbye to Honshu Island as you board the bullet train to Hakodate located on Hokkaido, Japan's northernmost island. Visit the Goryokaku Tower, a star shaped fortress, followed by some time at leisure. This evening, journey on the Mt Hakodate Ropeway and enjoy the fabulous views of the city below. Enjoy the onsen facilities at your hotel.

**DAY 19: SAPPORO SIGHTSEEING**

Board the bullet train to Sapporo, the final stop on this three-week adventure. Admire the Clock Tower and Odori Park, then stop by the Sapporo Beer Museum and enjoy a tasting or two before this evening's farewell dinner.

**DAY 20: DEPART SAPPORO**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

**CLASSIC**  
JAPAN

PHYSICAL RATING



**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**

An all-encompassing journey through Japan, travelling chiefly by bullet train and taking in the highlights of all three main islands: Kyushu, Honshu and Hokkaido.

**PRICES & DEPARTURES**

Departing days of the week vary during peak season

**2025 DATES**

15 Mar - 03 Apr	\$12,660	19 Sep - 08 Oct	\$12,270
18 Mar - 06 Apr	\$12,660	03 Oct - 22 Oct	\$12,660
19 Mar - 07 Apr	\$12,660	07 Oct - 26 Oct	\$12,660
21 Mar - 09 Apr	\$12,660	10 Oct - 29 Oct	\$12,660
23 Mar - 11 Apr	\$12,660	12 Oct - 31 Oct	\$12,660
25 Mar - 13 Apr	\$12,660	14 Oct - 02 Nov	\$12,660
27 Mar - 15 Apr	\$12,660	16 Oct - 04 Nov	\$12,660
28 Mar - 16 Apr	\$12,660	17 Oct - 05 Nov	\$12,660
29 Mar - 17 Apr	\$12,660	18 Oct - 06 Nov	\$12,660
01 Apr - 20 Apr	\$12,660	21 Oct - 09 Nov	\$12,660
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08 Apr - 27 Apr	\$12,660	24 Oct - 12 Nov	\$12,660
11 Apr - 30 Apr	\$12,660	26 Oct - 14 Nov	\$12,660
09 May - 28 May	\$12,270	28 Oct - 16 Nov	\$12,660
16 May - 04 Jun	\$12,270	31 Oct - 19 Nov	\$12,660
06 Jun - 25 Jun	\$12,270	04 Nov - 23 Nov	\$12,660
13 Jun - 02 Jul	\$12,270	07 Nov - 26 Nov	\$12,660
20 Jun - 09 Jul	\$12,270	11 Nov - 30 Nov	\$12,660
12 Sep - 01 Oct	\$12,270		

**2026 DATES**

15 Mar - 03 Apr	\$13,460	19 Sep - 08 Oct	\$13,190
17 Mar - 05 Apr	\$13,460	26 Sep - 15 Oct	\$13,190
19 Mar - 07 Apr	\$13,460	03 Oct - 22 Oct	\$13,190
21 Mar - 09 Apr	\$13,460	07 Oct - 26 Oct	\$13,190
23 Mar - 11 Apr	\$13,460	10 Oct - 29 Oct	\$13,190
25 Mar - 13 Apr	\$13,460	12 Oct - 31 Oct	\$13,190
27 Mar - 15 Apr	\$13,460	14 Oct - 02 Nov	\$13,190
29 Mar - 17 Apr	\$13,460	16 Oct - 04 Nov	\$13,190
31 Mar - 19 Apr	\$13,460	18 Oct - 06 Nov	\$13,190
02 Apr - 21 Apr	\$13,460	20 Oct - 08 Nov	\$13,190
04 Apr - 23 Apr	\$13,460	22 Oct - 10 Nov	\$13,190
06 Apr - 25 Apr	\$13,460	24 Oct - 12 Nov	\$13,190
08 Apr - 27 Apr	\$13,460	26 Oct - 14 Nov	\$13,190
09 May - 28 May	\$13,190	28 Oct - 16 Nov	\$13,190
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06 Jun - 25 Jun	\$13,190	02 Nov - 21 Nov	\$13,190
13 Jun - 02 Jul	\$13,190	04 Nov - 23 Nov	\$13,190
20 Jun - 09 Jul	\$13,190	06 Nov - 25 Nov	\$13,190
12 Sep - 01 Oct	\$13,190	08 Nov - 27 Nov	\$13,190

**Supplement information**

- Based on land only (Fukuoka - Sapporo)
- Single room from \$2,630
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MONGOLIA

• ULAANBAATAR

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• TURPAN

DUNHUANG    JIAYUGUAN

CHINA

• DATONG

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• BEIJING

SOUTH KOREA

• SEOUL

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• XIAN

• LUOYANG

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• YANGTZE RIVER

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• SHANGHAI

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• LIJIANG

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• CHENGDU

• CHONGQING

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• WULONG

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• GUILIN

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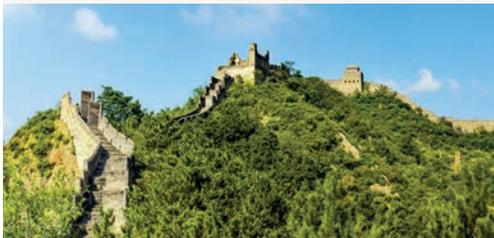
# Discover China with Wendy Wu Tours

China is a colossal nation of unrivalled history, incredible sights and fascinating culture. We have the expertise to cover every corner of this extraordinary land; here are some of our favourite destinations...

## WENDY'S TOP 8 CHINA SIGHTS

### 1 BEIJING

Capital city, imperial treasure trove and home to the Forbidden City and the Great Wall of China, Beijing is featured on the majority of China tours.



### 2 XIAN

Xian is best known for the Terracotta Warriors. With its illustrious past and rich history, it's a must-see on most of our China tours.



### 3 SHANGHAI

Once known as 'Paris of the East', Shanghai is China's great metropolis where East and West collide on streets lined with futuristic skyscrapers and 10th-century temples.



### 4 CHENGDU

The gateway to Sichuan province and the home of the cuddly giant panda. As we all love pandas, Chengdu appears on a number of tours.



### 5 YANGTZE RIVER

China's vital waterway brings together a plethora of unmissable sights. A Yangtze River cruise is included on a number of our tours.



### 6 GUILIN

Cruise through the breathtaking landscapes of the Li River to vibrant Yangshuo. Both Guilin and Yangshuo are featured on a number of tours.



### 7 LIJIANG

Located amongst Yunnan's most dramatic mountain landscapes, you can explore Lijiang on several of our tours and it's well worth the visit.



### 8 LHASA

Tibet's magical capital, a city on the roof of the world, Lhasa features on our Lhasa Extension. Please visit our website for full range of tours.



# A CHINA EXPERIENCE

9 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$3,010

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Admire Shanghai's bright lights
- ✓ Find the past in Zhujiajiao
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Spend time in traditional hutongs
- ✓ Explore the Summer Palace



Explore the sleepy water town of Zhujiajiao

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 8 breakfasts, 7 lunches & 8 dinners
- Domestic flights and transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Learn about jade, the sacred stone

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Jade has long been a sacred stone to the Chinese people, said to bring fortune and prosperity to those who wear it. Visit a jade factory where you can learn more about its origins, its importance and how it is crafted.
- ▶ Tuck into a delicious feast of Beijing's best known dish, Peking Duck, a cherished delicacy that offers a true taste of imperial China and a long-time favourite of locals and visitors alike!
- ▶ Venture into Beijing's atmospheric old neighbourhoods, the hutongs, exploring the narrow alleyways and visiting the traditional courtyard house of a family, who will give you a glimpse into their daily life.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE SHANGHAI

Arrive in the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai and transfer to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 2: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Shanghai is China's great metropolis, where east and west collide on streets lined with futuristic skyscrapers and 10th-century temples. Today's explorations include the traditional Yu Garden, a silk factory and a stop in the old town. Also admire the magnificent colonial architecture with a stroll along the Bund. This evening view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise. Dinner tonight will be traditional Shanghainese cuisine.

### DAY 3: ZHUJIAJIAO WATER TOWN

Visit Zhujiajiao, one of Shanghai's sleepy water towns, built on an old canal system once used to transport goods all over imperial China. The town's narrow alleyways exude old-world charm, whilst the waterways are lined with ancient buildings and crossed by stone bridges. Return to Shanghai and visit the Shanghai Museum and explore People's Square.

### DAY 4: FLY TO XIAN

Fly to Xian, the ancient former capital with a history spanning 3,100 years. This afternoon, spend time walking through the atmospheric alleys of the Muslim Quarter, which are lined with food stalls. Here you will gain an insight into the city's fascinating culture and significance as the start of the Silk Road.

### DAY 5: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors and horses who stand in their original formations at the exact location they were excavated. Also visit the workshop of the craftsmen who recreate terracotta warriors in the style of their ancient counterparts. Later, stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th-century ancient city walls that enclose Xian's old town. Tonight, feast on traditional Shui Jiao dumplings before a captivating performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

### DAY 6: BULLET TRAIN TO BEIJING

Board the bullet train to Beijing, China's capital city. End the day watching a thrilling Chinese acrobatic show.



Explore the Muslim Quarter



**CLASSIC**  
CHINA

PHYSICAL RATING 1

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
This introductory tour offers a glimpse of China's glorious past, fascinating present and bright future. Visit the contrasting cities of Xian, Beijing and Shanghai. The pace is full on, but well worth it.



See the famous Terracotta Army



Walk on the Great Wall

**DAY 7: IMPERIAL BEIJING**

Head to Beijing's symbolic heart and stroll across Tiananmen Square, one of the largest public squares in the world. Head into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Passing through the Gate of Supreme Harmony enter a vast complex of over 900 buildings, covering an area of 180 acres. Later, soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape. Enjoy a leisurely stroll through Beijing's hutongs, some dating back 700 years. These narrow alleys are known for their labyrinthine layout, traditional courtyard homes, and a sense of community that has been preserved for centuries. Meet a local family to get a glimpse of old Beijing's rich culture and experience first-hand the unique hutong way of life.

**DAY 8: THE GREAT WALL**

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the sheer magnificence of the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that it crosses. Stop by a jade factory then spend the afternoon strolling through the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace and the traditional Chinese gardens. Today's sightseeing is the perfect way to build up your appetite for Beijing's most famous delicacy – Peking duck.

**DAY 9: DEPART BEIJING**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

**LOOKING FOR A PRIVATE TOUR?**

Call to find out more about our Private tour collection.



Stroll along the Bund, Shanghai

**PRICES & DEPARTURES**  
Departure days of the week vary

**2025 DATES**

26 Mar - 03 Apr	\$3,010	27 Aug - 04 Sep	\$3,540
06 Apr - 14 Apr	\$3,140	07 Sep - 15 Sep	\$3,410
13 Apr - 21 Apr	\$3,140	14 Sep - 22 Sep	\$3,410
07 May - 15 May	\$3,140	08 Oct - 16 Oct	\$3,410
11 May - 19 May	\$3,140	12 Oct - 20 Oct	\$3,410
18 May - 26 May	\$3,800	19 Oct - 27 Oct	\$3,930
15 Jun - 23 Jun	\$3,270	02 Nov - 10 Nov	\$3,410
20 Jul - 28 Jul	\$3,540		

**2026 DATES**

19 Mar - 27 Mar	\$3,140	08 Aug - 16 Aug	\$3,670
01 Apr - 09 Apr	\$3,140	02 Sep - 10 Sep	\$3,540
05 Apr - 13 Apr	\$3,270	06 Sep - 14 Sep	\$3,410
11 Apr - 19 Apr	\$3,270	18 Sep - 26 Sep	\$3,410
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09 Jul - 17 Jul	\$3,670	08 Nov - 16 Nov	\$3,270

**Supplement information**

- Based on land only (Shanghai– Beijing)
- Single room from \$560
- Tipping paid locally RMB 450

**Dedicated solos departure**

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**GREAT WALL HIKE EXTENSION**  
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3 days from \$1,180pp

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3 days from \$410pp

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# MAJESTIC YANGTZE

13 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$3,800

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Admire Shanghai's bright lights
- ✓ Cruise the Yangtze River
- ✓ Watch giant pandas play
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Discover ancient Ciqikou



Enjoy the beauty of the Yangtze River

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 12 breakfasts, 11 lunches & 12 dinners
- Domestic flights and transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Explore the old town of Ciqikou

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Explore the narrow cobble lanes of Ciqikou's old town, a district known for its porcelain production during the Ming and Qing dynasties as well as its traditional architecture.
- ▶ Cruise through Qutang, Wu and Xiling gorges, otherwise known as the Three Gorges, admiring the magnificent scenery from the comfort of your Yangtze River cruise vessel and learning about its epic history from your onboard expert.
- ▶ Explore the quirks of local culture in Chengdu at the fascinating 'Matchmaker's Corner', a place where parents search for potential suitors for their children.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE SHANGHAI

Arrive in the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai and transfer to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 2: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Shanghai is China's great metropolis, where east and west collide on streets lined with futuristic skyscrapers and 10th-century temples. Today's explorations include the classical Yu Garden, a stop in the old town and learning about the age-old silk production process at a silk factory. Later admire the magnificent colonial architecture with a stroll along the Bund and view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise. The skyscrapers and glimmering lights are a sight to behold, Shanghai is unlike any other city in the world. Tonight, savour some traditional Shanghaiese cuisine.

### DAY 3: MODERN PUDONG

Spend the morning seeing the sights of the ultramodern Pudong area, also known as the financial district of the city with its skyscraper buildings. Later, fly to Yichang where you will board the Yangtze River cruise vessel.

### DAYS 4-6: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

A man-made marvel, the Three Gorges Dam showcases a massive feat of engineering. But as you cruise upstream nature takes over, revealing some of the world's most dramatic scenery including the Three Gorges themselves. Over the next three days, take a side trip to the attractive Shennong or Goddess Stream and enjoy various shore excursions.

### DAY 7: HISTORIC CIQIKOU

Disembarking the cruise vessel in Chongqing, explore old Ciqikou, a district known for its porcelain production during the Ming and Qing dynasties. Ciqikou's narrow streets are perfect for a morning stroll to admire the historical, traditional architecture. Transfer to Chengdu and enjoy a delicious Sichuanese meal for dinner with the option of a performance of Sichuan Opera, famous for its 'face-changing'.

### DAY 8: PANDAS

Start your day with a visit to Chengdu's renowned Panda Conservation Base, where you can see and learn about China's cherished pandas in a habitat mirroring their natural surroundings. Explore the museum to gain insights into the reserve's breeding efforts. Later, take a bullet train to the former imperial capital of Xian. This evening a delicious feast of traditional Shui Jiao dumplings and a captivating performance of Tang Dynasty dancing awaits.

### DAY 9: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

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**CLASSIC**  
CHINA

PHYSICAL RATING

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
One of our most popular tours covers the enthralling cities of Shanghai, Xian, Beijing as well as the unforgettable giant pandas of Chengdu. The highlight, though, is a relaxing four-night cruise on the majestic Yangtze River.



Explore the delights of Shanghai



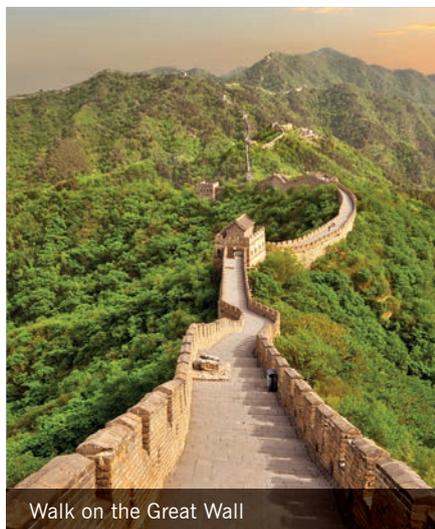
Watch giant pandas play

**DAY 10: BULLET TRAIN TO BEIJING**

Board the bullet train to Beijing. China's capital, a treasure trove of sights, beneath layers of modernity this fast-paced mega city hides three millennia worth of tumultuous but glorious history.

**DAY 11: IMPERIAL BEIJING**

Head to Tiananmen Square, Beijing's symbolic heart, and into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. Entering through the Gate of Supreme Harmony, you will find a complex full of imperial riches. Also soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape, and end the day watching a Chinese acrobatic show.



Walk on the Great Wall

**DAY 12: THE GREAT WALL**

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**DAY 13: DEPART BEIJING**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

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**GREAT WALL HIKE EXTENSION**

3 days from \$1,140pp

**ESSENTIAL DUBAI STOPOVER**

3 days from \$390pp

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**PRICES & DEPARTURES**

Departing Tuesday returning Sunday

**2025 DATES**

18 Mar - 30 Mar	\$3,800	15 Jul - 27 Jul	\$4,200
25 Mar - 06 Apr	\$3,800	05 Aug - 17 Aug	\$4,200
01 Apr - 13 Apr	\$3,930	02 Sep - 14 Sep	\$4,070
08 Apr - 20 Apr	\$3,930	09 Sep - 21 Sep	\$4,070
10 Apr - 22 Apr	\$4,860*	11 Sep - 23 Sep	\$4,990*
15 Apr - 27 Apr	\$3,930	16 Sep - 28 Sep	\$4,070
29 Apr - 11 May	\$3,930	07 Oct - 19 Oct	\$4,070
06 May - 18 May	\$3,930	09 Oct - 21 Oct	\$4,990*
08 May - 20 May	\$4,860*	14 Oct - 26 Oct	\$4,070
13 May - 25 May	\$3,930	21 Oct - 02 Nov	\$4,070
20 May - 01 Jun	\$3,930	06 Nov - 18 Nov	\$3,930*
03 Jun - 15 Jun	\$3,930	11 Nov - 23 Nov	\$3,930

**2026 DATES**

19 Mar - 31 Mar	\$3,930*	21 Jul - 02 Aug	\$4,460
24 Mar - 05 Apr	\$3,930	04 Aug - 16 Aug	\$4,460
31 Mar - 12 Apr	\$4,070	11 Aug - 23 Aug	\$4,460
07 Apr - 19 Apr	\$4,070	01 Sep - 13 Sep	\$4,200
09 Apr - 21 Apr	\$4,990*	08 Sep - 20 Sep	\$4,200
14 Apr - 26 Apr	\$4,070	10 Sep - 22 Sep	\$5,120*
28 Apr - 10 May	\$4,070	15 Sep - 27 Sep	\$4,200
05 May - 17 May	\$4,200	17 Sep - 29 Sep	\$4,200*
07 May - 19 May	\$5,250*	06 Oct - 18 Oct	\$4,200
12 May - 24 May	\$4,070	08 Oct - 20 Oct	\$5,250*
19 May - 31 May	\$4,070	13 Oct - 25 Oct	\$4,200
26 May - 07 Jun	\$4,070	20 Oct - 01 Nov	\$4,200
02 Jun - 14 Jun	\$4,070	27 Oct - 08 Nov	\$4,200
09 Jun - 21 Jun	\$4,070	05 Nov - 17 Nov	\$4,070*
14 Jul - 26 Jul	\$4,460	10 Nov - 22 Nov	\$4,070

\*Days of the week different from those stated

**Supplement information**

- Based on land only (Shanghai – Beijing)
- Single room from \$970
- Tipping paid locally RMB 700

**Dedicated solos departure**

Excludes international flights and China visa; please request at time of booking.

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# WONDERS OF CHINA

15 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$4,590

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Watch giant pandas play
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Stay in rural Yangshuo
- ✓ Cruise the Yangtze River
- ✓ Admire Shanghai's bright lights

Explore the amazing landscapes of Yangshuo

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 14 breakfasts, 13 lunches & 14 dinners
- Domestic flights and transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Discover Beijing's hutongs

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Venture into Beijing's atmospheric old neighbourhoods, the hutongs, exploring the narrow alleyways, passing traditional courtyard houses and getting a glimpse of the residents' day to day life.
- ▶ The Li River is the perfect vantage point from which to soak up the dramatic beauty of the surrounding karst landscapes, as you'll discover on a peaceful cruise on its gentle waters.
- ▶ Savour traditional Shui Jiao (a Xian speciality), delicious, boiled dumplings with a range of savoury fillings served with a dipping sauce of vinegar and soy sauce. As you eat, you'll be immersed in the opulence of the Tang Dynasty through a exuberant dance show.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE BEIJING

Arrive in Beijing, China's historical capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 2: IMPERIAL BEIJING

This morning, head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square, and stroll into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. A monument to dynasties past, enter through the Gate of Supreme Harmony, into a complex of a thousand rooms and many imperial treasures. Take a leisurely stroll through the narrow alleys of the warren-like hutongs and learn more about living in this traditional area. Later, soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape. This evening, sit down to a traditional dinner of Peking duck.

### DAY 3: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight, the Great Wall, which stretches over 4,000 miles from the Shanhaiguan Pass on the east coast to the Gobi Desert in the west. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that it crosses. You will then visit a jade factory to learn more about this precious stone – there is also the opportunity to buy handcrafted pieces. Jade is revered throughout China, it is said to bring fortune and prosperity to those who wear it. Enjoy the afternoon strolling through the idyllic gardens of the Summer Palace and admire the traditional Chinese landscapes and exquisite architecture.

### DAY 4: TANG DYNASTY DANCING

Board the bullet train to Xian, the ancient former capital. Take a walking tour of the narrow and winding streets of the lively Muslim Quarter and gain an insight into the city's fascinating culture and significance as the start of the Silk Road. In the evening, enjoy a dumpling feast and Tang Dynasty dancing show.

### DAY 5: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors and horses. Also visit the workshop to see where the warriors are intricately recreated in the style of their ancient counterparts and stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th-century city walls that enclose Xian's old town.

### DAY 6: BOARD YOUR CRUISE

Fly to Yichang where you will board your Yangtze River cruise vessel.

### DAYS 7-9: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

A man-made marvel, the Three Gorges Dam showcases a massive feat of engineering. But as you cruise upstream nature takes over, revealing some of the world's most dramatic scenery. Over the next three days prepare for one breathtaking panorama after another, take a side trip to the attractive Shennong or Goddess Stream and enjoy various shore excursions.

### DAY 10: CHONGQING PANDA HOUSE

Disembark from the cruise vessel and visit the Panda House in Chongqing. Later, board the bullet train to Guilin.



**CLASSIC**  
CHINA

PHYSICAL RATING

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
This hugely popular tour journeys through some of China's most iconic sights from Beijing's Great Wall, Xian's warriors, and picturesque Guilin to the mighty Yangtze River. Expect a busy but fun-filled tour.



**DAY 11: LI RIVER CRUISE**

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to the charming town of Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view to take your breath away as jagged karst peaks loom over rural scenes of lush greenery, grazing buffalo and local fishermen.

**DAY 12: YANGSHUO**

Yangshuo sits in an exquisite rural location, surrounded by landscapes of emerald-green paddy fields and dramatic limestone karsts. Spend the morning exploring the countryside before returning to Guilin by road. Explore the impressive Reed Flute Cave and visit the South China Pearl Factory before stopping for a photo opportunity on the banks of the Li River to meet a cormorant fisherman.

**DAY 13: HUANGPU RIVER CRUISE**

Take a walk around the picturesque Ronghu and Shanhu Lake and admire the Sun and Moon pagodas. Fly to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai. This evening, view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise.

**DAY 14: DISCOVER SHANGHAI**

Visit the charming Yu Garden, the old town and a silk factory and admire the colonial architecture with a stroll along the Bund. This evening, enjoy some tasty traditional Shanghainese cuisine.

**DAY 15: DEPART SHANGHAI**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

EXTEND YOUR STAY...

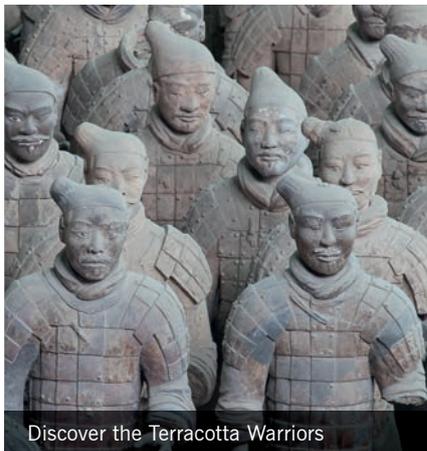


**LHASA EXTENSION**  
3 days from \$1,180pp

**ZHANGJIAJIE EXTENSION**  
4 days from \$1,170pp

**HONG KONG GLIMPSES STOPOVER**  
3 days from \$410pp

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PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing Sunday returning Monday

2025 DATES

17 Mar - 31 Mar	\$4,590	11 Aug - 25 Aug	\$4,990
07 Apr - 21 Apr	\$4,590	01 Sep - 15 Sep	\$4,990
14 Apr - 28 Apr	\$4,730	06 Sep - 20 Sep	\$4,990
26 Apr - 10 May*	\$4,730	08 Sep - 22 Sep*	\$4,990
28 Apr - 12 May	\$4,730	15 Sep - 29 Sep	\$4,990
05 May - 19 May	\$4,730	20 Sep - 04 Oct*	\$4,990
10 May - 24 May*	\$4,730	06 Oct - 20 Oct	\$4,990
12 May - 26 May	\$4,730	13 Oct - 27 Oct	\$4,990
17 May - 31 May*	\$5,650	18 Oct - 01 Nov*	\$5,780
19 May - 02 Jun	\$4,730	20 Oct - 03 Nov	\$4,990
26 May - 09 Jun	\$4,730	27 Oct - 10 Nov	\$4,730
09 Jun - 23 Jun	\$4,730	03 Nov - 17 Nov	\$4,730
14 Jul - 28 Jul	\$4,990	10 Nov - 24 Nov	\$4,730
04 Aug - 18 Aug	\$4,990		

2026 DATES

16 Mar - 30 Mar	\$4,730	13 Jul - 27 Jul	\$5,250
23 Mar - 06 Apr	\$4,730	10 Aug - 24 Aug	\$5,250
30 Mar - 13 Apr	\$5,780	31 Aug - 14 Sep	\$5,120
06 Apr - 20 Apr	\$4,860	05 Sep - 19 Sep*	\$5,910
13 Apr - 27 Apr	\$4,860	07 Sep - 21 Sep	\$5,120
25 Apr - 09 May*	\$4,860	14 Sep - 28 Sep	\$5,120
27 Apr - 11 May	\$4,860	19 Sep - 03 Oct*	\$5,120
04 May - 18 May	\$4,990	05 Oct - 19 Oct	\$5,120
11 May - 25 May	\$4,990	12 Oct - 26 Oct	\$5,120
16 May - 30 May*	\$5,910	17 Oct - 31 Oct*	\$6,050
18 May - 01 Jun	\$4,860	19 Oct - 02 Nov	\$4,990
25 May - 08 Jun	\$4,860	26 Oct - 09 Nov	\$4,990
08 Jun - 22 Jun	\$4,860	02 Nov - 16 Nov	\$4,860
20 Jun - 04 Jul*	\$4,860	09 Nov - 23 Nov	\$4,860

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Supplement information

- Based on land only (Beijing – Shanghai)
- Single room from \$990
- Tipping paid locally RMB 810

Dedicated solos departure

Excludes international flights and China visa; please request at time of booking.

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# MAGNIFICENT CHINA

21 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$4,990

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Watch giant pandas play
- ✓ Stay in rural Yangshuo
- ✓ Cruise the Yangtze River
- ✓ Stroll old gardens in Suzhou

Enjoy a trip down the Li River

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 20 breakfasts, 19 lunches & 20 dinners
- Domestic flights and transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Visit a traditional tea house in Chengdu

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ At the heart of a huge tea-producing region and once a stop on the Tea Horse Road, drinking tea is an essential element of life in Chengdu. Visit a traditional tea house to experience the history, customs and the perfect brew.
- ▶ Discover the captivating charm of Suzhou as you glide through its tranquil waterways, enjoying a boat ride along the storied Grand Canal, where the essence of the city's rich history and vibrant culture comes to life.
- ▶ Spend an evening exploring China's long and fascinating history in a breathtaking show of martial arts, acrobatics and stunning special effects – the fantastic ERA Show at the Shanghai Circus World.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE BEIJING

Arrive in Beijing, China's historic capital, and transfer to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 2: IMPERIAL BEIJING

This morning, head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square and stroll into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City to discover a complex full of imperial riches. Take a leisurely stroll through the narrow alleys of the warren-like hutongs and learn more about living in this traditional area. This evening, sit down to a traditional dinner of Peking duck.

### DAY 3: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Stretching thousands of miles from the Yellow Sea to the Gobi Desert, a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the sheer magnificence of the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that surrounds it. Visit a jade factory then spend the afternoon at the idyllic Summer Palace, wandering through traditional Chinese gardens and seeing the exquisite architecture.

### DAY 4: TEMPLE OF HEAVEN

Spend the morning soaking up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape. Later, take the bullet train to Xian, the ancient former capital.

### DAY 5: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever

since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors and horses. Also visit the Xian Art Ceramics and Lacquer Workshop to see where the warriors are intricately recreated. Tonight, feast on traditional Shui Jiao dumplings and watch a Tang Dynasty dance show.

### DAY 6: ANCIENT CITY WALL

Visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda and take a stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th-century city walls that enclose Xian's old town. Later this afternoon, explore the narrow streets of the atmospheric Muslim Quarter, which are lined with Islamic food stalls. Here, you will gain an insight into the city's fascinating culture and significance as the start of the Silk Road.

### DAY 7: BULLET TRAIN TO CHENGDU

Board the bullet train to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan Province. Tonight, there is an option to see a performance of Sichuan Opera, famous for its 'face-changing'.

### DAY 8: CHENGDU GIANT PANDAS

Visit Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre to see and learn about China's celebrated bears up close in surroundings that mirror their natural habitat. A look around the informative museum gives an overview of the reserve's breeding programme. Later, stroll through the vibrant People's Park with a stop at Matchmaker's Corner, where parents search for worthy suitors for their children. Also stop at a traditional tea house and wander through the Wide and Narrow Alleys. Tonight, dine on delicious Sichuanese food.



**CLASSIC**  
CHINA

PHYSICAL RATING

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
From the Great Wall and Terracotta Warriors, to cruising on the Yangtze and the breathtaking Li River, this tour encompasses China's most magnificent sights as well as spending a little extra time in its most exciting cities.



See the life-size Terracotta Warriors



Visit the Humble Administrator's Garden

**DAY 9: BOARD YOUR CRUISE**

Board the bullet train to Yichang to board your Yangtze River cruise vessel, where you will stay for the next four nights.

**DAYS 10-12: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE**

Visit The Three Gorges Dam which showcases a massive feat of engineering. As you cruise upstream, nature takes over revealing some of the world's most dramatic scenery including the Three Gorges themselves. Over the next few days prepare for one breathtaking panorama after another. Enjoy a side trip to the attractive Shennong or Goddess Stream, as well as various shore excursions.

**DAY 13: BULLET TRAIN TO GUILIN**

Disembark in Chongqing and then board the bullet train to the beautiful city of Guilin.

**DAY 14: LI RIVER CRUISE**

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to the charming town of Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view to take your breath away as jagged karst peaks loom over rural scenes of lush greenery, grazing buffalo and local fishermen.

**DAY 15: YANGSHUO**

Yangshuo sits in an exquisite rural location, surrounded by landscapes of emerald-green paddy fields and dramatic limestone karsts. Spend the morning exploring the countryside and stop on the banks of the Li River for a photo opportunity with a cormorant fisherman. This afternoon is at leisure where you can choose from the many optional activities available including cycling, bamboo rafting and hiking.

**DAY 16: DISCOVER GUILIN**

Travel back to Guilin and enjoy a walk around Ronghu Lake and Shanhu Lake to admire the Sun and Moon pagodas – two towering examples of traditional Chinese-Buddhist architecture. Discover the colourful stalagmites and stalactites of Reed Flute Cave and continue to the South China Pearl Factory to see the fascinating 1,700-year history of pearling in the South China Sea with displays and demonstrations.

**DAY 17: FLY TO SHANGHAI**

Fly to the exuberant and cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. Later, spend some time in the city's Xintiandi area, a vibrant entertainment district made up of traditional 19th-century Shikumen architecture.

**DAY 18: HISTORIC SUZHOU**

Travel to Suzhou. Suzhou is renowned for its gardens – visit one of its finest, the Humble Administrator's Garden. Cruise the Grand Canal before returning to Shanghai for a dinner of Shanghainese cuisine.

**DAYS 19-20: EXPLORE SHANGHAI**

Shanghai is China's great metropolis, where east and west collide. Visit Nanjing Road, People's Square and admire the architecture on the Bund. Later, view the city from the Huangpu River on a cruise. The next day visit a silk factory, the classical Yu Garden and stop in the old town before exploring futuristic Pudong. Tonight, enjoy the ERA acrobatic show.

**DAY 21: DEPART SHANGHAI**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

**PRICES & DEPARTURES**

Departure days of the week vary

**2025 DATES**

21 Mar - 10 Apr	\$4,990	18 Jul - 07 Aug	\$5,520
28 Mar - 17 Apr	\$4,990	08 Aug - 28 Aug	\$5,650
04 Apr - 24 Apr	\$6,440	05 Sep - 25 Sep	\$5,520
11 Apr - 01 May	\$5,120	12 Sep - 02 Oct	\$5,520
18 Apr - 08 May	\$5,120	19 Sep - 09 Oct	\$5,520
09 May - 29 May	\$5,120	10 Oct - 30 Oct	\$5,520
23 May - 12 Jun	\$5,120	24 Oct - 13 Nov	\$5,520
13 Jun - 03 Jul	\$5,250	31 Oct - 20 Nov	\$6,710

**2026 DATES**

15 Mar - 04 Apr	\$5,390	19 Jul - 08 Aug	\$5,910
24 Mar - 13 Apr	\$5,390	09 Aug - 29 Aug	\$5,910
07 Apr - 27 Apr	\$6,970	01 Sep - 21 Sep	\$5,780
12 Apr - 02 May	\$5,520	08 Sep - 28 Sep	\$5,780
21 Apr - 11 May	\$5,520	13 Sep - 03 Oct	\$5,780
05 May - 25 May	\$5,520	06 Oct - 26 Oct	\$5,780
12 May - 01 Jun	\$5,520	13 Oct - 02 Nov	\$5,780
19 May - 08 Jun	\$5,520	20 Oct - 09 Nov	\$7,230
14 Jun - 04 Jul	\$5,650	27 Oct - 16 Nov	\$5,780

**Supplement information**

- Based on land only (Beijing – Shanghai)
- Single room from \$1,390
- Tipping paid locally RMB 1,055

**Dedicated solos departure**

Excludes international flights and China visa; please request at time of booking.

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**EXTEND YOUR STAY...**



**GREAT WALL HIKE EXTENSION**

3 days from \$1,140pp

**NINE VILLAGES VALLEY EXTENSION**

3 days from \$2,040pp

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# CHINA BY RAIL

21 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$6,440

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Stay atop Yellow Mountain
- ✓ Discover old China in Dali
- ✓ Cruise the Li River
- ✓ Watch giant pandas play
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall

Admire views from Yellow Mountain

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 20 breakfasts, 19 lunches & 20 dinners
- Domestic flights and transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Journey by high-speed bullet train

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Glide through China's diverse landscapes aboard bullet trains, experiencing speed, comfort, and modernity. Connect with locals and witness the country's dynamic transformation from the window.
- ▶ Spend the night atop Huangshan, the Yellow Mountain, to admire the beauty of its scenery, acclaimed in Chinese art and literature for centuries, in the different lights of the day.
- ▶ Visit the village of Xizhou where, as well as browsing the laden stalls of the bustling, local market, you'll be able to see members of the Naxi minority community in their colourful, traditional dress.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE SHANGHAI

Arrive in the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai and transfer to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 2: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Shanghai is China's great metropolis, where east and west collide on streets lined with futuristic skyscrapers and 10th-century temples. Today's explorations include the Yu Garden, the old town and a silk factory. Admire the magnificent colonial architecture with a stroll along the Bund, before a trip on the super-fast electromagnetic Maglev train. This evening, view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise and dine on delicious Shanghaiese cuisine.

### DAY 3: YELLOW MOUNTAIN

Embark on a journey aboard the bullet train to Tunxi, and then ascend to the summit of Mount Huang, commonly known as Yellow Mountain, via cable car for an overnight stay atop the mountain. Enjoy the spectacular views of the oddly shaped peaks, rock formations, thousand-year-old pine trees and ever-changing mist, all of which have inspired local artists for centuries. Spend the afternoon exploring this stunning UNESCO World Heritage Site.

### DAY 4: TUNXI ANCIENT TOWN

Take the cable car down to the base of the mountain and explore the atmospheric town of Tunxi. The narrow cobbled streets are lined with pretty little shops selling anything from local snacks and tea, to paintbrushes, cultural relics and intricate wood carvings.

### DAY 5: ORANGE ISLAND

Journey by bullet train to Changsha, a vibrant metropolis steeped in history and surrounded by natural beauty. Explore the bamboo and sculpture gardens of Orange Island, where a towering 32-metre statue of Chairman Mao Zedong stands. As dusk falls, indulge in the lively night market's local delicacies, a taste of Changsha's culture.

### DAY 6: BULLET TRAIN TO GUILIN

Step into history at the Yuelu Academy, the historical hub of learning where ancient wisdom thrives. Then embark on a scenic journey as you traverse magnificent landscapes to reach Guilin's natural wonders.

### DAY 7: DISCOVER GUILIN

Embark on a tour to Elephant Trunk Hill, the iconic rock formation resembling an elephant drinking from the Li River. This afternoon, visit a pearl factory before setting sail on a serene cruise, navigating the network of canals and walkways of the Two Rivers and Four Lakes.

### DAY 8: LI RIVER CRUISE

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to charming Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view to take your breath away as jagged karst peaks loom over rural scenes of lush greenery, grazing buffalo and local fishermen. Disembark and wander Yangshuo's cobbled streets and vibrant markets. This evening, you have the option of enjoying the magical Sanjie Liu night show.

### DAY 9: BULLET TRAIN TO KUNMING

Board the bullet train to Kunming, capital of Yunnan province.



**CLASSIC**  
CHINA

PHYSICAL RATING 2

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
Embark on a modern odyssey across China, by bullet train! Mixing urban charm with natural grandeur, be captivated by the beauty of Mount Huang and the Li River, and discover the cities of Shanghai, Beijing, Kunming and Xian.



Discover Baisha village



Visit Chengdu's Panda Centre

**PRICES & DEPARTURES**  
Departing Saturday returning Friday

2025 DATES			
05 Apr - 25 Apr	\$6,440	11 Oct - 31 Oct	\$6,440
10 May - 30 May	\$6,440	18 Oct - 07 Nov	\$6,440
23 Aug - 12 Sep	\$6,440	08 Nov - 28 Nov	\$6,440
06 Sep - 26 Sep	\$6,440		

2026 DATES			
07 Mar - 27 Mar	\$6,570	21 Aug - 10 Sep	\$6,710*
03 Apr - 23 Apr	\$6,710*	04 Sep - 24 Sep	\$6,710*
08 May - 28 May	\$6,710*	09 Oct - 29 Oct	\$6,710*
22 May - 11 Jun	\$6,710*	16 Oct - 05 Nov	\$6,710*

\* Departing Friday returning Thursday

**Supplement information**

- Based on land only (Shanghai - Beijing)
- Single room from \$1,520
- Tipping paid locally RMB 1,010

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**DAY 10: EXPLORE KUNMING**

Meander through the formations of the UNESCO-listed Stone Forest, where towering limestone pillars stand tree-like in a fascinating illusion of woodland. Return to Kunming and in the evening, sample the local delicacy, Across the Bridge noodles.

**DAY 11: DALI'S ANCIENT TOWN**

Board the bullet train to Dali, a charming town that offers a peek at bygone China. Discover Dali's historic quarter and magnificent, age-old Three Pagodas before an evening stroll through the vibrant Foreigners' Street.

**DAY 12: ENCHANTING DALI**

Today, explore the village of Xizhou to browse its local market, visit the Yan family home and watch a tie-dying demonstration. Enjoy a relaxing cruise on the mirror-like waters of Erhai Lake, admiring the spectacular scenery provided by the Cang Mountains.

**DAY 13: LIJIANG OLD QUARTER**

Board the bullet train to Lijiang. Discover the old quarter; the quintessential Chinese 'old town' and wander the jumble of cobbled streets, traditional wooden buildings and rustic stone bridges.

**DAY 14: JADE DRAGON SNOW MOUNTAIN**

The Jade Dragon Snow Mountain comprises of several peaks, the tallest of which soars to 5,500 metres. Taking a cable car, explore one of the gorgeous high meadows and enjoy the amazing vistas. Later, visit Baisha old town to view its spectacular Ming Dynasty frescoes and Baisha village, a settlement of the Naxi minority people.

**DAY 15: TRAVEL TO CHENGDU**

Fly to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan Province.

**DAY 16: GIANT PANDAS**

Visit Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Base to see and learn about these celebrated bears up close in surroundings that mirror their natural habitat. Take the bullet train to Xian, the starting point of the fabled Silk Road with a history spanning 3,100 years.

**DAY 17: TANG DYNASTY DANCING**

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors and horses. Also visit the workshop to see where the warriors are intricately recreated in the style of their ancient counterparts and stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th-century city walls that enclose Xian's old town. In the evening, enjoy a dumpling feast and Tang Dynasty dancing show.

**DAYS 18-19: IMPERIAL BEIJING**

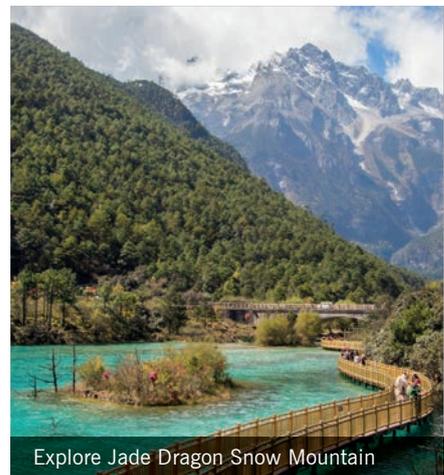
Board the bullet train to Beijing, China's historical capital. The next day, head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square, and stroll into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. Entering through the Gate of Supreme Harmony, you will find a complex full of imperial riches. Later, soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, before learning about evolution of China's railway systems at the China Railway Museum. The day's sightseeing is the perfect way to build up your appetite for Beijing's most famous delicacy – Peking duck.

**DAY 20: THE GREAT WALL**

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the sheer magnificence of the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that surrounds it. Visit a jade factory then spend the afternoon at the idyllic Summer Palace, wandering through traditional Chinese gardens and seeing the exquisite architecture.

**DAY 21: DEPART BEIJING**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.



Explore Jade Dragon Snow Mountain

# ANCIENT EMPIRES OF CHINA & JAPAN

19 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$8,820

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Discover historic Beijing
- ✓ See the Terracotta Warriors
- ✓ Admire Shanghai's bright lights
- ✓ Reflect in Hiroshima
- ✓ Admire Kyoto's temples
- ✓ Explore bustling Tokyo



Visit the beautiful Osaka Castle

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 18 breakfasts, 17 lunches & 18 dinners
- Domestic flights and transportation
- International flight from Shanghai - Osaka
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



See the historic hutongs of Beijing

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Explore the narrow, atmospheric alleyways of Beijing's old hutongs. Visit a family in their home, a traditional courtyard residence, to get a better idea of the culture and history of these neighbourhoods.
- ▶ Wander through the delightful Bikan Historical Quarter, stretched along Kurashiki's Edo Period canals, taking in the picturesque scenes of weeping willows, old stone bridges and lovely, traditional architecture.
- ▶ Ascend to the observation deck of the new Orizuru Tower. Rising high above Hiroshima it offers beautiful views over the Peace Memorial Park, the A-Bomb Dome and the city as a whole.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE BEIJING

Arrive in China's historical capital, Beijing, and transfer to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 2: WALK ON THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate the sheer magnificence of the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that surrounds it. In the afternoon, enjoy the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace. End the day enjoying a traditional Peking Duck dinner.

### DAY 3: EXPLORE THE FORBIDDEN CITY

Begin the day soaking up the harmonious ambience of the glorious Temple of Heaven, a series of imperial religious buildings, renowned for its intricate carvings, colourful patterns, complex designs and architectural styles. Next, take a leisurely stroll through a traditional hutong neighbourhood and visit a family at home to learn about life living in the hutongs. Later, head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square, before entering the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City to explore this complex full of imperial riches.

### DAY 4: TRAVEL TO XIAN

Board the bullet train to Xian. Visit the bustling Muslim Quarter before feasting on a traditional Shui Jiao dumpling dinner and a lively Tang Dynasty dance show.

### DAY 5: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first Emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever

since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors, followed by a visit to the workshop of the craftsmen who recreate them. Later, stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th-century city walls that enclose Xian's old town.

### DAY 6: FLY TO GUILIN

Fly to the beautiful city of Guilin.

### DAY 7: VISIT REED FLUTE CAVE

Begin today at the colourful stalagmites and stalactites of Reed Flute Cave and visit the South China Pearl Factory. Later, stroll around Ronghu Lake and admire the Sun and Moon Pagodas – two towering examples of traditional Chinese Buddhist architecture.

### DAY 8: CRUISE THE LI RIVER

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to the charming town of Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view to take your breath away as jagged karst peaks tower over rural scenes of lush greenery, grazing buffalo and local fishermen. Here, enjoy some time strolling along West Street and visit the local markets.

### DAY 9: FLY TO SHANGHAI

Return to Guilin by road, then fly to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai.

### DAY 10: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Today's explorations include the traditional Yu Garden, a stroll through the old town and learning about the age-old silk production process at a silk factory. Enjoy time at leisure to explore the Bund and Nanjing Road. This evening view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise.



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CHINA & JAPAN

PHYSICAL RATING

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
The ultimate tour for those wishing to combine the very best of two ancient nations. Join us on an incredible journey from Beijing to Tokyo by road, boat, rail and air on this epic three-week tour!



Discover the majestic landscapes of Guilin



Visit the manicured gardens of Korakuen

**DAY 11: GOODBYE CHINA, HELLO JAPAN**

It's time to say goodbye to China and hello to Japan! Fly to the vibrant city of Osaka.

**DAY 12: OSAKA CASTLE**

Explore Osaka Castle, take a short cruise along the Yodogawa River and stroll through vibrant Dotonbori, a restaurant mecca, where you can sample local delicacies for lunch. The remainder of the day is free for you to explore this fascinating city.

**DAY 13: DISCOVER OKAYAMA & KURASHIKI**

Transfer by bullet train to Okayama and visit Korakuen Garden, one of the 'Three Great Gardens of Japan'. Continue to Kurashiki to explore the beautifully-preserved Bikan Historical Quarter, where the streets along the banks of the Kurashiki River are lined with white-walled kominka (traditional houses). Continue to Hiroshima, a vibrant and forward-thinking city.

**DAY 14: EXPLORE HIROSHIMA & MIYAJIMA**

Hop on a ferry to the holy island of Miyajima and visit Itsukushima Shrine. Return to Hiroshima and find a moment to reflect at the Peace Memorial Park and Museum, which pays homage to the victims of the 1945 atomic bomb. Later, ascend to the observation deck of Orizuru Tower and enjoy the panoramic views.

**DAY 15: TRAVEL TO KYOTO**

Transfer by bullet train to Kyoto. Capital for 1,000 years, this enchanting city is the epitome of traditional Japan. Visit Ryoanji Temple, home to Japan's most famous Zen garden and Kinkakuji Temple, also known as the 'Golden Pavilion'.

**DAY 16: EXPLORE KYOTO**

Visit Fushimi Inari Shrine, remarkable for its 10,000 torii gates and then head to Nishiki Market, also known as 'Kyoto's Kitchen' with its lively open-air market specialising in all things food! Also visit a restored wooden Japanese townhouse to experience the rituals of a tea ceremony with a tea master and try your hand at the traditional art of origami.

**DAY 17: BULLET TRAIN TO HAKONE**

Transfer by bullet train to Hakone. Upon arrival, enjoy a boat trip on Lake Ashi before riding the Komagatake Ropeway cable car. Savour views of the surrounding landscape and, weather permitting, the breathtaking cone of Mount Fuji. Later, continue to Tokyo, Japan's iconic capital.

**DAY 18: CONTRASTS OF TOKYO**

Tokyo is the ultimate 24-hour city, but look behind its frantic, high-tech frontage and you will find plenty of tranquil backstreets and old temples to explore. Begin at the observation deck of the 634-metre Skytree, before wandering through the old district of Asakusa. Stop to explore the ancient Buddhist Sensoji Temple and drive past the Imperial Palace Plaza. Later, soak up the atmosphere at the peaceful Meiji Jingu Shrine. End your tour with a dinner cruise on the Tokyo Bay.

**DAY 19: DEPART TOKYO**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

**PRICES & DEPARTURES**

Departing Tuesday returning Saturday

**2025 DATES**

18 Mar - 05 Apr	SOLD OUT	14 Oct - 01 Nov	\$8,820
06 May - 24 May	SOLD OUT	21 Oct - 08 Nov	\$8,820
09 Sep - 27 Sep	SOLD OUT	28 Oct - 15 Nov	\$8,820
07 Oct - 25 Oct	SOLD OUT		

**2026 DATES**

10 Mar - 28 Mar	\$9,740	12 May - 30 May	\$9,480
17 Mar - 04 Apr	\$9,740	08 Sep - 26 Sep	\$9,480
24 Mar - 11 Apr	\$9,740	15 Sep - 03 Oct	\$9,480
31 Mar - 18 Apr	\$9,740	06 Oct - 24 Oct	\$9,480
07 Apr - 25 Apr	\$9,740	13 Oct - 31 Oct	\$9,480
05 May - 23 May	\$9,480	03 Nov - 21 Nov	\$9,480

**Supplement information**

- Based on land only (Beijing - Tokyo)
- Single room from \$1,680
- Tipping paid locally RMB520 (China)

Excludes international flights and China visa; please request at time of booking.

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Gaze at the Terracotta Army



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BANGKOK

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ANGKOR  
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## WENDY'S TOP 8 SOUTHEAST ASIA SIGHTS

### 1 HALONG BAY

Cruise on Halong Bay's tranquil waters and soak up the beauty of its foliage-cloaked islands on any Vietnam itinerary.



### 2 ANGKOR

The Angkor temples exude a rare majesty that few places on the planet can match – admire them on any itinerary featuring Cambodia.



### 3 MEKONG DELTA

Explore the lush Mekong Delta, meeting the locals and experiencing the culture, as part of a deluxe 4-night cruise included on our Classic Mekong and Mekong Explorer tours (pages 50-53).



### 4 LUANG PRABANG

Luang Prabang is one of the most captivating towns in Asia and is a place of great spiritual and natural beauty, which can be visited on our Laos Extension (page 81).



### 5 CHIANG MAI

The culturally rich city of Chiang Mai is an excellent destination for trekking, rafting, meeting hill tribes or visiting elephant sanctuaries. Visit on our Thailand Highlights tour (page 54).



### 6 SINGAPORE

Experience Singapore and its incomparable Sky Garden, discover the secrets of the Supertree Grove and marvel at its towering vertical gardens. Enquire about our Singapore Stopover packages.



### 7 HOI AN

Immerse yourself in Hoi An's charming lantern-lit streets, historic architecture, delicious cuisine and a serene coastal ambiance.



### 8 MUI NE

Escape to Mui Ne, a coastal paradise with golden sand dunes, water sports, seafood delights and a laid-back beachfront vibe. Extend your Vietnam tour (page 80).



# VIETNAM AT A GLANCE

11 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$3,030

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Explore fascinating Saigon
- ✓ Discover the Cu Chi Tunnels
- ✓ Drift along the Mekong Delta
- ✓ Be inspired by charming Hoi An
- ✓ Marvel at Hue's Imperial Citadel
- ✓ Wake to a Halong Bay sunrise



Explore the waters of the Mekong Delta

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 10 breakfasts, 9 lunches & 10 dinners
- Domestic flights and transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Visit Tra Que Village

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Try your hand at ancient cultivation techniques with members of the local farming community in Tra Que village and enjoy a cooking demonstration of a regional speciality.
- ▶ Explore the vibrant streets of Hanoi's Old Quarter by cyclo, stopping off at a café to sample a traditionally-made, local speciality, egg coffee.
- ▶ Experience charming Hoi An, including a visit to its bustling market and an old merchant's house. This is wonderfully laid-back and wilfully traditional place, whose streets are a delight to wander.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE SAIGON

Arrive in Saigon, Vietnam's most evocative city, and transfer to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 2: DISCOVER SAIGON & CU CHI

Spend the morning discovering the guerrilla warfare tactics of the Viet Cong at the famous Cu Chi Tunnels. Stop for lunch at an organic farm before returning to Saigon for an afternoon city tour. This exuberant city is driving Vietnam forward into the modern world, but it is also a treasure trove of fascinating heritage. See the colonial Notre Dame Cathedral and visit the Central Post Office, the Reunification Palace, and the emotive War Remnants Museum.

### DAY 3: MEKONG DELTA

Journey to Ben Tre to take a cruise on the Mekong. Paddle through the maze of palm-lined canals and get a glimpse of daily life on the Mekong Delta. Visit a bee farm for a taste of honey tea before enjoying a typical Mekong lunch. Return to Saigon, stopping en route to explore the historic Vinh Trang Pagoda and its beautiful gardens.

### DAY 4: HISTORIC HOI AN

Fly to Danang and transfer to Hoi An. This afternoon, take a walking tour of this charming town – a wonderfully laid back and wilfully traditional place, whose streets are a delight to wander. Visit an old merchant's house, Quan Cong Temple, the elaborate Japanese Bridge and the bustling market. Stop en route to visit Reaching Out, a social enterprise craft workshop employing staff with disabilities.

### DAY 5: TRA QUE VILLAGE

Head out into the countryside to Tra Que, a small farming community that supplies many hotels and restaurants in the area with vegetables and herbs. Here you can enjoy the lush green countryside, stroll through the gardens to see the farmers at work and try your hand at their traditional techniques. This afternoon is at leisure to shop, explore, or perhaps head to the beach.

### DAY 6: IMPERIAL HUE

Leave Hoi An for Hue, taking a scenic route over the Hai Van Pass. The epitome of Vietnam's dynastic past, Hue is a dignified and scholarly city. Visit the imposing Imperial Citadel and Forbidden Purple City. Once the stronghold of the Nguyen emperors, the citadel's atmosphere still retains the grandeur of its history. Take a cruise on the Perfume River before taking a visit to the Thien Mu Pagoda.

### DAY 7: ROYAL TOMBS & FLY TO HANOI

Visit the UNESCO World Heritage Royal Tomb of Minh Mang, a complex of 40 monuments set in surroundings of gardens and pools. This afternoon, fly to Hanoi, Vietnam's charming capital.

### DAY 8: EXPLORE HANOI

Sightseeing today includes a wander through the Ho Chi Minh Quarter, learning about this major figure of Vietnamese history. See his Mausoleum and the Presidential Palace, along with the humble Stilt House he called home. Also visit One Pillar Pagoda and the Confucian Temple of Literature. End the day's explorations with a cyclo tour through the Old Quarter and enjoy a flavourful Vietnamese egg coffee.



**CLASSIC**  
VIETNAM

PHYSICAL RATING

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
Have limited time but still want to experience Vietnam's top sights? With this tour you can experience all the key highlights, with visits to charming Hoi An, historic Hue, spectacular Halong Bay and more.



Explore Hue's imperial past



Cruise magnificent Halong Bay

**DAY 9: HALONG BAY CRUISE**

Board a traditional cruise ship on Halong Bay and cruise out into its tranquil scenery. A UNESCO World Heritage Site and a vision of awe-inspiring beauty, it's easy to see why it is one of Vietnam's most beloved destinations. Enjoy excursions such as kayaking or exploring island caves before returning to the ship for dinner.

**DAY 10: RETURN TO HANOI**

Rise early this morning for a beautiful sunrise over the bay. Return to Hanoi after brunch on deck and enjoy an afternoon at leisure.

**DAY 11: DEPART HANOI**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

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**PRICES AND DEPARTURES**

Departing Wednesday returning Saturday

**2025 DATES**

15 Jan - 25 Jan	\$3,290	24 Sep - 04 Oct	\$3,030
05 Feb - 15 Feb	\$3,290	08 Oct - 18 Oct	\$3,160
12 Feb - 22 Feb	\$3,290	15 Oct - 25 Oct	\$3,160
19 Feb - 01 Mar	\$3,560	22 Oct - 01 Nov	\$3,160
05 Mar - 15 Mar	SOLD OUT	29 Oct - 08 Nov	\$3,160
12 Mar - 22 Mar	\$3,290	05 Nov - 15 Nov	\$3,290
19 Mar - 29 Mar	SOLD OUT	12 Nov - 22 Nov	\$3,290
26 Mar - 05 Apr	\$3,290	19 Nov - 29 Nov	\$3,290
02 Apr - 12 Apr	\$3,290	26 Nov - 06 Dec	\$3,290
30 Jul - 09 Aug	\$3,160		

**2026 DATES**

14 Jan - 24 Jan	\$3,420	23 Sep - 03 Oct	\$3,160
21 Jan - 31 Jan	\$3,420	07 Oct - 17 Oct	\$3,290
04 Feb - 14 Feb	\$3,420	14 Oct - 24 Oct	\$3,290
25 Feb - 07 Mar	\$3,820	21 Oct - 31 Oct	\$3,290
04 Mar - 14 Mar	\$3,420	28 Oct - 07 Nov	\$3,290
11 Mar - 21 Mar	\$3,420	04 Nov - 14 Nov	\$3,420
18 Mar - 28 Mar	\$3,420	11 Nov - 21 Nov	\$3,420
01 Apr - 11 Apr	\$3,420	18 Nov - 28 Nov	\$3,420
29 Jul - 08 Aug	\$3,560		

**Supplement information**

- Based on land only from (Saigon - Hanoi)
- Single room from \$600
- Tipping paid locally US\$65

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Visit the Confucian Temple of Literature in Hanoi

# VIETNAM PANORAMA

17 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$3,560

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Visit Cai Rang floating market
- ✓ Ride Dalat's vintage train
- ✓ Swim in stunning Nha Trang
- ✓ Discover the past of Quy Nhon
- ✓ Wander charming Hoi An
- ✓ Marvel at Hue's Imperial Citadel
- ✓ Cruise spectacular Halong Bay



Explore Central Vietnam's stunning coastal towns

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 16 breakfasts, 15 lunches & 16 dinners
- Domestic flights and transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Watch the 'Quintessence of Tonkin' show

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Take your seats for 'the Quintessence of Tonkin', a spectacular open-air show performed on a lake-turned-stage by over 250 performers. Uncover the rich culture and history of northern Vietnam through music, song, dance and even dragon-boat racing!
- ▶ Explore the vibrant streets of Hanoi's Old Quarter by cyclo, stopping off at a café to sample a traditionally-made, local speciality, egg coffee.
- ▶ Cruise lazily through the crystal-clear waters of Nha Trang Bay passing amongst beach-fringed islands, stopping off at small fishing villages and, if you feel like it, taking a dip in the balmy waters yourself.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE SAIGON

Arrive in Saigon, Vietnam's most evocative city, and transfer to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 2: VISIT THE CU CHI TUNNELS

Visit the Cu Chi Tunnels, a hidden network of Viet Cong tunnels, bunkers and field hospitals used in the Vietnam War. Afterwards, enjoy a refreshing lunch at an organic farm. This afternoon, return to Saigon to explore its seamless blend of past and present. See Notre Dame Cathedral and visit the Central Post Office; dramatic legacies of a colonial past. Spend time at the Reunification Palace and the emotive War Remnants Museum.

### DAY 3: CRUISE THE MEKONG DELTA

Head west to Ben Tre to take a cruise through the Mekong Delta. This area is known as the 'Rice Basket of Vietnam'. Paddle through the palm-lined canals and visit a local bee farm for some honey tea. Enjoy a typical Mekong lunch before continuing to Can Tho, where we spend the night.



Visit Dalat's Flower Gardens

### DAY 4: EXPLORE FLOATING MARKETS

Visit the Cai Rang floating market to see the goods on sale and learn how vermicelli rice noodles are made. Return to Saigon.

### DAY 5: TRAVEL TO DALAT

Head up into the highlands to reach the hill town of Dalat, a former colonial retreat beloved for its cooler climate and picturesque scenery. En route, stop at a tea plantation to hear about tea cultivation in Bao Loc.

### DAY 6: THE CITY OF FLOWERS

Visit the Domaine de Marie Church, the Flower Gardens and an embroidery workshop. Later, board a vintage open-air train for a journey to the countryside hamlet of Trai Mat. End the day with a local coffee by Xuan Huong lake.

### DAY 7: TRAVEL TO NHA TRANG

Today, take the winding road down from the highlands and along the coast to Nha Trang, Vietnam's beach capital. Take to the turquoise waters for a cruise around the bay's many islands, and stop off to enjoy a swim in the balmy waters.

### DAY 8: VISIT THE CHAM TOWERS

Wander Dam market and visit the Po Nagar Cham Towers. Continue on to the seaside city of Quy Nhon, where we spend the night.

### DAY 9: VISIT SON MY

The Son My area saw one of the most horrific crimes of the Vietnam War – the My Lai massacre. Pay respects at the memorial placed in honour of these unarmed civilian victims and hear their story before continuing to Hoi An.



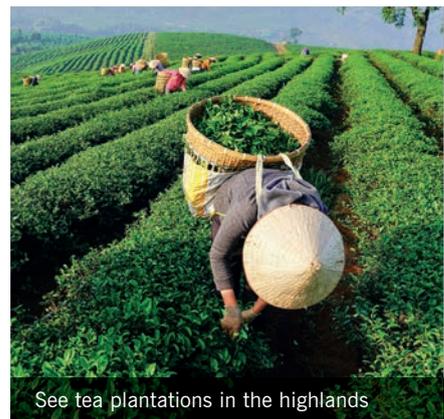
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VIETNAM

PHYSICAL RATING

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
This all-encompassing tour not only showcases Vietnam's highlights, but also allows extra time to discover the rich history of the lesser-visited Highlands and South Central Coast.



Cruise the waters of the magnificent Halong Bay



See tea plantations in the highlands

**DAY 10: EXPLORE HOI AN ON FOOT**

Take a morning walking tour of charming Hoi An – a wonderfully laid back and wilfully traditional town that has managed to retain the charms of a bygone era. Visit a historic family home, the Japanese Bridge, a Chinese temple and the market before an afternoon at leisure.

**DAY 11: SEE THE ROYAL TOMB**

Take the scenic route to Hue over the Hai Van Pass. Once the seat of the Nguyen emperors, this scholarly city retains the majesty of its imperial past. Visit the Royal Tomb of Emperor Minh Mang, a complex of over 40 monuments surrounded by pools and gardens.

**DAY 12: HUE'S IMPERIAL CITADEL**

Explore the imposing Imperial Citadel and the Forbidden Purple City within. Cruise along the Perfume River to visit An Hien House and the seven-storey Thien Mu Pagoda.

**DAY 13: OLD QUARTER CYCLO TOUR**

Take a quick flight to Hanoi, Vietnam's charming capital. Enjoy a cyclo tour of the atmospheric Old Quarter. Try a Hanoi speciality – egg coffee – before visiting the Ethnology Museum and exploring its life-size tribal longhouses.

**DAY 14: DISCOVER HANOI**

Explore the story of Ho Chi Minh on today's walking tour. See his Mausoleum and Presidential Palace, and visit the Humble House on Stilts he called home. Later, visit the One Pillar Pagoda and the beautiful Temple of Literature.

**DAY 15: CRUISE HALONG BAY**

This morning, embark on a cruise through the awe-inspiring beauty of Halong Bay. Swim, kayak or visit one of the bay's many caves before spending a night on board.

**DAY 16: RETURN TO HANOI**

Cruise back to port after brunch. On your final evening in Hanoi, attend the Quintessence of Tonkin show, a spectacular open-air performance celebrating the rich history of northern Vietnam.

**DAY 17: DEPART HANOI**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

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**PRICES AND DEPARTURES**

Departing Monday returning Wednesday

**2025 DATES**

03 Feb - 19 Feb	\$3,690	28 Jul - 13 Aug	\$3,560
10 Feb - 26 Feb	\$3,690	29 Sep - 15 Oct	\$3,560
17 Feb - 05 Mar	\$3,690	13 Oct - 29 Oct	\$3,560
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17 Mar - 02 Apr	\$3,690	03 Nov - 19 Nov	\$3,690
24 Mar - 09 Apr	\$3,690	10 Nov - 26 Nov	\$3,690
31 Mar - 16 Apr	\$3,690	17 Nov - 03 Dec	\$3,690

**2026 DATES**

26 Jan - 11 Feb	\$3,950	27 Jul - 12 Aug	\$3,820
23 Feb - 11 Mar	\$3,950	28 Sep - 14 Oct	\$3,820
02 Mar - 18 Mar	\$3,950	12 Oct - 28 Oct	\$3,820
09 Mar - 25 Mar	\$3,950	26 Oct - 11 Nov	\$3,820
16 Mar - 01 Apr	\$3,950	02 Nov - 18 Nov	\$3,950
23 Mar - 08 Apr	\$3,950	09 Nov - 25 Nov	\$3,950
30 Mar - 15 Apr	\$3,950	16 Nov - 02 Dec	\$3,950

**Supplement information**

- Based on land only (Saigon – Hanoi)
- Single room from \$860
- Tipping paid locally US\$95

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# ANGKOR TO THE BAY

16 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$5,030

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Be inspired by spectacular Angkor temples
- ✓ See the local life in Tonle Sap
- ✓ Visit captivating Phnom Penh
- ✓ Learn age-old farming techniques in Hoi An
- ✓ Marvel at Hue's Imperial Citadel
- ✓ Stroll Hanoi's atmospheric alleyways
- ✓ Cruise the stunning Halong Bay



Admire the majestic Angkor temples

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 15 breakfasts, 14 lunches & 15 dinners
- Domestic flights and transportation
- International flight from Phnom Penh – Saigon
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Discover local life on Tonle Sap

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Cruise to bustling Kampong Kleng, an off-the-beaten-track floating village on Tonle Sap Lake, where you'll get an authentic look at unique local life.
- ▶ Try your hand at ancient cultivation techniques with members of the local farming community in Tra Que village and enjoy a cooking demonstration of a regional speciality.
- ▶ Take your seats for 'the Quintessence of Tonkin', a spectacular open-air show that perfectly showcases the rich history of Vietnam's northern river delta through talented dancers, musicians and artists.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE SIEM REAP

Arrive in Siem Reap and transfer to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 2: TONLE SAP LAKE

Visit Beng Mealea, a mysterious temple overrun by the jungle. Enjoy a cruise on Tonle Sap Lake, seeing the floating houses here and learning about the way of life in these lake communities, and visit a local craftsman organisation creating Cambodian arts and crafts.

### DAY 3: EXPLORE ANGKOR

The seat of the Khmer Empire between the 9th and 15th centuries, the Angkor complex includes over 1,000 temples. Enter the walled city of Angkor Thom and head to its heart to see the enigmatic Bayon, followed by the atmospheric Ta Prohm. This afternoon is dedicated to the indescribable Angkor Wat. Later, take a leisurely boat ride on the moat of Angkor Thom and enjoy a refreshing beer as the sun sets.

### DAY 4: DISCOVER PHNOM PENH

Fly to Phnom Penh, a city of airy boulevards and colonial villas. Visit the magnificent Royal Palace, the official residence of the King, and the Silver Pagoda in its grounds.

### DAY 5: FLY TO SAIGON

Visit the emotive Tuol Sleng Museum, housed in S21, the notorious prison used by the Khmer Rouge regime. Stop at the city's namesake temple, Wat Phnom, before a short 1-hour flight to Saigon in South Vietnam.

### DAY 6: SAIGON & CU CHI

Get to grips with the struggles of guerrilla warfare at the astonishing Cu Chi Tunnels, used by the Viet Cong during the war. Return to the city and gain further insights into this period at the Reunification Palace and the poignant War Remnants Museum.

### DAY 7: MEKONG DELTA CRUISE

Pop down to Ben Tre to take a cruise on the mighty Mekong Delta. Paddle through this 'Rice Basket of Vietnam', a rich and fertile land known for its production of rice, coconuts, vegetables and tropical fruits.

### DAY 8: SAIGON & HOI AN

The exuberant city of Saigon is driving Vietnam forward into the modern world, but is also a treasure trove of fascinating heritage. Discover its architectural gems, including the Notre-Dame Cathedral, Central Post Office and Thien Hau Pagoda. Later, fly to Hoi An, a UNESCO-listed town renowned for its historic atmosphere and high-quality tailors.



Wander charming Hoi An



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Our most popular Indochina tour takes you on a journey of discovery, from the breathtaking temples of Angkor and the Mekong Delta through to the natural grandeur of Halong Bay, experiencing all manner of delights en route.

**PRICES AND DEPARTURES**  
Departing Sunday returning Monday

2025 DATES			
12 Jan - 27 Jan	SOLD OUT	03 Aug - 18 Aug	\$5,160
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16 Feb - 03 Mar	\$5,160	05 Oct - 20 Oct	\$5,420
23 Feb - 10 Mar	\$5,160	12 Oct - 27 Oct	\$5,160
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04 May - 19 May	\$5,160	23 Nov - 08 Dec	\$5,160

2026 DATES			
11 Jan - 26 Jan	\$5,420	02 Aug - 17 Aug	\$5,420
25 Jan - 09 Feb	\$5,420	20 Sep - 05 Oct	\$5,290
01 Feb - 16 Feb	\$5,420	04 Oct - 19 Oct	\$5,950
22 Feb - 09 Mar	\$5,420	11 Oct - 26 Oct	\$5,420
01 Mar - 16 Mar	\$5,950	18 Oct - 02 Nov	\$5,420
15 Mar - 30 Mar	\$5,420	25 Oct - 09 Nov	\$5,420
22 Mar - 06 Apr	\$5,420	01 Nov - 16 Nov	\$5,420
29 Mar - 13 Apr	\$5,420	08 Nov - 23 Nov	\$5,420
12 Apr - 27 Apr	\$5,420	15 Nov - 30 Nov	\$5,950
03 May - 18 May	\$5,420	22 Nov - 07 Dec	\$5,420

**Supplement information**

- Based on land only (Siem Reap – Hanoi)
- Single room from \$780
- Tipping paid locally US\$97

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**DAY 9: TRA QUE VILLAGE**

Drive out into the countryside to the small farming community of Tra Que. Here you can enjoy the lush green countryside and try your hand at age-old farming techniques before taking part in a cooking demonstration, learning the art of a local dish. After lunch take a walking tour of Hoi An, to see the elaborate Japanese Bridge, a Chinese temple and the bustling market. With its swaying lanterns, bobbing gondolas and cheery yellow houses, the Old Town is a delight to wander.

**DAY 10: HAI VAN PASS & HUE**

Drive to Hue, travelling over the scenic Hai Van Pass. Once the stronghold of the Nguyen Emperors, Hue exudes imperial grandeur at every turn. Visit the picturesque Thien Mu Pagoda and cruise along the Perfume River.

**DAY 11: HUE**

Visit Hue's UNESCO World Heritage Sites, including the Imperial Citadel and Forbidden City, along with the Royal Tomb of Minh Mang. Stop at a beautiful old 'maison' that has been transformed into a Truc Chi bamboo paper workshop and learn all about this art.

**DAY 12: HANOI CYCLO**

Fly to Hanoi this morning. This afternoon, take a thrilling cyclo ride through the Old Quarter and enjoy a flavourful Vietnamese coffee at a café overlooking Hoan Kiem Lake.

**DAYS 13-14: HALONG BAY**

Spend two days aboard a comfortable cruise boat sailing amongst magnificent karst peaks on the tranquil green waters of Halong Bay. Spend the night on the boat before returning to Hanoi. Attend the Quintessence of Tonkin

show, a spectacular open-air performance celebrating the rich history of northern Vietnam.

**DAY 15: EXPLORE HANOI**

Discover Hanoi's history and the story of President Ho Chi Minh on a walking tour. See his mausoleum in Ba Dinh Square, and admire the Presidential Palace. Explore its peaceful grounds and visit the Humble House on Stilts, where he lived during his rule. Finally, visit the beautiful Temple of Literature before this evening's farewell dinner.

**DAY 16: DEPART HANOI**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

**EXTEND YOUR STAY...**



**SAPA EXTENSION**  
4 days from \$1,030pp

**BANGKOK STOPOVER**  
4 days from \$770pp

**HONG KONG STOPOVER**  
3 days from \$410pp

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# CLASSIC MEKONG

17 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$5,820

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Drift along Angkor's moat at sunset
- ✓ See local life on Tonle Sap
- ✓ Cruise the Mekong for 4 nights
- ✓ Discover vibrant Saigon
- ✓ Wander charming Hoi An
- ✓ Explore Hanoi's Old Quarter by cyclo
- ✓ Enjoy spectacular views of Halong Bay



Explore Hoi An's ancient town

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 16 breakfasts, 15 lunches & 16 dinners
- Domestic flights and transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Visit an organic Vietnamese farm

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Try your hand at traditional cultivation techniques with members of the local farming community in Tra Que village and enjoy a cooking demonstration of a regional speciality.
- ▶ Cruise the Mekong in style aboard the four-star ship, Victoria Mekong. With state-of-the-art facilities and an itinerary packed with culturally-immersive shore excursions and onboard activities, there's no better way to experience life on the Mekong.
- ▶ Visit NOIR, a 'dining in the dark' social enterprise restaurant in Saigon. Guided by blind waiters, you'll experience an array of delicious dishes in total darkness – a surefire way to amplify your other senses!

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE SIEM REAP

Arrive in Siem Reap and transfer to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 2: THE TEMPLES OF ANGKOR

Journey into the old city of Angkor Thom. At its heart is the enigmatic Bayon, an iconic temple of innumerable sculptural decorations. Admire the Elephant Terrace and Terrace of the Leper King before continuing to the atmospheric Ta Prohm. The rest of the afternoon is dedicated to Angkor Wat, the most magnificent and best preserved of all of Angkor's treasures. As the sun sets, float peacefully on the moat that surrounds Angkor Thom, soaking up the atmosphere. Sit down to a welcome dinner with the group this evening.

### DAY 3: TONLE SAP

Travel to the shores of Tonle Sap and visit the floating village of Kampong Phluk (Oct to Feb) or Chong Kneas (Mar to Sep). Stop at Chansar village for a glimpse at rural life before visiting the home of a local Khmer family.

### DAY 4: PHNOM PENH

Travel to Cambodia's charming capital, Phnom Penh. Board a cyclo and head into the heart of the city to visit the magnificent Royal Palace – official residence of the King – along with the Silver Pagoda in its grounds.

### DAY 5: THE VICTORIA MEKONG

Spend the morning reflecting on Phnom Penh's tragic past with visits to Tuol Sleng Museum and the Killing Fields. After lunch, embark on your next adventure – a four night

cruise on our premium small ship, Victoria Mekong, with her 35 outward-facing cabins. Enjoy a welcome cocktail and Apsara dance performance before dinner.

### DAY 6: INTO VIETNAM

The ship departs this morning, with plenty of onboard activities available; alternatively, spend the morning relaxing in the pool. Sail into Vietnam around lunchtime, anchoring near Tan Chau. Tender ashore to visit a Taoist temple and see the intriguing stilt houses. Return to the ship in time for an exciting lion dance performance on the Sky Deck as the sun sets.

### DAY 7: PHU TAN & TIGER ISLAND

After breakfast, tender ashore in Phu Tan to visit a craft village famed for its handmade clay stoves. After lunch, anchor at Tiger Island and head ashore to explore, learning about local industries such as ceramics and incense making. Return to the ship in time for a cocktail competition and the evening's entertainment.

### DAY 8: LONG XUYEN & DINH YEN

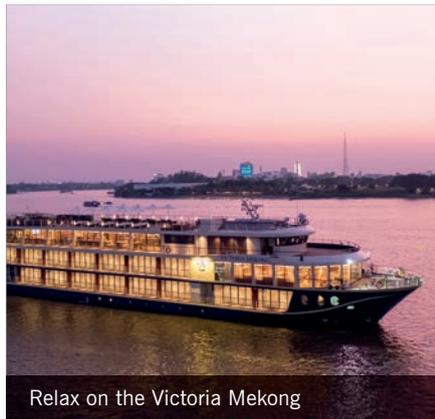
Arrive in Long Xuyen and hop on a tender to visit the bustling floating market. Stop in town to visit a museum with exhibits on ancient cultures on the region before returning to the Victoria Mekong. Enjoy a refreshing lunch as the ship continues downstream to Dinh Yen, where you'll see the villagers weaving colourful straw mats, and meet a family who specialise in making beancurd. This evening, the ship continues to Can Tho, the beating heart of the Mekong Delta.



**CLASSIC**  
CAMBODIA & VIETNAM

PHYSICAL RATING 1

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
Starting on a high at the Temples of Angkor, spend four nights on board the Victoria Mekong cruising downstream into Vietnam, where you'll discover the top sights – Saigon, Hoi An, Hanoi and Halong Bay.



Relax on the Victoria Mekong



Discover the many faces of the Bayon

**DAY 9: DISEMBARK IN CAN THO**

Enjoy breakfast onboard and visit a local floating market by boat. Disembark and bid farewell to the Victoria Mekong, boarding the ship's shuttle bus from Can Tho to Saigon, stopping en route in Cai Be for a delicious local lunch. Dinner this evening will be at Noir, a restaurant that supports Saigon's visually impaired, for a sensory 'dining in the dark' experience.

**DAY 10: CU CHI & SAIGON**

This morning, visit the fascinating Cu Chi Tunnels to learn the history of the Viet Cong and their guerrilla tactics during the Vietnam War. Return to Saigon, a vibrant, modern city with a treasure trove of fascinating heritage. See the colonial Notre Dame Cathedral, visit the Central Post Office, and the fascinating War Remnants Museum. Relax with a coffee break at one of Saigon's popular coffee houses.

**DAY 11: DISCOVER HOI AN**

Fly from Saigon to Danang and transfer to the enchanting town of Hoi An. Head out on a walking tour, with visits including Chua Ong Pagoda, a historic merchant house, and the spectacular Japanese Covered Bridge. With its charming yellow buildings and vivid silk lanterns, a stroll through this traditional town feels like stepping back in time.

**DAY 12: TRA QUE VILLAGE**

Head out into Hoi An's peaceful countryside to visit an organic farming community. This cooperative project is a first-choice supplier for most local restaurants, growing delicious herbs and vegetables using traditional techniques. Their secret is in the fertiliser:

natural seaweed from a local lagoon. Here you can enjoy the lush, green landscapes and stroll through the gardens to see the farmers at work. This afternoon is at leisure.

**DAY 13: HISTORIC HANOI**

Fly to Vietnam's capital city, Hanoi. A fast-paced yet graceful city, it is packed full of ancient and modern sights to discover. Begin exploring at the serene Temple of Literature before taking a cyclo tour through the Old Quarter's atmospheric tangle of streets with a stop for local delicacy 'ca phe trung' (egg coffee) en route.

**DAY 14: HO CHI MINH QUARTER**

Today, head to the Ho Chi Minh Quarter, where you'll pass 'Uncle Ho's' monumental mausoleum and Stilt House, before seeing the One Pillar Pagoda. Tonight, attend one of Hanoi's famously breathtaking artistic performances.

**DAYS 15-16: CRUISE HALONG BAY**

Travel to Halong City, board a cruise boat and set sail on the tranquil blue-green waters of Halong Bay. With its 1,600 islands and islets, the bay was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1994. As you explore you'll make excursions to mysterious caves and enjoy delicious seafood onboard. After a night anchored out on the water, rise early to see the sun come up before cruising back to port. Return to Hanoi for an afternoon at leisure ahead of this evening's farewell dinner.

**DAY 17: DEPART HANOI**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

**PRICES AND DEPARTURES**

Departing Tuesday returning Thursday

**2025 DATES**

28 Jan - 13 Feb	\$6,610	06 May - 22 May	\$5,820
11 Feb - 27 Feb	\$6,610	23 Sep - 09 Oct	\$5,820
25 Feb - 13 Mar	\$6,610	07 Oct - 23 Oct	\$6,610
11 Mar - 27 Mar	\$6,610	21 Oct - 06 Nov	\$6,610
25 Mar - 10 Apr	\$6,610	04 Nov - 20 Nov	\$6,610
08 Apr - 24 Apr	\$5,820	18 Nov - 04 Dec	\$6,610
22 Apr - 08 May	\$5,820	02 Dec - 18 Dec	\$6,740

**2026 DATES**

13 Jan - 29 Jan	\$6,740	17 Mar - 02 Apr	\$6,080
27 Jan - 12 Feb	\$6,740	29 Sep - 15 Oct	\$6,080
17 Feb - 05 Mar	\$6,740	13 Oct - 29 Oct	\$6,740
03 Mar - 19 Mar	\$6,740	27 Oct - 12 Nov	\$6,740
17 Mar - 02 Apr	\$6,740	10 Nov - 26 Nov	\$6,740
31 Mar - 16 Apr	\$6,080	24 Nov - 10 Dec	\$6,740
14 Apr - 30 Apr	\$6,080		

**Supplement information**

- Based on land only (Siem Reap – Hanoi)
- Single room from \$1,440
- Tipping paid locally US\$66

**Excludes international flights and Cambodia & Vietnam visas; please request at time of booking.**

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# MEKONG EXPLORER

20 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$6,350

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Explore Hanoi's Old Quarter by cyclo
- ✓ Cruise majestic Halong Bay
- ✓ Explore imperial architecture in Hue
- ✓ Learn ancient farming techniques in Hoi An
- ✓ Enjoy a 4-night cruise aboard the contemporary Victoria Mekong
- ✓ Drift along Angkor's moat at sunset



Admire the spectacular Golden Bridge

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 19 breakfasts, 17 lunches & 19 dinners
- Domestic flights and transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Float on the moat of Angkor Thom

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Enjoy an atmospheric gondola cruise on the moat of Angkor Thom. Glide along the waters as the sun sets, bathing the temples in a rich, warming glow.
- ▶ Stroll across Danang's striking 'Golden Bridge' – a hilltop structure held aloft by a pair of huge, stone hands – and admire the beautiful views over the Ba Na Hills.
- ▶ Cruise the Mekong in style aboard the four-star ship, Victoria Mekong. With state-of-the-art facilities and an itinerary packed with culturally-immersive shore excursions and onboard activities, there's no better way to experience life on the Mekong.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE HANOI

Arrive in Vietnam's vibrant capital city, Hanoi. Transfer to your hotel and depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 2: HANOI CYCLO TOUR

Visit the Ho Chi Minh Quarter, stopping at the One Pillar Pagoda and exploring the Temple of Literature. Later, take a cyclo tour through the Old Quarter's atmospheric streets with a stop for local delicacy 'ca phe trung' (egg coffee). Tonight, attend a breathtaking performance celebrating Vietnam's rich culture.

### DAYS 3-4: CRUISE HALONG BAY

Board your four-star ship and cruise out into the tranquil waters of Halong Bay – a UNESCO World Heritage Site that has long enthralled visitors with its beauty. Enjoy an afternoon of activities such as kayaking, swimming or cave tours, or simply relax on the sundeck. After a night anchored out on the water, enjoy the sunrise before cruising back to port. Fly to Hue.

### DAY 5: EXPLORE HUE

The capital of imperial-era Vietnam, Hue is a sophisticated and scholarly city. Start your tour at the Imperial Citadel and Forbidden Purple City and visit the UNESCO World Heritage Royal Tomb of Minh Mang, before a cruise on the Perfume River. This afternoon is at leisure.

### DAY 6: ADMIRE THE GOLDEN BRIDGE

Depart Hue, taking the scenic route over the Hai Van Pass to charming Hoi An. En route, take a cable car to admire the views from the spectacular Golden Bridge in Ba Na Hills.

### DAY 7: TRA QUE VILLAGE

Head out into the countryside to visit a small farming community and stroll through the gardens to see the farmers at work. In the afternoon, discover Hoi An itself, grabbing some refreshment at the Reaching Out Tea House, a wonderful social project in the heart of town, as you explore.

### DAY 8: FREE TIME IN HOI AN

This morning is free, before an afternoon flight to Saigon.

### DAY 9: DISCOVER SAIGON

Explore Saigon, a vibrant, modern city with a treasure trove of fascinating heritage. Stroll through fascinating Chinatown and visit the emotional War Remnants Museum. Look around the Reunification Palace before admiring the beautiful colonial architecture of Notre Dame Cathedral and the Central Post Office.

### DAY 10: CU CHI TUNNELS

Spend the morning exploring the fascinating Cu Chi Tunnels. Stop at an organic farm for a freshly-made lunch before a free afternoon back in Saigon, before a unique dining experience at NOIR this evening.

### DAY 11: TO THE MEKONG DELTA

Drive southwest to Can Tho, stopping en route for a delicious local lunch. Board the four-star Victoria Mekong cruise ship which, after a welcome briefing, will cast off into the waters of the Mekong Delta. Begin your cruise experience with a complimentary cocktail on deck, watching the sun set as the ship makes its way upriver. Tonight, drop anchor at Tiger Island.



**CLASSIC**  
VIETNAM & CAMBODIA

PHYSICAL RATING 1

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
See Halong Bay and the wonders of Vietnam as you explore the country from tip to toe. Embark the Victoria Mekong for a four-night river cruise into Cambodia, where you'll discover the majestic Temples of Angkor.



Relax on the Victoria Mekong



Take a local cooking class

**DAY 12: TIGER ISLAND AND FLOATING MARKET**

Cruise upstream to Long Xuyen and disembark to visit a floating market and local museum. After lunch, enjoy an excursion to Tiger Island to explore by sampan, visiting local cottage industries. Sit down to dinner and evening entertainment before retiring to your cabin.

**DAY 13: TAN CHAU**

Start the day at Phu Tan, visiting a craft village famous for its handmade clay stoves. Used in the delta for centuries, these stoves have a unique design to protect them from the wind. Return to the ship and cruise to Tan Chau during lunch. On arrival, head to shore to visit a colourful Cao Dai temple and a local market. This evening features a thrilling lion dance performance!

**DAY 14: INTO CAMBODIA**

Today, the Victoria Mekong will cross into Cambodia and sail towards Phnom Penh. Spend a leisurely day enjoying a wealth of onboard activities, such as lectures and cocktail making, docking in Phnom Penh in the late afternoon. Sip a farewell cocktail during the evening entertainment and enjoy a final dinner on board. Later, why not head ashore to explore the buzzing city?

**DAY 15: DISEMBARK IN PHNOM PENH**

Enjoy breakfast on the ship before disembarking. Board a cyclo and head from the pier into the heart of the city to see the magnificent Royal Palace, Silver Pagoda and National Museum. After lunch check in to your hotel and enjoy an afternoon at leisure.

**DAY 16: EXPLORE PHNOM PENH**

Spend the morning confronting Phnom Penh's tragic past with visits to Tuol Sleng Museum and the Killing Fields, learning about the regime of Pol Pot. Later, fly to Siem Reap, the gateway to Angkor.

**DAY 17: THE TEMPLES OF ANGKOR**

Journey into Angkor Thom and visit the enigmatic Bayon, the Elephant Terrace, Terrace of the Leper King and atmospheric Ta Prohm. Continue on to Angkor Wat, the most magnificent and best preserved of all of Angkor's treasures. As the sun sets, take a boat ride on Angkor Thom's moat.

**DAY 18: TONLE SAP**

Travel to Tonle Sap and visit one of the lake's intriguing floating villages. Back on land, stop at a rural village and visit the home of a local family. This evening, enjoy an acrobatic show by the Phare Cambodian Circus, a social enterprise providing vocational training to disadvantaged local youths.

**DAY 19: LOCAL COOKING CLASS**

This morning, take a tuk tuk to a cooking class held in a traditional Cambodian house. Visit a fresh produce market to shop for ingredients, before learning to prepare authentic Khmer food. Enjoy your creations for lunch before an afternoon at leisure to explore Siem Reap, or perhaps return to Angkor before tonight's farewell dinner.

**DAY 20: DEPART SIEM REAP**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

**PRICES AND DEPARTURES**

Departing Sunday returning Friday

**2025 DATES**

12 Jan - 31 Jan	\$7,140	20 Apr - 09 May	\$6,350
23 Feb - 14 Mar	\$7,140	21 Sep - 10 Oct	\$7,140
09 Mar - 28 Mar	\$7,140	19 Oct - 07 Nov	\$7,140
23 Mar - 11 Apr	\$6,350	02 Nov - 21 Nov	\$7,140
06 Apr - 25 Apr	SOLD OUT	16 Nov - 05 Dec	\$7,140

**2026 DATES**

01 Feb - 20 Feb	\$7,540	27 Sep - 16 Oct	\$7,540
01 Mar - 20 Mar	\$7,540	08 Nov - 27 Nov	\$7,540
15 Mar - 03 Apr	\$7,540	22 Nov - 11 Dec	\$7,540
29 Mar - 17 Apr	\$6,610		

**Supplement information**

- Based on land only (Hanoi – Siem Reap)
- Single room from \$1,640
- Tipping paid locally US\$85

**Excludes international flights and Vietnam & Cambodia visa; please request at time of booking.**

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Cruise Halong Bay overnight

# THAILAND HIGHLIGHTS

12 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$3,690

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Marvel at Bangkok's Grand Palace
- ✓ See the Bridge on the River Kwai
- ✓ Explore historic Ayutthaya
- ✓ Meet Hmong and Yao hill tribes
- ✓ Stroll through laidback Chiang Rai
- ✓ Master Thai cuisine with a Chiang Mai cooking class



See Chiang Rai's contemporary White Temple

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 11 breakfasts, 10 lunches & 11 dinners
- Domestic flights and transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation and eco-lodge
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Be amazed at Maeklong Railway Market

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Visit Maeklong Market, famous for being set along a railway line – witness the fascinating bustle of activity as the stallholders move their wares speedily out of the way as a train passes through!
- ▶ Venture deep into the northern highlands and spend the night at one with nature at a tribe-run eco-lodge, where you'll enjoy a local dinner and a tribal dance performance.
- ▶ Spend the day with Asian elephants at an elephant rescue and retirement centre, where you'll meet, feed and help care for the gorgeous residents.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE BANGKOK

Arrive in the vibrant city of Bangkok and transfer to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 2: DISCOVER BANGKOK

Bangkok is a whirlwind of exotic energy; a sensory extravaganza like few other cities. Neoclassical houses rub shoulders with high-rise skyscrapers and majestic golden temples, while river taxis and ferries throng its busy canals. Today's sightseeing includes Wat Pho, the dazzling Grand Palace and a stroll through Chinatown. Later, take to the Chao Phraya River on a longboat to get an alternative view of the city.

### DAY 3: BRIDGE OVER THE RIVER KWAI

Enjoy the sights and sounds of the Damnoen Saduak Floating Market and the bizarre Maeklong Railway Market before heading out of Bangkok to Kanchanaburi. It was here that many Allied POWs and indentured Asian labourers were forced to build the Thai-Burma Railway during the WWII Japanese occupation of Thailand. Stop at the famous bridge on the River Kwai and visit the Thai-Burmese Railway Museum to learn their stories, then pay your respects at the War Cemetery before checking into your hotel. Spend the night in Kanchanaburi.

### DAY 4: EXPLORE KANCHANABURI

Drive to Hellfire Pass and visit the fascinating museum before a short walk through the pass. Step on board an old locomotive to travel along a section of the Death Railway, passing through the Kwai Gorge. Return to Bangkok in the afternoon.

### DAY 5: AYUTTHAYA

A sacred city and former royal capital, Ayutthaya today is a crumbled kingdom that has retained its bygone splendour. Explore this impressive archaeological site, touring the principal sights including Bang Pa-In, the former royal summer residence. Return to Bangkok and fly to Chiang Rai, a city in Thailand's northern highlands.

### DAY 6: GOLDEN TRIANGLE

Transfer to the area known as the Golden Triangle – the point where the borders of Thailand, Laos and Myanmar meet and notorious for the cultivation of opium that used to take place here. Take a boat ride on the Mekong over the border into Laos and visit Don Sao Island where you can take a leisurely stroll through the local market. Return to Chiang Rai. Explore the night market this evening.

### DAY 7: TEA PLANTATIONS

Travel to Mae Salong Mountain, an area



Meet members of the Hmong community



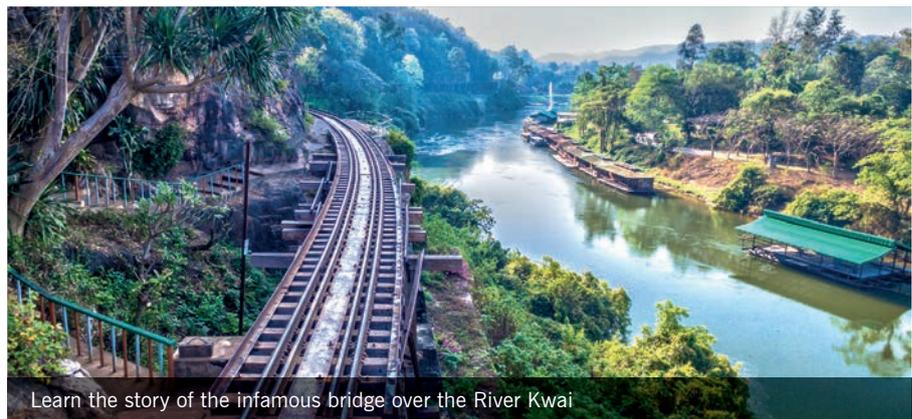
**CLASSIC**  
THAILAND

PHYSICAL RATING 1

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
A two-week journey from south to north, this tour of Thailand encompasses all the top sights, as well as venturing into less-explored areas to discover pristine nature and local culture with a stay at a beautiful eco-lodge run by a local tribe.



Visit an elephant rescue sanctuary



Learn the story of the infamous bridge over the River Kwai

well known for its tea plantations – you can sample some of the local brew whilst you are here. Enjoy a Yunnanese lunch before visiting Doi Tung Palace and Mae Fah Luang Garden.

**DAY 8: HMONG HILLTRIBE LODGE**

Explore the striking Buddhist White Temple before departing Chiang Rai. Heading in the direction of Chiang Mai, you'll travel along a beautiful mountain road with breathtaking views. Entering Chiang Mai province, spend tonight at Hmong Hilltribe Lodge, an eco-lodge operated by Hmong villagers. Rooms are built in the traditional tribal style and overlook lush fields and hills. Dinner is followed by a Hmong folklore performance.

**DAY 9: DISCOVER CHIANG MAI**

Depart Hmong Lodge to Mae Daeng where you enjoy a leisurely bamboo raft down the Mae Daeng River. Continue to Chiang Mai, and take a walking tour of Wat Chedi Luang and Wat Phra Singh.

**DAY 10: ELEPHANT SANCTUARY EXPERIENCE**

Spend the morning at an ethical elephant sanctuary and retirement centre, where you can meet, feed and care for these rescued and elderly residents.

**DAY 11: CHIANG MAI COOKING CLASS**

Discover the secrets of traditional Thai cooking with a morning cookery class. Ascend to Wat Doi Suthep, a temple perched on top of Doi Suthep Mountain. This evening, sit down to a Thai Khantoke dinner, and be entertained by a selection of cultural performances.

**DAY 12: DEPART CHIANG MAI**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

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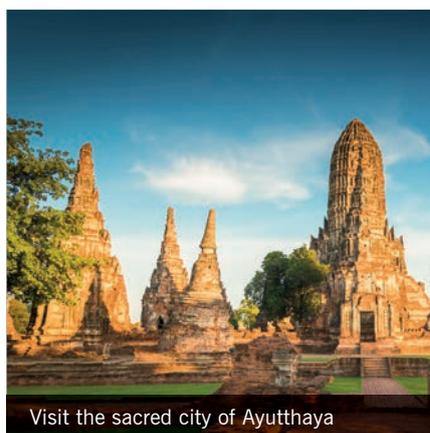
**MUI NE EXTENSION**

4 days from \$920pp

**HONG KONG STOPOVER**

3 days from \$410pp

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Visit the sacred city of Ayutthaya

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Departing Saturday returning Wednesday

2025 DATES			
11 Jan - 22 Jan	\$3,690	01 Nov - 12 Nov	\$3,690
08 Feb - 19 Feb	\$3,690	08 Nov - 19 Nov	\$3,690
15 Feb - 26 Feb	\$3,690	29 Nov - 10 Dec	\$3,690
01 Mar - 12 Mar	\$3,690		

2026 DATES			
10 Jan - 21 Jan	\$3,950	31 Oct - 11 Nov	\$3,950
14 Feb - 25 Feb	\$3,950	07 Nov - 18 Nov	\$3,950
21 Feb - 04 Mar	\$3,950	28 Nov - 09 Dec	\$3,950
28 Feb - 11 Mar	\$3,950		

Supplement information

- Based on land only (Bangkok – Chiang Mai)
- Single room from \$470
- Tipping paid locally US\$60

Excludes international flights; please request at time of booking

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Experience a Thai cooking class



# Discover India and Sri Lanka with Wendy Wu Tours

Reaching from the cloud-piercing peaks of the Himalayas to the jewel-bright blue of the Indian Ocean, the Indian Subcontinent encompasses a myriad of landscapes, cultures and nature. Here are some of our favourite destinations...

## WENDY'S TOP 8 SIGHTS

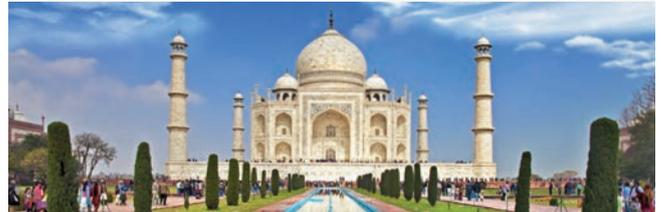
### 1 RANTHAMBORE NATIONAL PARK

Whether it's staking out watering holes or combing the tropical jungle of Ranthambore, looking for tigers is an exhilarating experience. That's why a safari is included on so many of our India tours!



### 2 TAJ MAHAL

There have been many words used to describe it, yet few do it justice. We suggest you go and see the Taj Mahal for yourself, that's why it is featured on most India tours.



### 3 SIGIRIYA ROCK, SRI LANKA

Explore the ruins of the ancient Sri Lankan fortress on Sigiriya, or 'Lion Rock', along with the beautifully preserved 5th century frescoes in its cliff-side picture gallery.



### 4 KERALA'S BACKWATERS

A network of lagoons, canals and rivers enveloped in verdant greenery, Kerala's backwaters are best explored by boat.



### 5 GHATS OF VARANASI

A sacred city and one of the world's oldest, Varanasi's ghats, lapped by the River Ganges, showcase humanity laid bare.



### 6 GOLDEN TEMPLE

Amritsar's Golden Temple is a sight to behold – a spiritual and architectural marvel, it radiates serenity with its gold facade and sacred Sikh traditions.



### 7 YALA NATIONAL PARK

Yala National Park, Sri Lanka's premier wildlife sanctuary, is home to diverse fauna, including leopards, elephants, Sri Lankan sloth bear and more than 200 species of bird.



### 8 JAISALMER FORT

Jain Temples within the Jaisalmer Fort complex are elaborately carved from yellow sandstone. This fort is one of very few remaining "living forts" where residents still live within the fort.



# TAJ, TEMPLES & TIGERS

9 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$3,010

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Witness sunrise at the Taj Mahal
- ✓ Marvel at Delhi's Jama Masjid
- ✓ Spot tigers in Ranthambore
- ✓ See the grandeur of Fatehpur Sikri
- ✓ Wander Jaipur, the 'Pink City'
- ✓ Explore magnificent Amber Fort



Marvel at the spectacular Taj Mahal

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 8 breakfasts, 7 lunches & 8 dinners
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Tour the spice markets

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Take an exciting rickshaw ride through Khari Baoli Spice Market in Old Delhi, absorbing the heady scents and colourful sights of some of the world's most exotic powders, leaves, roots and seeds.
- ▶ Venture into the old alleyways of Jaipur to try your hand at block printing, the practice of hand printing textiles with a carved wooden block, a traditional art of the city.
- ▶ Learn astronomy the old way at Jaipur's fascinating Jantar Mantar, an 18th-century observatory full of instruments used to measure the distance and positions of celestial objects.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE DELHI

Arrive in Delhi where you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure.

### DAY 2: DISCOVER DELHI

Today we explore this vivacious city! Starting in atmospheric Old Delhi, embark on a rickshaw ride through the bustling streets. You'll dive straight into the narrow, fragrant lanes of Khari Baoli Spice Market to marvel at the array of colourful herbs and spices. Next, stop to visit the immense Jama Masjid, a Mughal masterpiece of a mosque. Cross over into New Delhi to admire the colonial grandeur of India Gate before seeing the UNESCO-listed Qutab Minar, a 73-metre, 12th-century minaret.

### DAY 3: TRAVEL TO AGRA

Journey to Agra by road and start your explorations at Itmad-ud-Daulah, also known as the 'Baby Taj', an exquisite Mughal mausoleum considered a Taj Mahal prototype. Next, tour the magnificent Agra Fort. This mass of red sandstone sits on the banks of the Yamuna River; from its ramparts you may catch a first glimpse of the magical Taj Mahal, just two kilometres downstream.

### DAY 4: TAJ MAHAL

Rise early to share an unforgettable experience, sunrise at the Taj Mahal. At dawn, when the crowds are at their thinnest, watch this magical building tinge pink as it emerges from the early morning mists. Then travel to Ranthambore National Park, home to majestic Bengal tigers, stopping en route at UNESCO World Heritage Site Fatehpur Sikri, the long abandoned 17th-century capital of the Mughal Empire.



See the colonial grandeur of India Gate



**CLASSIC**  
INDIA

PHYSICAL RATING 

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
Enjoy a concise, classic introduction to this beautiful country. Architectural wonders await as you soak up the vibrant sights, sounds and experiences of northern India.



**DAY 5: TIGERS OF RANTHAMBORE**

Venture deep into Ranthambore National Park in search of tigers, taking early morning and afternoon safaris. There are around 50 tigers living amongst the park's undulating landscapes, as well as leopards, nilgai, sloth bears, wild boar, hyena and over 300 species of bird.

**DAY 6: TRAVEL TO JAIPUR**

Departing Ranthambore, travel by road to Jaipur, the 'Pink City'. On arrival, enjoy a turban tying experience before spending the rest of your day at leisure.

**DAY 7: EXPLORE JAIPUR**

The day begins with a photo stop at the Hawa Mahal, the magnificent 'Palace of the Winds'. Next, travel out of the city and board a jeep to reach the extraordinary Amber Fort, the colossal 16th-century yellow and pink sandstone fort that sits 11 kilometres outside of Jaipur. Back in the city, explore the lavish Maharaja's City Palace and the fascinating instruments of Jantar Mantar. Heading deep into the backstreets of the old town, try your hand at traditional artistry at a block printing and carpet weaving workshop.

**DAY 8: TRAVEL TO DELHI**

Leaving the Pink City, return by road to Delhi. On arrival, the rest of the day is free to spend as you wish. This evening, the group will sit down together for the last time at a farewell dinner – the perfect time to reflect on your adventures.

**DAY 9: DEPART DELHI**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

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**PRICES & DEPARTURES**

Departing Sunday returning Monday

**2025 DATES**

02 Feb - 10 Feb	\$3,010	05 Oct - 13 Oct	\$3,540
16 Feb - 24 Feb	\$3,010	12 Oct - 20 Oct	\$3,010
02 Mar - 10 Mar	\$3,010	19 Oct - 27 Oct	\$3,010
09 Mar - 17 Mar	\$3,010	26 Oct - 03 Nov	\$3,010
16 Mar - 24 Mar	\$3,010	02 Nov - 10 Nov	\$3,010
23 Mar - 31 Mar	\$3,010	09 Nov - 17 Nov	\$3,540
30 Mar - 07 Apr	\$3,010	16 Nov - 24 Nov	\$3,010
06 Apr - 14 Apr	\$3,010	23 Nov - 01 Dec	\$3,010
28 Sep - 06 Oct	\$3,010	30 Nov - 08 Dec	\$3,010

**2026 DATES**

18 Jan - 26 Jan	\$3,010	04 Oct - 12 Oct	\$3,010
25 Jan - 02 Feb	\$3,010	11 Oct - 19 Oct	\$3,010
08 Feb - 16 Feb	\$3,010	18 Oct - 26 Oct	\$3,010
22 Feb - 02 Mar	\$3,010	25 Oct - 02 Nov	\$3,010
08 Mar - 16 Mar	\$3,540	01 Nov - 09 Nov	\$3,010
22 Mar - 30 Mar	\$3,010	08 Nov - 16 Nov	\$3,540
05 Apr - 13 Apr	\$3,010	15 Nov - 23 Nov	\$3,010
19 Apr - 27 Apr	\$3,010	22 Nov - 30 Nov	\$3,010
27 Sep - 05 Oct	\$3,010	29 Nov - 07 Dec	\$3,010

**Supplement information**

- Based on land only (Delhi - Delhi)
- Single room from \$650
- Tipping paid locally US\$70

**Dedicated solos departure**

**Excludes international flights and India visa; please request at time of booking.**

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# INSPIRING INDIA

13 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$3,540

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Tour the spice markets of Delhi
- ✓ Marvel at the Taj Mahal
- ✓ Spot tigers in Ranthambore
- ✓ Explore holy Pushkar
- ✓ See the palaces of Udaipur
- ✓ Discover the 'Pink City' Jaipur



Admire Udaipur's City Palace

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 12 breakfasts, 11 lunches & 12 dinners
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Explore Pushkar's bustling market

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Immerse yourself in local life with a walking tour through Pushkar's bustling market, admiring the enormous range of fresh produce, colourful textiles and interesting souvenirs!
- ▶ Visit a workshop hidden in the bustling backstreets of old Jaipur to catch a glimpse of the age-old art of carpet weaving, a fascinating artistry still practised the traditional way.
- ▶ Admire the magical city of Udaipur, full of glorious, romantic architecture, from the perfect vantage point – a boat cruising the waters of Lake Pichola.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE DELHI

Arrive in Delhi where you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure.

### DAY 2: DELHI

After breakfast, get ready for a full-day of sightseeing in both Old and New Delhi. Explore the captivating streets of Old Delhi on foot before visiting Khari Baoli Spice Market, and taking a rickshaw ride through the streets. Visit Jama Masjid, Lakshmi Marayan Hindu Temple, with a quick photo at India Gate, before ending the day visiting Humayun's Tomb and the impressive Qutab Minar.

### DAY 3: DELHI TO JAIPUR

Embark on a scenic drive to Jaipur, with a delicious lunch en route at a local restaurant. On arrival explore the majestic Maharaja's City Palace and the fascinating Jantar Mantar Observatory.

### DAY 4: JAIPUR

After breakfast, stop for a quick view of Hawa Mahal (Palace of the Winds) from the outside, before visiting the magnificent Amber Fort, set atop a hill on the outskirts of Jaipur. Afterwards try your hand at block printing and carpet weaving with help from local artisans.

### DAY 5: JAIPUR TO PUSHKAR

Start your day with a journey to Pushkar, where you'll have the opportunity to explore the bustling local markets and marvel at the sacred Brahma Temple, a unique place of worship dedicated to the deity believed by many Hindus to be the creator of the universe.

### DAY 6: PUSHKAR TO UDAIPUR

Today you depart for Udaipur, known as the "City of Lakes". Enjoy a lunch stop in Nathdwara along the way. The rest of the day is free for you to explore at your own pace.

### DAY 7: UDAIPUR

Embark on an exploration of Udaipur, beginning with a scenic drive around Fateh Sagar Lake. Immerse yourself in the rich culture at the Folk Museum and Mewar Art Gallery, followed by a visit to the magnificent City Palace. The day ends with a delightful cruise on the serene waters of Lake Pichola, taking in the picturesque views that Udaipur has to offer.

### DAY 8: UDAIPUR TO BUNDI

On your journey to Bundi, take a detour to visit the magnificent Chittor Fort and the awe-inspiring Vijay Stambh. Chittor Fort, one of the largest forts in India, proudly stands atop a hill, providing a breathtaking view of the town of Chittorgarh. Marvel at the grandeur and historical significance of this magnificent fortress before continuing your travels to Bundi.



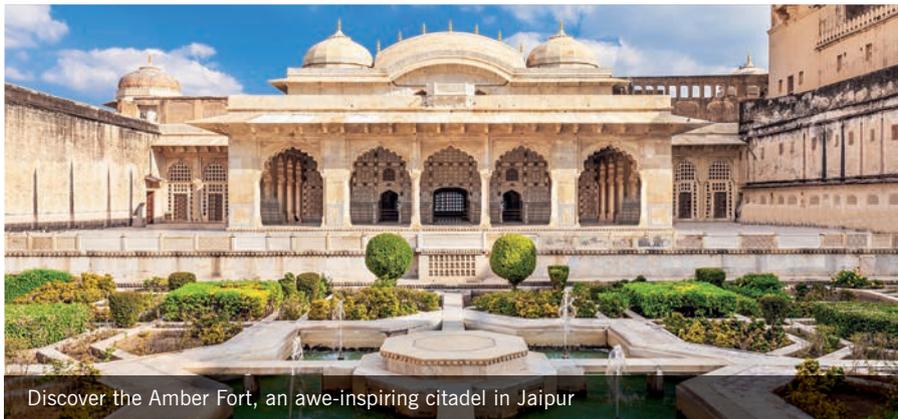
Discover Chittor Fort



**CLASSIC**  
INDIA

PHYSICAL RATING

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
Perfect for your first visit to India – soak up the extravagance of Rajasthan, search for tigers in Ranthambore and see the Taj Mahal at sunrise on one extraordinary itinerary.



**PRICES & DEPARTURES**  
Departing Saturday returning Thursday

2025 DATES			
25 Jan - 06 Feb	\$3,540	27 Sep - 09 Oct	\$3,540
01 Feb - 13 Feb	\$3,540	04 Oct - 16 Oct	\$3,540
08 Feb - 20 Feb	\$3,540	11 Oct - 23 Oct	\$3,540
15 Feb - 27 Feb	\$3,540	18 Oct - 30 Oct	\$4,060
22 Feb - 06 Mar	\$3,540	25 Oct - 06 Nov	\$3,540
01 Mar - 13 Mar	\$3,540	01 Nov - 13 Nov	\$3,540
08 Mar - 20 Mar	\$3,540	08 Nov - 20 Nov	\$3,540
15 Mar - 27 Mar	\$3,540	15 Nov - 27 Nov	\$4,060
22 Mar - 03 Apr	\$3,540	22 Nov - 04 Dec	\$3,540
29 Mar - 10 Apr	\$3,540	29 Nov - 11 Dec	\$3,540
05 Apr - 17 Apr	\$3,540		

2026 DATES			
24 Jan - 05 Feb	\$3,670	11 Apr - 23 Apr	\$3,670
31 Jan - 12 Feb	\$3,670	26 Sep - 08 Oct	\$3,670
07 Feb - 19 Feb	\$3,670	03 Oct - 15 Oct	\$3,670
14 Feb - 26 Feb	\$3,670	10 Oct - 22 Oct	\$3,670
21 Feb - 05 Mar	\$3,670	17 Oct - 29 Oct	\$4,060
28 Feb - 12 Mar	\$3,670	24 Oct - 05 Nov	\$3,670
07 Mar - 19 Mar	\$3,670	31 Oct - 12 Nov	\$3,670
14 Mar - 26 Mar	\$4,060	07 Nov - 19 Nov	\$3,670
21 Mar - 02 Apr	\$3,670	14 Nov - 26 Nov	\$3,670
28 Mar - 09 Apr	\$3,670	21 Nov - 03 Dec	\$3,670
04 Apr - 16 Apr	\$3,670	28 Nov - 10 Dec	\$3,670

**Supplement information**

- Based on land only (Delhi - Delhi)
- Single room from \$850
- Tipping paid locally US\$110

**Dedicated solos departure**

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**DAY 9: BUNDI TO RANTHAMBORE**

Begin your day with a satisfying breakfast and immerse yourself in the charm of the town. Explore its intriguing step wells and uncover the historical wonders of Taragarh Fort. Later, embark on a scenic drive to Ranthambore, where you will check into your hotel and prepare for your wildlife adventure.

**DAY 10: RANTHAMBORE NATIONAL PARK**

Embark on morning and afternoon canter safaris within the national park, offering thrilling opportunities to spot the local wildlife. As you venture into the wilderness keep your eyes peeled for glimpses of the magnificent wildlife like leopards, sloth bears, and various bird species.

**DAY 11: RANTHAMBORE TO AGRA**

Travel to Agra, stopping en route at the 'Ghost City', Fatehpur Sikri. Here, among the splendid examples of red sandstone Mughal architecture, visit the Tomb of Chisti and the exquisite Panchal Mahal Palace. Later, in Agra, relax with a glass of champagne at sunset, gazing over the city to the Taj Mahal.

**DAY 12: AGRA**

This morning, gaze on the ethereal beauty of the Taj Mahal, admiring it from all angles as you stroll its lush gardens. Move on to the Itmad-ud-Daulah, the Baby Taj, and the majestic Agra Fort. Return to Delhi.

**DAY 13: DEPART DELHI**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

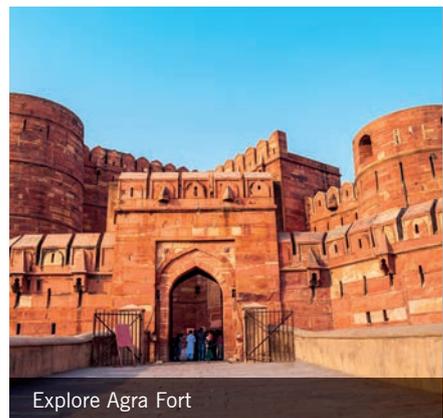
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# RAJASTHAN PANORAMA

21 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$4,860

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Explore magnificent hill forts
- ✓ Take a desert safari
- ✓ Wander the 'Blue City'
- ✓ Discover romantic Udaipur
- ✓ See sacred Pushkar
- ✓ Safari through Ranthambore



Admire Taj Lake Palace on Lake Pichola, Udaipur

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 20 breakfasts, 19 lunches, 20 dinners
- Domestic flights and transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Enjoy a rickshaw ride in Bikaner

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Ride on a rickshaw through the hustle and bustle of Bikaner's bazaar, taking in the sights, sounds and smells of this atmospheric market place and watching the locals go about their day to day life.
- ▶ Embark on an exhilarating jeep safari through the stark landscapes of the Thar Desert venturing out to Bishnoi for a village visit, where you'll see local life and the practice of traditional handicrafts.
- ▶ Enjoy a cruise on Lake Pichola, passing the magnificent Lake Palace and admiring the majestic architecture that lines the lake's shores.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE DELHI

Arrive in Delhi and transfer to Gurgaon for an overnight stay. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is at leisure.

### DAY 2: ALSISAR HERITAGE TOWN

Cross into Rajasthan and travel to the town of Alsisar. This small town is full of traditional frescoes, mansions and cenotaphs and even has a castle. Stay overnight in a beautifully restored haveli.

### DAY 3: EXPLORE BIKANER

Travel to the vibrant town of Bikaner. Surrounded by the Thar Desert, Bikaner is dominated by its magnificent fort, a complex of ornate buildings and halls, which you'll explore. Then, take a rickshaw ride through the buzzing streets of the old city bazaar. Continue to Gajner.

### DAYS 4-5: DISCOVER JAISALMER

Rising from the sandy plains of the Thar Desert, Jaisalmer is known as the 'Golden City', nicknamed for its honey-coloured walls. Browse the local markets and visit Sunset Point. Spend the next morning amongst the magnificence of Jaisalmer's 12th-century fort, full of palaces, temples and mansions. Later, travel to the Sam Sand Dunes where you view the sunset and enjoy a ride on a camel.

### DAY 6: THAR DESERT SAFARI

Venture on through the Thar Desert to Manvar. Here, enjoy a jeep safari to the local Bishnoi villages and get to know the locals. Spend the night in a tented desert camp (mid-Oct to mid-Apr) or the Manvar Resort.

### DAYS 7-8: JODHPUR

Today, drive to Jodhpur where you'll spend the next two days exploring. Much of Jodhpur's old town is a vivid blue, earning in the moniker the 'Blue City'. While here you'll take a city tour visiting Jaswant Thada, the royal cremation grounds, explore the magnificence of the hilltop Mehrangarh Fort and head to the small museum housed in the impressive Ummaid Bhawan Palace.

### DAYS 9-10: EXPLORE UDAIPUR

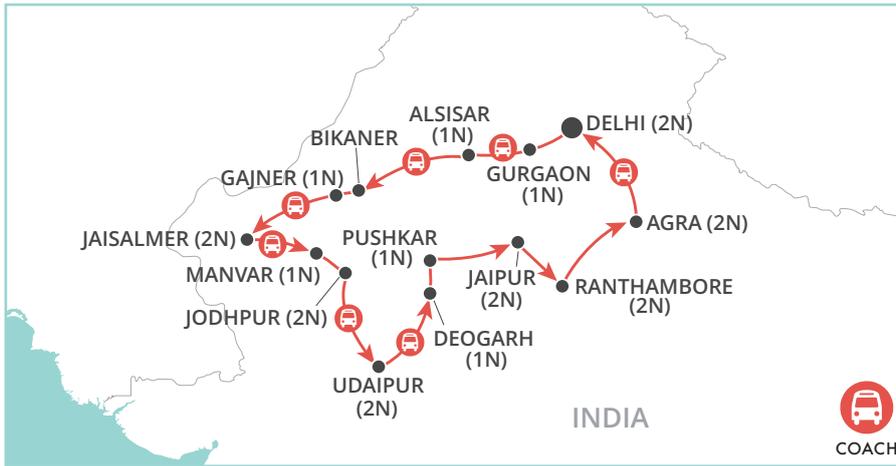
Travel to Udaipur via the Jain temple complex of Ranakpur and Surya Temple. India's most romantic city, Udaipur is located on Lake Pichola and surrounded by wooded hills; a maze of palaces, temples and colourful alleyways. The next day drive around Fateh Sagar Lake as well as the Folk Museum, Mewar Art Gallery, Sahelion Ki Bari Garden and the ornate City Palace. Later take a cruise on Lake Pichola passing the magical Lake Palace.

### DAY 11: RAJASTHAN COUNTRYSIDE

Drive to Deogarh, stopping en route to visit the Eklinji and Nathdwara temples. This evening wander through the bustling streets and enjoy a lavish 'royal experience' - a special dinner attended by members of the Deogarh royal family.

### DAY 12: EXPLORE PUSHKAR

This morning, board a train for a ride through the hills to Phulad, then continue by road to Pushkar. Set on the banks of one of India's most sacred lakes, this holy city has 52 ghats used for worship by Hindu pilgrims. Take a walking tour and admire the Brahma Temple.



**CLASSIC**  
INDIA

PHYSICAL RATING

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
This journey through Rajasthan, the land of extravagant forts and palaces, allows wildlife and architecture lovers alike to experience safaris, deserts (with a night in a traditional desert camp) and colourful cities.



Visit magnificent Jaisalmer Fort



See New Delhi's India Gate

**DAY 13: JAIPUR**

Travel to Jaipur, the 'Pink City' and Rajasthan's capital. On arrival, visit the Maharaja's City Palace and Jantar Mantar Observatory, a fascinating collection of wonderful astrological instruments.

**DAY 14: HAWA MAHAL & AMBER FORT**

Begin the day at Hawa Mahal, the 'Palace of the Winds', before travelling out of the city to admire the majestic Amber Fort. Back in Jaipur, try block painting and carpet weaving before enjoying a traditional dinner and dance performance.

**DAYS 15-16: RANTHAMBORE**

Travel to Ranthambore National Park, home to around 50 majestic Bengal tigers and a wealth of other wildlife. The next day, you will have both morning and afternoon safaris, the perfect opportunity to spot many magnificent creatures.

**DAY 17: TRAVEL TO AGRA**

Today travel to Agra, stopping en route at Bharatpur for lunch and visit Fatehpur Sikri, tomb of Salim Chistic, and Panch Mahal Palace.

**DAY 18: THE TAJ MAHAL**

Wake early to see the sun rise over one of the world's most perfect buildings. At dawn the Taj Mahal is often swathed in mist and tinged pink by the rising sun – a magical experience. This afternoon visit the colossal Agra Fort.

**DAY 19: DELHI**

Travel by road back to Delhi and visit Qutub Minar, Iron Pillar and the Lotus Temple.

**DAY 20: VIBRANT DELHI**

A city of equal chaos and charm, Delhi grabs you and doesn't let go! Explore a vast spice market and admire Jama Masjid, India Gate and Parliament House.

**DAY 21: DEPART DELHI**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

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PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing Wednesday returning Wednesday

2025 DATES

20 Feb - 12 Mar	\$4,860	02 Oct - 22 Oct	\$4,860
06 Mar - 26 Mar	\$4,860	16 Oct - 05 Nov	\$4,860
20 Mar - 09 Apr	\$4,860	06 Nov - 26 Nov	\$4,860
18 Sep - 08 Oct	\$4,860		

2026 DATES

15 Jan - 04 Feb	\$5,120	17 Sep - 07 Oct	\$5,120
19 Feb - 11 Mar	\$5,120	08 Oct - 28 Oct	\$5,120
05 Mar - 25 Mar	\$5,120	15 Oct - 04 Nov	\$5,120
19 Mar - 08 Apr	\$5,120	05 Nov - 25 Nov	\$4,860

Supplement information

- Based on land only (Delhi - Delhi)
- Single room from \$1,310
- Tipping paid locally US\$115

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Discover Gadi Sagar Lake

# HIGHLIGHTS OF SRI LANKA

15 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$4,720

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Climb Sigiriya Rock Fortress
- ✓ Explore ancient Sinhalese ruins
- ✓ Discover the delights of Colombo
- ✓ Visit Kandy's sacred temple
- ✓ Spot elephants while on safari
- ✓ See Galle's historic fort



Admire the magnificent 'Lion Rock'

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 14 breakfasts, 13 lunches, 14 dinners
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star - 5 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Visit Kosgoda Turtle Hatchery

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Tour the wonderful conservation project at Kosgoda, where a specialist turtle hatchery works tirelessly to protect Sri Lanka's native sea turtle species, and meet its residents.
- ▶ In the island's cultural capital, Kandy, enjoy a fun and fascinating cultural performance of traditional Sri Lankan music and dance.
- ▶ In the cooler climes of Sri Lanka's Central Highlands, tour a tea factory and plantation to learn all about the cultivation and production of the refreshing tea grown in the area.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE COLOMBO

Arrive in Colombo. On arrival you will be met by your expert tour guide and transferred to your hotel in the coastal town of Negombo, a short drive from Colombo. The rest of the day is yours to explore.

### DAY 2: EXPLORE SIGIRIYA

This morning travel to Sigiriya, home to the 5th-century UNESCO World Heritage-listed Rock Fortress, 'Lion Rock'. Built by King Kassapa as the centre of his short-lived kingdom, pass between a pair of colossal lion's paws and climb to the top for panoramic views. Explore the surrounding gardens and admire the world-renowned Heavenly Maidens frescoes.

### DAY 3: DISCOVER POLONNARUWA

Explore the ancient city of Polonnaruwa, the capital of a kingdom that ruled the island between the 11th and 13th centuries, with its well-preserved stupas, frescoes and statues. This afternoon, embark on an adventurous jeep safari on Minneriya National Park. Look out for large herds of elephants, sloth bears, leopards and much more wonderful wildlife.

### DAY 4: ANURADHAPURA

Drive to celebrated Anuradhapura. The city's greatest treasures are its dagobas; domes enshrining sacred relics. The most notable is the Ruwanwelisaya Dagoba, dating back to the 2nd century BC, which you will visit today along with the Thuparamaya, said to contain the collarbone of Buddha. You'll also see the sacred Bo Tree, the city's most renowned relic. Bought here 2,250 years ago by the Emperor Asoka's daughter, it is believed to

have grown from a branch of the tree under which Buddha gained enlightenment.

### DAY 5: DAMBULLA ROCK TEMPLE

After breakfast, travel to Dambulla where you will tour the Rock Temple. Dating back to the 1st century BC, the temple is made up of five cave sanctuaries where you'll find some of Sri Lanka's most important Buddha images. Visit a spice garden in Matale where you can see cinnamon, cardamom, pepper creepers and other spice trees growing and watch a cooking demonstration. Continue through majestic hill country to the city of Kandy, Sri Lanka's cultural hub.

### DAY 6: CULTURAL KANDY

This morning, visit the Peradeniya Royal Botanical Gardens. Later, visit the Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic, one of the most revered Buddhist sites in the world. Stolen at Buddha's funeral, the tooth was smuggled into Sri Lanka hidden in the hair of a princess who fled from India. Explore the remains of the Royal Palace, now a museum. This evening you will watch a colourful cultural dance performance.

### DAY 7: NUWARA ELIYA

Board a train that will take you through the tea plantation-covered hills to Nuwara Eliya on one of the world's most picturesque rail journeys. The rest of the day is at leisure.

### DAY 8: TEA PLANTATION

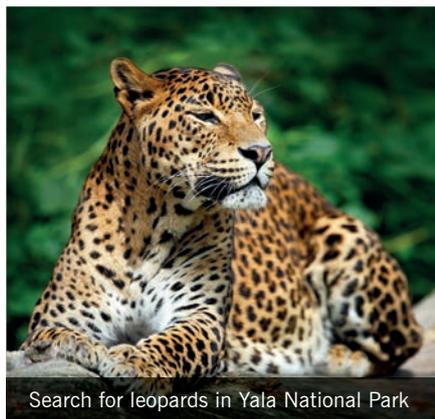
This morning you visit a tea plantation learning how tea is graded. Later this afternoon enjoy a city tour taking in the race course, Hill Club Hotel, Gregory Lake and Sita Amman Kovil.



**CLASSIC**  
SRI LANKA

PHYSICAL RATING **2**

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
An introduction to the beautiful country of Sri Lanka, travel from the rich heritage of the Cultural Triangle through the wilds of Yala National Park to the colonial seaside beauty of Galle.



Search for leopards in Yala National Park



Discover Galle Fort

**DAY 9: UDAWALAWE**

Travel to the Elephant Transit Home located near Udawalawe National Park, where abandoned baby elephants are cared for before they are released into the park. Continue to Yala, Sri Lanka's premiere national park.

**DAY 10: YALA NATIONAL PARK**

Enjoy morning and afternoon jeep safaris around the park. It is home to elephants, deer and many other mammal species, but most famous for its leopards, whose population density here is among the highest in the world.

**DAY 11: DRIVE TO GALLE**

Drive to the Hummanaya Blow Hole, the second largest of its kind in the world. After lunch, continue to Dikwella Wewurukannala Temple, dominated by an image of a seated Buddha that is over 48 metres high. Stop along the way at Weligama where you may see the unique stilt fishermen, an old tradition practised by around 500 fishing families in the region.

**DAY 12: OLD GALLE**

Explore the enchanting city of Galle, Sri Lanka's finest colonial treasure. See the lighthouse, the old town and the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Dutch Fort, before wandering charming streets lined with colonial villas, museums, cafes and antique shops.

**DAY 13: KOSGODA TURTLE HATCHERY**

Travel to Colombo, stopping at Kosgoda Turtle Hatchery. The hatchery is home to Sri Lanka's pioneering sea turtle conservation project, established in 1981 to protect the local turtle population.

**DAY 14: EXPLORE COLOMBO**

Embark on a city tour of Colombo this morning. Explore the Fort district, the historic centre of the city. Wander through Pettah Market. Visit the Dutch Church of Wolvendael, dating back to 1749, Kelaniya Buddhist Temple, a major pilgrimage site for Buddhist devotees, and Colombo's finest museums. The rest of the day is at leisure.

**DAY 15: DEPART COLOMBO**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

**EXTEND YOUR STAY...**



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**PRICES & DEPARTURES**

Departing Saturday returning Saturday

**2025 DATES**

01 Feb - 15 Feb	SOLD OUT	25 Oct - 08 Nov	\$4,720
01 Mar - 15 Mar	SOLD OUT	08 Nov - 22 Nov	\$4,720
15 Mar - 29 Mar	\$4,720	22 Nov - 06 Dec	\$6,040
12 Apr - 26 Apr	\$4,720		

**2026 DATES**

24 Jan - 07 Feb	\$5,120	17 Oct - 31 Oct	\$5,120
14 Feb - 28 Feb	\$5,120	24 Oct - 07 Nov	\$5,120
21 Feb - 07 Mar	\$5,120	07 Nov - 21 Nov	\$5,120
14 Mar - 28 Mar	\$5,120	21 Nov - 05 Dec	\$6,440
11 Apr - 25 Apr	\$5,120		

**Supplement information**

- Based on land only (Colombo - Colombo)
- Single room from \$1,290
- Tipping paid locally US\$100

Dedicated solos departure

Excludes international flights and Sri Lankan visa; please request at time of booking.

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Visit the Temple of the Tooth in Kandy

# KERALA & THE SOUTHERN HIGHLIGHTS

17 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON \$4,330

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Discover vibrant Chennai
- ✓ Ride Ooty's Toy Train
- ✓ Experience Mysore
- ✓ Cool off in the tea plantations
- ✓ Cruise Kerala's backwaters
- ✓ Relax in Kovalam



Enjoy the easy pace of life on Kerala's beautiful backwaters

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 16 breakfasts, 15 lunches, 16 dinners
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation, plus houseboat
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Enjoy a martial arts demonstration

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Marvel at the strength and agility of Kalaripayattu practitioners at a performance of Kerala's traditional art form. This old martial art combines defensive steps and stances with weaponry such as daggers, spears, maces and bows and arrows.
- ▶ Hosted by a local family in their home, take part in a cooking demonstration of tasty, traditional treats, learning the skills and techniques needed to prepare delicious Kerala dishes.
- ▶ Glimpse the traditional lifestyle of Kerala's fisher-folk with a visit to Kumbalangi, where you can see the villagers going about their day to day activities and discover traditional handicrafts.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE CHENNAI

Arrive in to the city of Chennai and transfer to your hotel. The rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 2: DISCOVER MAMALLAPURAM

After breakfast and tour introduction, you will travel to Mamallapuram. On arrival you will explore this coastal temple town, seeing the fascinating 7th and 8th-century rock carvings, enigmatically called 'Descent of the Ganges'.

### DAY 3: CHENNAI CITY

Return to Chennai, formerly known as Madras. This city was developed as a British trading post and is home to a number of colonial sights. A city tour begins at the 13-kilometre Marina Beach before a stop at Fort St. George and the British-built St. Mary's Church. The final stop is the colourful Shiva Kapaleeswarar Temple.

### DAY 4: TRAIN TO BANGALORE

Rise early to catch the Shatabdi Express to the garden city of Bangalore, where you will enjoy an afternoon city tour to see the Bull Temple, Tipu Sultan's Palace and Vidhana Soudha.

### DAY 5: MYSORE

Head to Mysore, stopping at Srirangapatna Fort en route. Visit the magnificent Maharaja's Palace and drive to Chamundi Hill to admire the 12th-century Sri Chamundeshwari Temple and Nandi Bull. Tonight, enjoy a traditional cooking demonstration hosted by a local family.

### DAY 6: DRIVE TO OOTY

Today you will journey to the hill station of Ooty, one of three Nilgiri stations, that sits high above the southern plains. Visit the Botanical gardens, taking an uphill walk to visit a small village, gaining insight into the lives of the local people.

### DAY 7: TOY TRAIN TO COONOR

All aboard the miniature, popular 'Toy Train' to Coonoor, where you will be surrounded with spectacular mountain views. Spend time walking around and appreciating the beauty of this quieter, less famous hill station before returning to Ooty.

### DAY 8: TRAVEL TO COIMBATORE

Drive to Coimbatore. On arrival, explore the sights of the city, taking in Sri Svetambra Vimalanther Jain Temple, St Michael's Cathedral and the Athar Jamid Mosque.

### DAY 9: MUNNAR

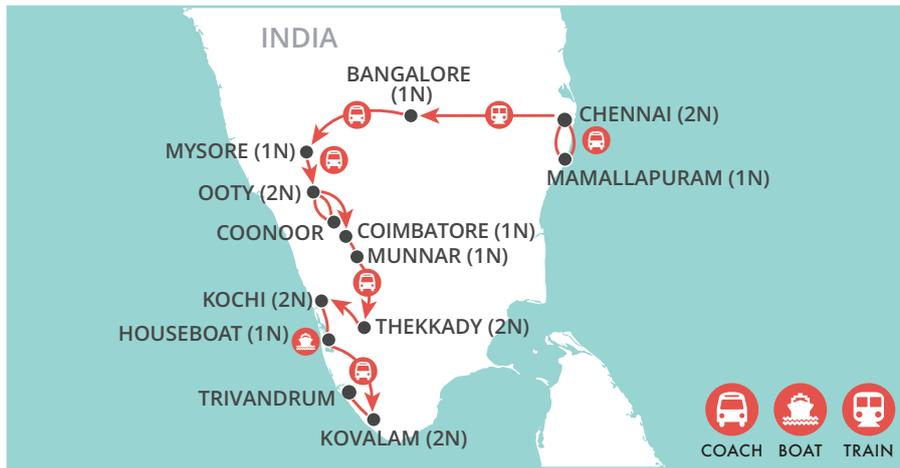
Travel to Munnar, a hill station enveloped by lush tea plantations. In the afternoon visit a tea plantation and the Tata Tea Museum.

### DAY 10: TRAVEL TO THEKKADY

Today explore Eravikulam National Park where you will have the opportunity to spot the local wildlife (closed Feb-Apr, when an alternative light trek will be available). Continue your journey to Thekkady, home of Periyar National Park and Wildlife Sanctuary.

### DAY 11: PERIYAR WILDLIFE RESERVE

Though designated as a Tiger Reserve in 1978, the Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary is best known for its elephants. Take a walk through the reserve, keeping an eye out for its resident elephant population, as well as wild dogs, barking deer,



**CLASSIC**  
INDIA

PHYSICAL RATING 2

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
Southern India offers an intensely tropical and laidback experience compared to the north. Travel from the stunning hill stations to the tranquil backwaters on this in-depth journey.



See the Shore Temple in Mamallapuram



Enjoy the 'Toy Train' ride to Ooty

mouse deer and the elusive Bengal tiger. Visit a spice village before enjoying a traditional Kalaripayattu (martial art) show this evening.

**DAY 12: DRIVE TO KOCHI**

Travel to the coastal town of Kochi. This evening enjoy an exuberant Kathakali dance performance.

**DAY 13: EXPLORE KOCHI**

Set off on a full day tour of Kochi. Start at St. Francis Church, the first European church built in India, before a visit to Santa Cruz Basilica. Nearby, see the Chinese fishing nets - the fishermen will demonstrate how they work while your guide explains the mechanics. Finish the day in the Jewish Quarter admiring the synagogue and a stroll through local markets.

**DAY 14: BACKWATERS CRUISING**

Travel to Kumarakom, stopping en route at Kumbalangi, a village created to highlight the lifestyle of fisher-folk in the area. Later board your houseboat, a converted rice barge known as a kettuvallam. Sit back and watch life on the water and the surrounding, untouched wilderness as you cruise unhurriedly along the canals. A delicious dinner of traditional cuisine will be served on board before spending a comfortable night on the water.



See Sri Padmanabhaswamy Temple

**DAY 15: DISCOVER TRIVANDRUM**

Have breakfast onboard before disembarking and heading for the beach town of Kovalam. Stop on the way in Kerala's capital Trivandrum to explore. Visit Sri Padmanabhaswamy Temple, the Observatory and Sri Chitra Art Gallery to name a few.

**DAY 16: RELAX IN KOVALAM**

This morning take a walking tour of the town and visit the lighthouse. The rest of the day is yours to relax or head to the beach, before a farewell dinner this evening.

**DAY 17: DEPART TRIVANDRUM**

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

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13 Feb - 01 Mar	\$4,330	30 Oct - 15 Nov	\$4,330
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## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Enjoy the buzz of vibrant Delhi
- ✓ Discover Udaipur's palaces
- ✓ Search for tigers in Ranthambore
- ✓ Marvel at the Taj Mahal
- ✓ Explore ancient Varanasi
- ✓ Admire the Amber Fort



Explore Mehrangarh Fort

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See colourful produce at local markets

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Soak up the sights and smells of one of Jodhpur's bustling local markets, where the stalls will be piled high with locally grown fruit and vegetables. Learn about the essential herbs and spices needed for Indian cuisine.
- ▶ Experience the electric atmosphere created by the flickering candles and tinkling bells of a puja held on the banks of the River Ganges, a ceremony dedicated to the river goddess.
- ▶ Venture into the old alleyways of Jaipur to try your hand at block printing, the practice of hand printing textiles with a carved wooden block, a traditional art of the city.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE DELHI

Arrive in Delhi, India's rambunctious capital city. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 2: EXPLORE DELHI

Experience Delhi; ride a rickshaw through the fragrant lanes of Khari Baoli Spice Market and visit Jama Masjid, India's largest mosque. Cross over into New Delhi to admire the grandeur of the colonial buildings of the Rajpath, Gandhi Smriti and UNESCO-listed Qutub Minar.

### DAY 3: TAJ MAHAL

Depart for Agra. On arrival, visit the colossal red sandstone Agra Fort, set on the banks of the Yamuna River. The fort was established in the 16th century but has had much added to it over time, making it an eclectic mix of architectural styles. Then you'll stand before India's most iconic building, the Taj Mahal, admiring the play of the light and exquisite detail of the luminous white marble.

### DAY 4: TRAVEL TO KHAJURAHO

Take a train to Jhansi, with a change at Orchha en route. Continue to Khajuraho, home of the famous temples and enjoy a cultural dance performance this evening.

### DAY 5: DISCOVER KHAJURAHO

Today, tour the eastern and western groups of Khajuraho's impressive temples. Fly to Varanasi and take a rickshaw to the atmospheric ghats on the River Ganges, where you'll witness a 'Ganga Aarti', a puja ceremony to the river goddess.

### DAY 6: RIVER GANGES

Rise early for a dawn boat ride along the River Ganges, followed by an informative city tour of Varanasi. This afternoon visit the Buddhist sites at Sarnath.

### DAY 7: EXPLORE JAIPUR

Fly to Jaipur where you have the rest of the day to explore the city on your own, before experiencing a traditional dance performance.

### DAY 8: AMBER FORT

Start the day with a stop at Hawa Mahal (Palace of the Winds) before visiting the majestic Amber Fort, a magnificent 16th-century yellow and pink sandstone fort. Visit the stunning City Palace, still home of the city's royal family today, and Jantar Mantar Observatory. Head into the backstreets of the old town to visit a workshop where you'll learn about traditional artstries like block printing and carpet weaving.

### DAY 9: TRAVEL TO JODHPUR

Drive to Jodhpur. Enjoy some leisure time before taking a walking tour to explore the huge variety of local produce at a bustling vegetable and spice market.

### DAY 10: EXPLORE JODHPUR

This morning visit the mighty Mehrangarh Fort, Jaswant Thada and the museum located in the extravagant Umaid Bhawan Palace. Ride an auto rickshaw to a local restaurant for lunch before enjoying the afternoon at leisure.

### DAY 11: LAKE PICHOLA

Drive to Udaipur, a city of lakes, palaces and temples. Relax on a cruise along Lake Pichola, admiring the city's grand architecture from the water.



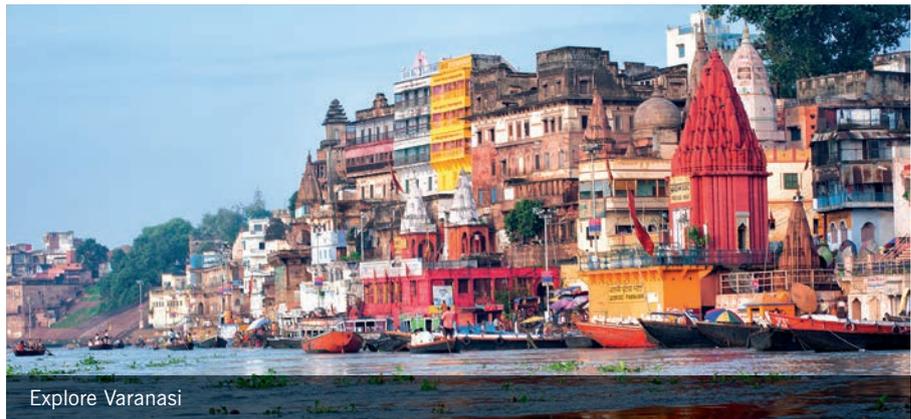
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INDIA

PHYSICAL RATING

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**  
Past the Taj Mahal and on to the holy city of Varanasi, crossing to explore the desert forts of Rajasthan and through Ranthambore, home of the majestic Bengal tiger – this tour covers many of India's most magnificent sights.



Visit the Umaid Bhawan Palace



Explore Varanasi

**DAY 12: ROMANTIC UDAIPUR**

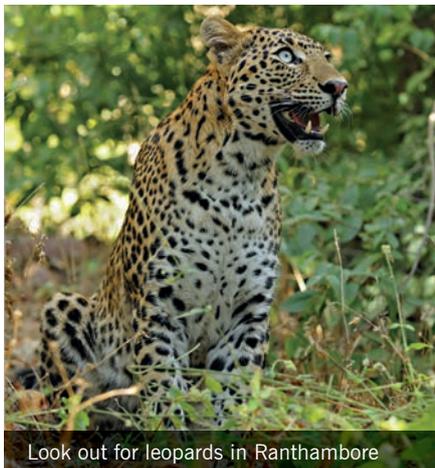
Today, explore the city, starting with a drive around Fateh Sagar Lake. Stop at the Folk Museum, Mewar Art Gallery and Sahelion Ki Bari Gardens. Later, visit the flamboyant City Palace and admire its delightful infusion of Rajasthani and Mughal styles.

**DAY 13: BUNDI'S STEPWELLS**

Drive to Bundi, stopping en route at Chittor Fort. Once of the largest forts in India, Chittor sprawls across a hilltop overlooking the town of Chittorgarh. In Bundi, set out on a walking tour which will include its unique and beautiful stepwells.

**DAY 14: RANTHAMBORE NATIONAL PARK**

Today, travel to Ranthambore National Park. On arrival, enjoy an afternoon at leisure.



Look out for leopards in Ranthambore

**DAY 15: RANTHAMBORE SAFARIS**

Enjoy both early morning and afternoon safaris, heading out on the trail of Ranthambore's most famous resident, the majestic Bengal tiger. Keep an eye out for a wealth of other wildlife too, like leopards, elephants and sloth bears.

**DAY 16: RETURN TO DELHI**

Morning train to Delhi where the rest of the day will be at leisure.

**DAY 17: DEPART DELHI**

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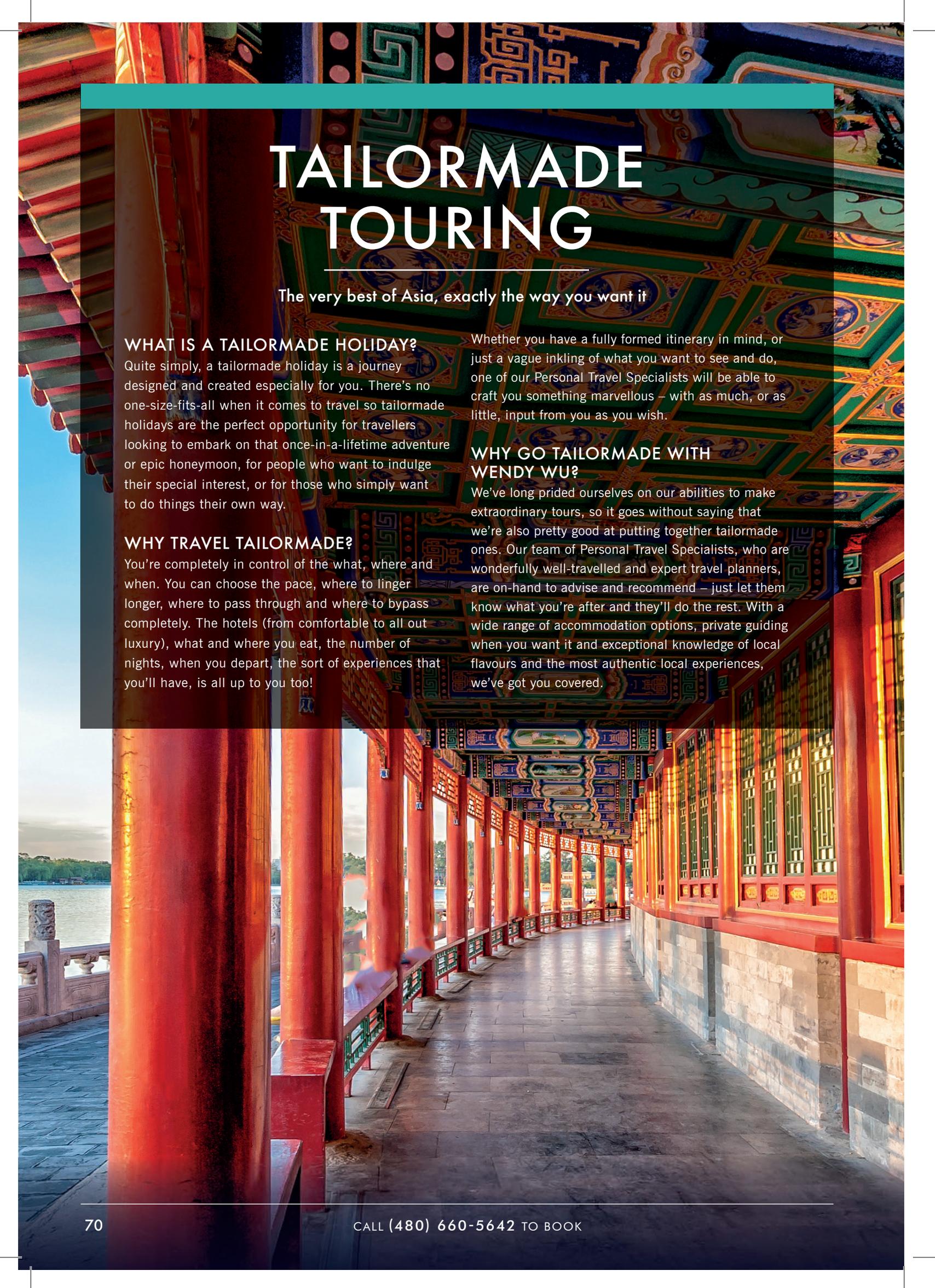
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## 1: Research

Do some research to decide where you want to go – it could be one, two or even more countries! Think about when you'd like to go, how long for and what your budget may be. For inspiration, you can always have a look at our website, or have a flick through our brochure and see not only the showstopping sights on offer, but the exciting and unusual experiences too!

## 2: Call us

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## 3: Sit back

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## 4: Perfect it

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## 5: Book it!

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# EXTENSIONS & STOPOVERS

Make your trip of a lifetime even more memorable by extending your tour, or adding a stopover en route. An extension will allow you to delve even deeper into a region, explore a whole other country, or even give you the chance to relax on a beautiful beach. A stopover on the other hand is an easy way not only to break up your journey, but also to add a few days in a buzzing, cosmopolitan metropolis to your travel itinerary.

Most of the extensions and stopovers that you'll find in the following pages are available to be added onto any of our tours. Just ask your reservations consultant for more information on how to do just that.

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# GREAT WALL HIKE

3 DAYS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ See stunning rural scenery
- ✓ Stay in Gubei Watertown
- ✓ Walk the Jinshanling and Gubeikou sections of the Great Wall



Hike from Gubeikou to Jinshanling

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	\$1,140	\$1,770

### Price includes:

- Accommodation (1 night Beijing, 1 night Gubei Watertown)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees

### DAY 1: ARRIVE BEIJING

Make your way to Beijing airport or railway station. Upon arrival, you will be met by your local guide and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

### DAY 2: GUBEIKOU - JINSHANLING HIKE

This morning, transfer to the Gubeikou section of the Great Wall, a stretch much less frequented by tourists than others. From here, start your hike towards Jinshanling; you will be walking for around 5-6 hours over a distance of 10 kilometres. Gubeikou is a rough and wild section of the Great Wall, while Jinshanling is known for its beautiful brickwork and watchtowers. Both sections offer some of the best views in China. The walk intersects a military base and you will therefore take a detour off the wall around the base, stopping at a farmhouse for lunch.

After finishing your hike, transfer to Gubei Watertown for an overnight stay. After dinner, explore the Simatai section of the Great Wall at night. Much of Simatai Great Wall has not been restored and offers a fantastic insight into years gone by. (B,L,D)

### DAY 3: GUBEI WATERTOWN

Spend the morning discovering the delights of Gubei Watertown. Built in the style of a Chinese ancient town, Gubei is nestled beside the Simatai section of the Great Wall and encompasses the beautiful Mandarin Duck Lake Reservoir. After lunch, return to your hotel in Beijing where arrangements end. (B,L)

# LHASA EXTENSION

4 DAYS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Explore the Potala Palace
- ✓ Wander the Barkhor Circuit
- ✓ Admire Jokhang Temple
- ✓ Visit the Sera Monastery



Gaze at the Potala Palace

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	\$1,180	\$2,140
Deluxe	\$1,430	\$2,630

### Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Lhasa)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees

### DAY 1: ARRIVE IN LHASA

Make your way to Lhasa airport or railway station. Upon arrival, you will be met by your local guide and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure to allow for acclimatisation.

### DAY 2: SACRED LHASA

Sightseeing today includes a stroll around Barkhor Circuit where traditional dress, market stalls selling religious trinkets, and the sound of chanted prayers by locals and pilgrims alike create a fascinating and vibrant atmosphere. At the heart of Barkhor, visit Tibet's most sacred temple, the 7th-century Jokhang Temple, before heading to Sera Monastery which has around 600 resident monks. (B,L)

### DAY 3: POTALA PALACE

Explore the 'crown jewel' of Tibet – the Potala Palace. The palace is an architectural wonder that towers over the city, with thousands of rooms filled with treasures such as intricate shrines and beautiful frescoes. Later, visit Norbulingka, the former summer residence of the Dalai Lama, home to several palaces and chapels. (B,L)

### DAY 4: DEPART LHASA

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport or railway station for your onward journey. (B)

# ZHANGJIAJIE EXTENSION

4 DAYS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Gaze on Zhangjiajie's pinnacles
- ✓ Admire peaceful Lake Baofeng
- ✓ Explore Mount Tianmen
- ✓ Discover Huanglong cave



Explore Zhangjiajie National Park

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	\$1,170	\$1,830
Deluxe	\$1,350	\$2,020

### Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Zhangjiajie)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees

### DAY 1: ARRIVE ZHANGJIAJIE

Make your way to Zhangjiajie airport or railway station. Upon arrival, you will be met by your local guide and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

### DAY 2: EXPLORE ZHANGJIAJIE

Enjoy a full day of exploring Zhangjiajie National Park. Begin at the Yuanjiajie Scenic Area and make your way around the karst scenery. Ride the Bailong glass elevator up to Mihun Stage and enjoy amazing views of the majestic peaks, including the 'First Bridge under the Sun' and Hallelujah Mountain. Continue to Emperor Mountain to visit Helong Park. Take a cable car down and head to Jinbian Stream and Ten-Mile Natural Gallery. You will be walking for around 4-5 hours in the park. (B,L)

### DAY 3: HUANGLONG CAVE

Enjoy a sampan cruise on Lake Baofeng, a peaceful expanse of water amongst picturesque karst scenery. Later, explore the colourful stalagmites and stalactites of the Huanglong Cave, stretching over 120 acres in area. (B,L)

### DAY 4: MOUNT TIANMEN

Take a cable car to the beautiful Mount Tianmen and walk on the thrilling glass skywalk. Visit Tianmen Cave, nicknamed 'Heaven's Door' and Jun Sheng Sandstone painting gallery. Later, transfer to the airport or railway station for your onward journey. (B,L)

# NINE VILLAGES VALLEY

4 DAYS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Spend two days discovering Jiuzhaigou National Park
- ✓ Explore Huanglong Valley



Admire crystal clear lakes in Nine Villages Valley

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	\$2,040	\$3,230
Deluxe	\$2,460	\$4,080

### Price includes:

- Accommodation (1 night Chengdu, 2 nights Jiuzhaigou)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees

Note: Huanglong is only accessible from 1 April to 31 October.

### DAY 1: ARRIVE CHENGDU

Make your way to Chengdu airport or railway station. Upon arrival, you will be met by your local guide and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

### DAY 2: NINE VILLAGES VALLEY

Bullet train to Jiuzhaigou. Upon arrival, transfer to the UNESCO World Heritage listed site of Nine Villages Valley visiting Huanglong Scenic Area en route. Located in the southern part of Minshan mountain range, the area is known for its colourful pools of limestone formations, snow-clad mountains, diverse forest ecosystems, pristine waterfalls and hot springs. (B,D)

### DAY 3: NINE VILLAGES VALLEY

Explore the 16km-long Nine Villages Valley, a botanical gallery that is heavily forested and home to many protected species. Entering the valley is like being transported into a different world, where crystal clear lakes gather at the foot of every waterfall. (B,L,D)

### DAY 4: DEPART CHENGDU

Return by road to Jiuzhaigou railway station for your onward bullet train to Chengdu. Your arrangements end on arrival. (B)

# CLASSIC TAIWAN

5 DAYS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ See bustling Taipei
- ✓ Visit Tehua aboriginal village
- ✓ Relax at Sun Moon Lake
- ✓ Uncover ancient Tainan



Visit Wen Wu Temple

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$1,390	\$2,590
Superior	\$1,540	\$2,900
Deluxe	\$1,790	\$3,370

### Price includes:

- Accommodation (2 nights Taipei, 1 night Sun Moon Lake, 1 night Tainan)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees



Relax at Sun Moon Lake



Visit the Confucius Temple

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE TAIPEI

Make your way to Taipei, Taiwan's capital. Upon arrival, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. Taipei is a laidback and vibrant city that, as well as being packed with the upmarket and ultramodern, is a bastion of Taiwan's wonderfully rich heritage. Its beauty lies in its blend of Chinese culture with a curious fusion of Japanese and Southeast Asian influences.

### DAY 2: TAIPEI TO SUN MOON LAKE

Depart Taipei to journey into the heart of the island to what is arguably Taiwan's most scenic spot – Sun Moon Lake. At an altitude of 762 metres, this large body of fresh water is one of the island's most lovely natural vistas, popular for hiking and biking. Here, visit the impressive Wen Wu Temple adorned with red and gold features, Holy Monk Shrine, Tze-En Pagoda which offers breathtaking views over the lake and the aboriginal village of Tehua. Stay overnight at Sun Moon Lake. (B)

### DAY 3: SUN MOON LAKE TO TAINAN

Travel south to Tainan, the ancient capital of Taiwan, rich in preserved historical sites and cultural relics. Take a walking tour around Anping Fort, which was established by the Dutch East India Company in the 17th century, though what you see today is a reconstruction. Wander down some of the most historical streets in the city, catching a glimpse of the Tainan of times-gone-by. Also visit Chihkan Tower, built in 1653 by Dutch colonisers and stop at the Confucius Temple. Stay overnight in Tainan. (B)

### DAY 4: TAINAN TO TAIPEI

Travel back to Taipei by high-speed train. Stop by the CKS Memorial Hall to see the Changing of the Guards ceremony and visit the 18th-century Longshan Temple. Take a photo stop at the world-famous Taipei 101. Towering above the city like the gigantic bamboo stalk it was designed to resemble, Taipei 101 is impossible to miss. Also explore the National Palace Museum, home to the world's largest and finest collection of Chinese art and artefacts including paintings, calligraphy, bronzes, lacquerware, ceramics, jade, religious objects and Martyr's Shrine. Enjoy the evening at leisure and perhaps visit one of the many markets on offer to experience local life in the city at night. (B)

### DAY 5: DEPART TAIPEI

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

# TAIPEI EXTENSION

4 DAYS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Discover bustling Taipei
- ✓ Ascend Taipei 101
- ✓ Explore the National Palace Museum
- ✓ See Longshan Temple



Explore vibrant Taipei

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$640	\$1,220
Superior	\$660	\$1,310
Deluxe	\$810	\$1,560

### Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Taipei)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees

### DAY 1: ARRIVE TAIPEI

Make your way to Taipei, Taiwan's capital. Upon arrival, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. Taipei is a laidback and vibrant city that, as well as being packed with the upmarket and ultramodern, is a bastion of Taiwan's wonderfully rich heritage. Its beauty lies in its blend of Chinese culture with a curious fusion of Japanese and Southeast Asian influences.

### DAY 2: TAIPEI

Your guide will meet you at your hotel in Taipei to commence your tour. Start with a visit to the Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall, a monument dedicated to the former leader. Next, ascend to the observation deck at Taipei 101 for a birds-eye view over

this sprawling city. Later, explore Longshan Temple and then Dihua Street known for its many Chinese medicine shops. Finish the day at the National Palace Museum to admire the Chinese imperial collections and Martyr's Shrine before returning to your hotel. (B)

### DAY 3: TAIPEI

Enjoy the day at leisure to explore the many sights and sounds of Taipei. (B)

### DAY 4: DEPART TAIPEI

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

# SCENIC WONDERS

4 DAYS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Explore Taroko National Park
- ✓ Tour the Gorge Gateway
- ✓ See Eternal Spring Shrine
- ✓ Relax at Sun Moon Lake



Discover the Eternal Spring Shrine

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$1,100	\$2,100
Superior	\$1,270	\$2,420
Deluxe	\$1,550	\$2,970

### Price includes:

- Accommodation (1 night Taipei, 1 night Taroko, 1 night Sun Moon Lake)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees

### DAY 1: ARRIVE TAIPEI

Make your way to Taipei, Taiwan's capital. Upon arrival, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

### DAY 2: TAROKO NATIONAL PARK & GORGE GATEWAY

Transfer by road to Taroko National Park, driving along the breathtaking east coast cliff highway, taking a photo stop enroute at Chingshui Cliff to enjoy the splendid scenery of the Pacific Ocean. Upon arrival at Taroko National Park, enjoy a tour of the Taroko Gorge Gateway, Eternal Spring Shrine and Swallow Grotto. (B)

### DAY 3: SUN MOON LAKE

This morning, travel to Sun Moon Lake driving along the central cross island highway on Mt Hehuan where you will have panoramic views over the central mountain ranges. Upon arrival at Sun Moon Lake, visit Wen Wu Temple, Holy Monk Shrine, Ita Thao Village and Tze-En Pagoda. (B)

### DAY 4: DEPART TAIPEI

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to Taipei for your onward flight. An additional night in Taipei may be required depending on your flight time. (B)

# CLASSIC SOUTH KOREA

5 DAYS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ See Gyeongbok Palace
- ✓ Taste delicious Korean street food
- ✓ Explore historic Gyeongju
- ✓ Admire UNESCO-listed Bulguksa Temple



Discover the Bulguksa Temple and Seokguram Grotto

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$2,960	\$5,010
Superior	\$3,230	\$5,210
Deluxe	\$3,820	\$5,670

### Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Seoul, 1 night Gyeongju)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees



Visit Bulguksa Temple



Enjoy delicious street food

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE SEOUL

Make your way to Seoul, South Korea's capital. Upon arrival, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. This dynamic city may be well and truly on fast-forward for everything from fashion to technology, but it is still deeply rooted in tradition. Stumble upon temples and palaces amongst the glittering skyscrapers and neon billboards and enjoy Seoul's foodie credentials – the street snacks are second to none!

### DAY 2: EXPLORE SEOUL

Take a full day to explore some of Seoul's many treasures with a local guide. Start at Gyeongbok Palace, the country's most famous and beautiful royal palace, where, as well as exploring, you will see the Royal Guard Changing Ceremony. Next, visit symbolic Namsan Park and N Seoul Tower before heading to Gwangjang Market to taste some of Seoul's best street food. This evening you have the option of watching a traditional music and dance performance at Korea House (payable locally). (B)

### DAY 3: HISTORIC GYEONGJU

Meet your driver-guide and transfer to Seoul station. Travel on the KTX bullet train to Gyeongju. Located in the southeastern corner of North Gyeongsang Province, this city was the ancient capital of the Silla Kingdom, which ruled part of the Korean peninsula from the year 57BC to 935AD. Gyeongju is a living museum, home to a staggering amount of heritage sites, from tombs and temples to pagodas and palaces.

On arrival, meet your driver and start discovering historic Gyeongju. Head to Mount Tohamsan and the UNESCO World Heritage Bulguksa Temple and Seokguram Grotto. The temple is considered a masterpiece of Silla architecture whilst Seokguram Grotto, a hermitage, is home to some of the world's best Buddhist sculptures. There will also be time to enjoy the vistas around Bomun Lake. Stay overnight in Gyeongju. (B,L)

### DAY 4: RETURN TO SEOUL

Meet your driver-guide to further explore Gyeongju. Start at the National Museum and marvel at its collection of Silla relics. Continue to Tumuli Park with its many royal tombs before heading to the 7th-century Cheomseongdae Observatory, the oldest surviving observatory in East Asia. Finally, visit Anapji Pond. Return by bullet train to Seoul where the evening is at leisure. (B,L)

### DAY 5: DEPART SEOUL

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

# SEOUL EXTENSION

4 DAYS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Discover bustling Seoul
- ✓ See Gyeongbok Palace
- ✓ Visit the National Folk Museum
- ✓ Explore Namdaemun Market



Enjoy panoramic views over Seoul

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$850	\$1,180
Superior	\$1,010	\$1,310
Deluxe	\$1,540	\$1,840

### Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Seoul)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Seat-in-coach touring with guides and entrance fees

### DAY 1: ARRIVE SEOUL

Make your way to Seoul, South Korea's capital. Upon arrival, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. This dynamic city may be well and truly on fast-forward for everything from fashion to technology, but it is still deeply rooted in tradition – you'll find yourself stumbling upon temples and palaces amongst the glittering skyscrapers and neon billboards. Seoul is also the place for foodies, the street snacks are second to none!

### DAY 2: SEOUL

Make your own way to the pick-up point to begin your full day seat-in-coach tour of the city. Start at Gyeongbok Palace, where, as well as exploring, you will see the Royal

Guard Changing Ceremony. Next, head to the Exhibition Hall and enjoy some free time for lunch. Take a stroll along Insadong Street, browse the stalls at Gwangjang Market and a visit to N Seoul Tower for panoramic views over the city ends the day. Drop-off will be at Myeongdong, and from there you can make your own way back to the hotel. *Itinerary will vary if this day falls on a Tuesday.* (B)

### DAY 3: SEOUL

Enjoy the day at leisure to explore the many sights and sounds of Seoul. (B)

### DAY 4: DEPART SEOUL

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

# JEJU ISLAND EXTENSION

4 DAYS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Explore Hallim Park
- ✓ Take a stroll on Hyeopjuae Beach
- ✓ Visit impressive Sunrise Peak
- ✓ Explore Manjanggal Cave



Explore beautiful Jeju Island

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$650	\$720
Superior	\$1,050	\$1,110
Deluxe	\$1,110	\$1,210

### Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Jeju Island)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Seat-in-coach touring with guides and entrance fees

Note: A domestic flight is required for this extension at a supplement and the price will be confirmed at the time of booking.

### DAY 1: ARRIVE JEJU ISLAND

Make your way to Jeju Island. Upon arrival, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

### DAY 2: EXPLORE JEJU ISLAND

Make your own way to the pick-up point to begin your full day seat-in-coach tour of Jeju Island (west course). Begin at Hyeopjuae Beach, then continue to Hallim Park to see its sub-tropical gardens and mysterious lava caves. After lunch, see O'Sulloc green tea field and Mt Songak. Also visit Cheonjeyeon Waterfalls or Teddy Bear Museum. Drop-off will be at the pick-up point, and from there you can make your own way back to the hotel. *Itinerary will differ if the weather is bad.* (B,L)

### DAY 3: MORE TIME IN JEJU ISLAND

Make your own way to the pick-up point to begin your second full day seat-in-coach tour of Jeju Island (east course). Begin the day exploring Jeolmul Forest, followed by a visit to Seongeup Folk Village. After lunch, head to Seongsan Sunrise Peak and explore Manjanggal Lava Cave. Drop-off will be at the same place as the pick-up point, and from there you can make your own way back to the hotel. *Itinerary will differ if the weather is bad.* (B,L)

### DAY 4: DEPART JEJU ISLAND

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

# MUI NE BEACH

**4 DAYS**

One of Vietnam's most accessible beaches, Mui Ne is a gorgeous strip of coastline that has something for everyone! From action-packed pursuits like kite-surfing to quaint local fishing villages to visit, this town is more than just sun and sand.

**DAY 1: ARRIVE MUI NE**

Travel by road from Saigon to the beautiful beaches of Mui Ne. Check in to your hotel and spend the rest of the day at leisure.

**DAY 2: MUI NE SAND DUNES**

Spend the morning at leisure before embarking on a trip to explore Mui Ne's huge sand dunes. Then, head north to Fairy Spring, an idyllic stream before a visit to a nearby fishing village where you can observe local life. (B)

**DAY 3: MUI NE FREE DAY**

Spend your free time in Mui Ne relaxing. (B)

**DAY 4: DEPART MUI NE**

After a last dip in the sea, travel to Saigon airport by private transfer. (B)



Relax on Mui Ne Beach

Prices are from per person, based on low season

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	\$920	\$1,770
Deluxe	\$970	\$1,920

Flight supplements may apply

**Price includes**

- Accommodation (3 nights Mui Ne)
- Meals as stated
- Entrance fees
- Touring as stated
- Airport transfers

# SAPA

**4 DAYS**

Overlooking a valley of picturesque terraced rice fields, Sapa is the perfect place to immerse yourself in both scenic beauty and culture, and to embark on a trek through the spectacular countryside.

**DAY 1: TRAVEL TO SAPA**

Transfer around five hours from your hotel in Hanoi to beautiful Sapa town, a vibrant settlement nestled in an area of verdant rolling hills. The rest of your day is at leisure.

**DAY 2: WATERFALLS & MOUNTAINS**

Travel a short distance through mountainous scenery to Hoang Lien National Park and visit Silver Waterfall, Love Waterfall and Heaven's Gate. There'll be a lovely stop for a refreshment – a cup of tea at a local orchard. (B)

**DAY 3: HILLTRIBES**

Today visit Ta Van, a small Giay village, an area that is home to local hilltribe communities. Walk through the scenic rice terraces to learn about the traditional life and culture of the Black Hmong people. (B,L)

**DAY 4: DEPART SAPA**

Spend the morning at leisure before your transfer back to Hanoi airport. (B)



Explore the rice fields of Sapa

Prices are from per person, based on low season

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	\$1,030	\$2,100
Deluxe	\$1,310	\$2,570

Flight supplements may apply

**Price includes**

- Accommodation (3 nights Sapa)
- Meals as stated
- Entrance fees
- Transfers as stated

# BANGKOK

**4 DAYS**

Thailand's capital is an atmospheric, energetic metropolis full of character. Join a fascinating city tour where you'll discover some of Bangkok's rich heritage before visiting the infamous Bridge over the River Kwai and riding on the Death Railway.

**DAY 1: ARRIVE IN BANGKOK**

Arrive in Bangkok and transfer from the airport to your hotel. You'll feel the energy of this rambunctious city straight away, so why not use the rest of the day to begin your explorations?

**DAY 2: BANGKOK CITY TOUR**

Embark on a city tour of Bangkok. Visit the glittering Wat Pho temple and the spectacular Grand Palace before jumping into a long tail boat for a ride on the Chao Phraya River to Pak Klong Talaat Flower Market before dinner. (B,D)

**DAY 3: RIVER KWAI & HELLFIRE PASS**

Head three hours out of Bangkok to Kanchanaburi Province, which is home to the infamous Bridge over the River Kwai and the 'Death Railway'. See the Allied War Cemetery and walk through Hellfire Pass and the Memorial Museum. Return to Bangkok. (B,L)

**DAY 4: DEPART BANGKOK**

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast before checking out of the hotel. The rest of the day is free to spend as you wish before transferring to Bangkok airport. (B)



Visit Wat Pho in Bangkok

Prices are from per person, based on low season

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	\$770	\$1,420
Deluxe	\$1,130	\$2,210

**Price includes**

- Accommodation (3 nights Bangkok)
- Meals as stated
- Touring as stated
- Airport transfers
- Entrance fees

# LAOS

**5 DAYS**

The perfect introduction to the magic of Laos, explore the country's cultural heart, Luang Prabang, home to golden temples and colonial beauty, and laidback, charming capital city Vientiane.

**DAY 1: ARRIVE LUANG PRABANG**

Arrive in Luang Prabang, the cultural heart of Laos. Board a tuk tuk for a first look at the city, from Wat Xieng Thong, to Wat Mai and the National Museum. (D)

**DAY 2: KUANG SI WATERFALLS**

After breakfast, travel south to the scenic Kuang Si Waterfalls, stopping en route at the Living Crafts Centre and the Free the Bears sanctuary for rescued sun bears. (B,L,D)

**DAY 3: PAK OU CAVES**

Cruise along the Mekong River to visit the Pak Ou Caves,

with stops at a local village for lunch before cruising back to Luang Prabang. (B,L,D)

**DAY 4: FLY TO VIENTIANE**

Board an early flight to Vientiane, Laos' laid-back capital. Visit Wat Si Saket, Wat Phra Keo, That Luang Stupa and the Patuxai Victory Monument. (B,L,D)

**DAY 5: DEPART VIENTIANE**

Today, visit the weird and wonderful Buddha Park. Home to more than 200 intriguing statues, it's a must see before heading to the airport for your onward flight. (B)



Visit Wat Pha That Luang

Prices are from per person, based on low season

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	\$1,260	\$2,160
Deluxe	\$1,390	\$2,900

Flight supplements may apply

**Price includes**

- Accommodation (3 nights Luang Prabang, 1 night Vientiane)
- Meals as stated
- Touring and entrance fees
- Airport transfers
- Domestic flight (Luang Prabang - Vientiane)

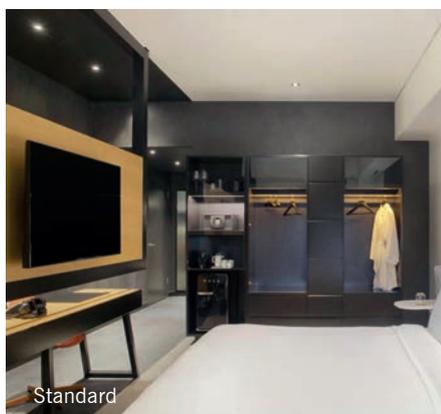
# DUBAI STOPOVERS

Dubai is the ultimate urban destination – a city full of cutting-edge architecture, epic shopping malls, the finest of the world’s luxury hotels and a cosmopolitan nightlife, all topped off with excellent beaches. As modern and extravagant as Dubai might be, there is still plenty of rich and traditional culture to be found, particularly amongst the labyrinthine alleys of the old city.



Admire the ultra-modern architecture of downtown Dubai

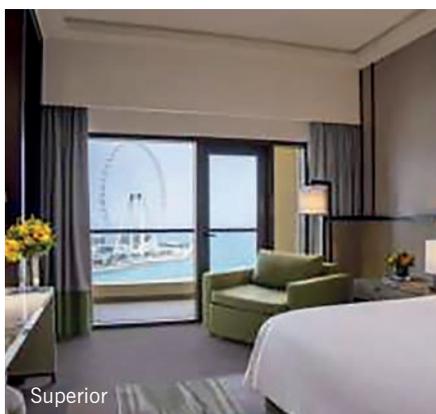
## DUBAI HOTELS



Standard

### CANOPY BY HILTON DUBAI AL SEEF ★★★★★

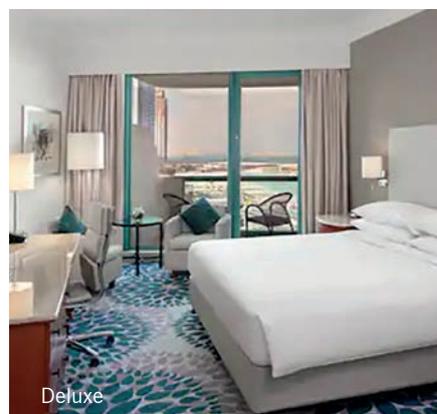
Canopy by Hilton Dubai Al Seef is a contemporary new hotel located beside Dubai Creek, steps away from the boardwalk, which means you are spoilt for choice of shops and restaurants. The view from the rooftop pool is simply superb.



Superior

### AMWAJ ROTANA HOTEL ★★★★★

Located on 'The Walk', the Amwaj Rotana is well situated for shopping and entertainment. Walking distance to the Arabian Gulf beaches, the hotel facilities include an outdoor pool, three restaurants and wellness centre.



Deluxe

### HILTON DUBAI JUMEIRAH HOTEL ★★★★★+

Ideally located on a private beach in Dubai Marina, the Hilton Dubai Jumeirah is where contemporary luxury meets the timeless charms of the Arabian Gulf. Facilities include a spa and water sports.

## ESSENTIAL DUBAI

### 3 DAYS

See a whole other side of Dubai on a stopover that includes a half day city tour that provides an insight into Dubai's rich history. Admire the incredible architecture – ultra-modern and deeply traditional, and browse through the wares of Dubai's old souks, as atmospheric today as they have been for centuries.

**DAY 1: ARRIVE DUBAI**  
Upon arrival in Dubai, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure.

**DAY 2: EXPLORE DUBAI**  
Enjoy a half day shared tour of the city, which provides an insight into Dubai's rich history. Begin in Bastakiya's historic heart, home to the 225-year-old Fort Al Fahidi. Next, take a step back in time and cross Dubai Creek

by traditional abra (water taxi) to Deira. Wander through the vibrant spice and gold souks – where the wares have been the same for centuries – and haggle for a bargain or two! Drive by the iconic Burj Al Arab before a photo stop at Jumeirah Mosque, an architectural landmark. The rest of the day is at leisure. (B)

**DAY 3: DEPART DUBAI**  
Enjoy time at leisure before transferring to Dubai airport for your onward flight. (B)



Cross Dubai Creek in a traditional Abra

Prices are from per person, based on low season

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$390	\$640
Superior	\$470	\$690
Deluxe	\$550	\$1,010

#### Price includes

- Accommodation (2 nights Dubai)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Shared touring with guides and entrance fees

## DUBAI & THE DESERT

### 4 DAYS

See a whole other side of Dubai on a stopover that includes a half day city tour that provides insight into Dubai's rich history. Also included is a desert safari where you spend the evening enjoying the entertainment as you feast on Arabic cuisine under the stars at a traditional Bedouin-style camp.

**DAY 1: ARRIVE DUBAI**  
Upon arrival in Dubai, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure.

**DAY 2: EXPLORE DUBAI**  
Enjoy a half day tour that begins in Bastakiya's historic heart, home to the 225-year-old Fort Al Fahidi. Take a step back in time and cross Dubai Creek by traditional abra to Deira. Wander through the vibrant spice and gold souks before driving by the iconic Burj Al Arab and enjoy a photo stop at Jumeirah Mosque, an architectural landmark. The rest of the day is at leisure. (B)

**DAY 3: DESERT ADVENTURE**  
The day is at leisure before you head out into the desert for a magical evening. View falcons at an amphitheatre before an exciting drive into the sand dunes, with a stop at the perfect spot for sunset. Stop at a Bedouin-style camp for a delicious Arabic-style buffet with unlimited drinks of selected beverages. Here, you can also try camel riding or have a traditional henna design drawn on your hand. (B,D)

**DAY 4: DEPART DUBAI**  
Enjoy time at leisure before transferring to Dubai airport for your onward flight. (B)



Head deep into the spectacular desert for a magical experience

Prices are from per person, based on low season

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$480	\$760
Superior	\$730	\$1,230
Deluxe	\$800	\$1,390

#### Price includes

- Accommodation (3 nights Dubai)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Shared touring with guides and entrance fees

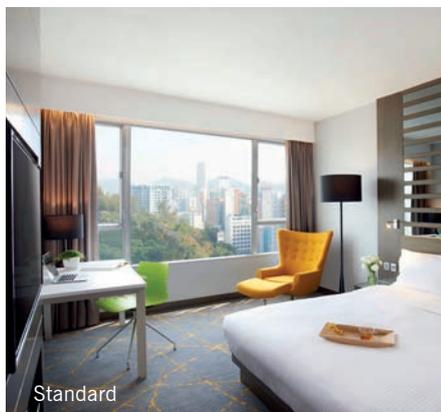


# HONG KONG STOPOVERS

Hong Kong boasts award-winning gastronomy, a colourful nightlife and unbeatable city views from panoramic Victoria Peak or from the deck of a sampan on the harbour. A sophisticated and lively metropolis, Hong Kong's mix of colonial influences, futuristic modernity and distinct Chinese traditions make it the ultimate East-meets-West destination.

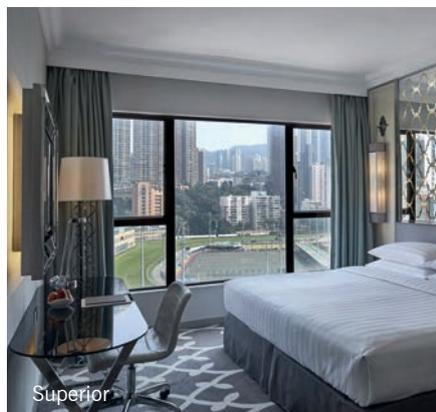
Explore Hong Kong

## KOWLOON HOTELS



### THE CITYVIEW ★★☆☆

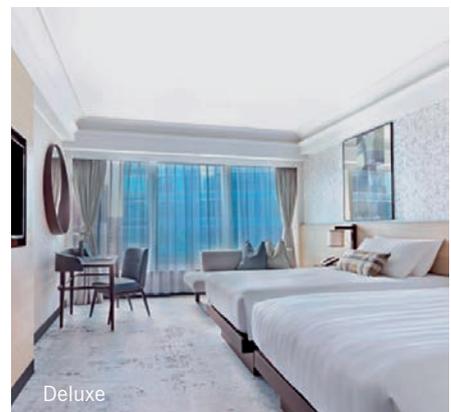
Located in the heart of Yau Ma Tei, The Cityview sits adjacent to bustling Nathan Road. It has a cosy Cantonese restaurant, a casual cafe and an airy Thai eatery. Offering world-class green eco standards and attentive service, The Cityview will make you feel right at home.



### DORSETT, WAN CHAI ★★★★★

Perfectly located next to the Happy Valley Racecourse, the Dorsett offers bright and airy rooms decorated in a series of elegant themes. Just 10 minutes stroll from Causeway Bay MTR station, a free shuttle serves the most popular spots close by.

## HONG KONG ISLAND HOTELS



### HARBOUR GRAND KOWLOON ★★★★★

Harbour Grand Kowloon is conveniently located on the Kowloon waterfront, offering unrivalled views of Victoria Harbour. Facilities include five restaurants, a lounge, a spa, and a seasonal outdoor rooftop swimming pool.

# HONG KONG GLIMPSES

**3 DAYS**

This fleeting visit to Hong Kong features all of the highlights of this vibrant city, including panoramic views from Victoria Peak and a ride on the longest outdoor covered escalator. Take some time to relax and explore the city's foodie scene.

**DAY 1: ARRIVE HONG KONG**

Arrive in Hong Kong and take a coach transfer from the airport to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure.

**DAY 2: HONG KONG TOUR**

This afternoon embark on a thrilling adventure as you ride the world's longest outdoor escalator, marvelling at the city's vibrant streets. Next, visit Tai Kwun, a cultural haven within historic walls.

Indulge in a dim sum feast, where each bite is a culinary delight, before you hop aboard the latest 6th generation peak tram to Victoria Peak, capturing breath taking panoramic views. Finally, visit Lion's Point View Pavilion, and get ready to immortalize this awe-inspiring scene with your cameras. (B)

**DAY 3: DEPART HONG KONG**

Enjoy time at leisure before transferring to Hong Kong airport. (B)



Admire the view from Victoria Peak

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$410	\$610
Superior	\$450	\$720
Deluxe	\$590	\$890

**Price includes**

- Accommodation (2 nights Hong Kong)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Shared touring with with guides and entrance fees

# HONG KONG IN FOCUS

**4 DAYS**

Designed to show you two aspects of life in the city, tour the best bits of Hong Kong Island before discovering the natural beauty of Lantau, Hong Kong's largest island. See the Grand Buddha and enjoy lunch at Po Lin Monastery, with some time to further explore as you wish.

**DAY 1: ARRIVE HONG KONG**

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this awe-inspiring scene with your cameras. (B)

**DAY 3: LANTAU ISLAND**

Spend today discovering Lantau Island. Transfer to Tung Chung for a stunning cable car ride up to Ngong Ping Plateau where the Grand Buddha sits majestically next to the Po Lin Monastery. After touring the Giant Buddha Exhibition Hall and the monastery, sit down for a delicious vegetarian lunch. Later visit various well-wishing temples, offering you the opportunity to immerse yourself in the distinctive culture of these Chinese traditions. (B,L)

**DAY 4: DEPART HONG KONG**

Enjoy time at leisure before transferring to Hong Kong airport. (B)



See the Grand Buddha at Lantau Island

Prices are from per person, based on low season

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$690	\$940
Superior	\$740	\$1,130
Deluxe	\$960	\$1,420

**Price includes**

- Accommodation (3 nights Hong Kong)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Shared touring with with guides and entrance fees

# Hotels

Your accommodation is chosen for the convenience of its location, levels of comfort or quirky character, so it can range from a smart business hotel here to a family-run guesthouse there. Here is a taster of the type of hotels you will be staying in on your tour.

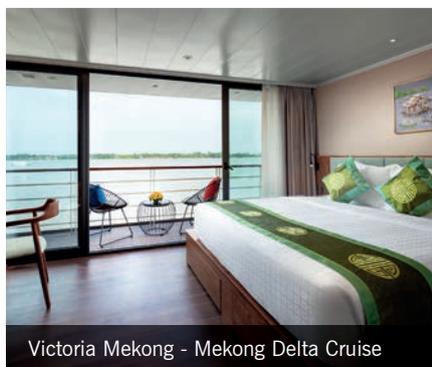
## EXAMPLE TOUR HOTELS IN ASIA



Lijiang Waterfall Hotel - Guilin, China



Fujisan Mishima Tokyo Hotel - Mishima, Japan



Victoria Mekong - Mekong Delta Cruise



Lotus Blanc Hotel - Siem Reap, Cambodia



Jagat Palace - Pushkar, India



Righa Royal Hotel - Kyoto, Japan



Bhaya Classic - Halong Bay, Vietnam

Hotels on our group tours are generally rated as local three to four star standard, but please note that there is no international classification system for hotels and differences in facilities and quality may exist between the USA and Asia. Hotels are subject to change and will be confirmed with your final documents.

# Asia for all seasons

Our tours cover the length and breadth of Asia. Depending on the time of year and where you travel, you may experience two or more seasons as you journey through the country.

BEIJING			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	16	34	0.1
Feb	21	41	0.2
Mar	32	54	0.3
Apr	46	68	0.8
May	57	79	1.3
Jun	66	86	3.1
Jul	72	88	7.3
Aug	70	86	6.3
Sep	59	79	1.8
Oct	46	66	0.9
Nov	32	50	0.3
Dec	21	39	0.1

SHANGHAI			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	34	46	3
Feb	36	46	1.7
Mar	41	55	4.6
Apr	52	66	2.5
May	61	75	3.3
Jun	68	81	8.3
Jul	77	90	5.6
Aug	77	90	9.1
Sep	70	81	3
Oct	59	72	2.5
Nov	48	63	1.7
Dec	36	52	1.3

## Beijing

Beijing's climate, like the city itself, is ever changing. Winter is cold, but with crisp blue skies and fewer visitors. Spring and autumn are the most popular times to visit as the weather is warmer but with cloudier skies.

## Shanghai

Shanghai's weather can be split into four distinct seasons – a warm spring, a hot and rainy summer, cooler weather in autumn and a cold winter. Being next to the sea, Shanghai experiences more rain than the rest of China.

DELHI			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	45	64	0.9
Feb	52	73	0.7
Mar	59	82	0.5
Apr	72	97	0.3
May	79	102	0.5
Jun	81	99	2.9
Jul	81	93	7.1
Aug	79	91	6.8
Sep	75	91	4.6
Oct	66	88	0.4
Nov	55	81	0.1
Dec	46	70	0.4

COLOMBO			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	72	88	2.4
Feb	73	88	2.7
Mar	75	90	5.1
Apr	77	90	10.0
May	79	88	15.0
Jun	79	86	7.3
Jul	77	86	4.9
Aug	77	86	4.5
Sep	77	86	9.3
Oct	75	86	14.5
Nov	73	86	12.2
Dec	73	86	6.6

## Delhi

Delhi's location allows a clash of climate types, meaning that it has distinct summer and winter seasons. May is the peak of the summer where temperatures reach the high 30s until the break of the monsoon at the end of June.

## Colombo

Sri Lanka's capital tends to be temperate all year round with temperatures hovering between 26 and 30 degrees. The monsoon brings rain to the city between May and August and also between October and January.

SAIGON			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	72	88	0.4
Feb	72	90	0.4
Mar	75	91	0.4
Apr	79	91	2.0
May	79	91	8.3
Jun	77	86	11.8
Jul	77	88	11.4
Aug	77	88	10.6
Sep	75	88	13.4
Oct	75	86	10.2
Nov	73	84	4.3
Dec	72	82	1.6

BANGKOK			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	70	88	0.4
Feb	73	90	0.8
Mar	77	91	1.2
Apr	79	93	2.8
May	79	91	7.5
Jun	79	90	5.9
Jul	77	90	5.9
Aug	77	90	7.1
Sep	77	88	12.6
Oct	77	88	9.1
Nov	75	88	2.0
Dec	70	86	0.4

## Saigon

Tropical Saigon is usually warm all year round and dry during the winter and spring months. Popular times to visit are November to May. Saigon's rainy season falls in the summer months, but these rain spells often clear quickly.

## Bangkok

With its typical tropical climate, Bangkok is warm year round and at its hottest between March and June. Humidity levels are higher during this time, but this vibrant city cools down a little between July and October with periods of rainy weather and occasional showers.

TOKYO			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	34	50	2.0
Feb	36	50	2.4
Mar	39	57	4.3
Apr	50	68	4.7
May	57	73	5.1
Jun	63	77	6.3
Jul	72	84	5.9
Aug	73	88	6.3
Sep	68	81	8.3
Oct	59	72	7.9
Nov	46	61	3.5
Dec	39	55	2.0

SAPPORO			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	19	32	3.9
Feb	21	32	3.7
Mar	27	41	3.1
Apr	39	52	2.0
May	48	63	2.0
Jun	57	70	1.8
Jul	63	77	3.1
Aug	66	79	4.7
Sep	59	73	5.5
Oct	45	61	4.3
Nov	34	48	4.1
Dec	23	36	4.7

## Tokyo

Tokyo enjoys distinct seasons, with summers that are hot, humid and rainy and winters that are mild and sunny. While September and October tend to be the wettest months, the spring and autumn are both wonderful times to visit with sunshine and warm temperatures.

## Sapporo

Even with heavy snow and low temperatures in the winter, Sapporo is a year round city. In the spring, the snow thaws and while temperatures start off chilly they warm into a pleasant, mild summer with some humidity. Autumns are cool and dry.

# Your questions answered

A selection of our most frequently asked questions.

## BEFORE YOU TRAVEL

**Q. How soon after making our booking will we receive confirmation?**

**A.** Once we have received your deposit payment, we will send you a confirmation invoice within 24 hours.

**Q. Do you send us information about the destinations we will visit?**

**A.** It is essential that you read the relevant tour dossier before booking, which you can find on [wendywutours.co.uk](http://wendywutours.co.uk), or we can arrange for one to be sent to you. If there are any particular challenges such as the length of time spent on your feet, journey times or accommodation standards, they will be explained in these concise trip notes. Two weeks before you travel, you will receive a detailed day-by-day itinerary, a travel guide and phrasebook with your final documents. Please note - Wendy Wu Tours are flight inclusive from the UK and our tour dossiers reflect the flying time, which may differ from the days listed in this brochure and on our website.

**Q. Will I know which hotels I will be staying in before I go?**

**A.** Hotel details will be sent with your final documents around two weeks prior to departure. Note that these may be subject to change. Hotels are generally of 3.5-4-star standard on our Classic tours. In more remote areas, accommodation may be of a lower standard and may not have all western amenities. Rest assured that all hotels used by Wendy Wu Tours are regularly inspected by our staff and our partners to ensure that standards meet your needs. If you require an early check-in or late check-out for your arrival and departure days, please contact us.

**Q. How do I get my visa?**

**A.** Visas are not included for travellers based outside of the United Kingdom. Please speak to your travel agent or nearest Consulate for further details on obtaining a visa.

**Q. Do I need travel insurance?**

**A.** Your protection and safety are our main priority. That's why having adequate travel insurance is a condition of booking with us for all the destinations you plan to travel to. Your travel insurance policy must include full cover for COVID-19 both before and during your tour.

**Q. What vaccinations do I need?**

**A.** Vaccination requirements often change, therefore for up to date information please always seek your doctor's advice.

**Q. How fit do I need to be?**

**A.** Our Group tours are graded on each page with a Physical Rating to reflect the level of fitness required. The specific reasons for a particular grading for each tour are clearly described in the Tour Dossiers which you can find on our website. Please contact us if you require any advice. Our range of Private tours is more flexible and may better cater for individual needs. Ask us for more details.

**Q. What size are your tour groups?**

**A.** The group size varies depending on the tour but is usually between 8 and 28 passengers. Usually there is a maximum of 28 passengers on our Classic tours. You may meet other tour groups travelling concurrently. Where available, on our group tours we operate a seat-and-a-half policy, allowing you to travel in comfort.

**Q. Do you run guaranteed departures?**

**A.** Group tours are guaranteed to run subject to a minimum of 10 passengers. A National Escort will accompany each group of 10 or more. We will endeavour to run groups of a smaller size if viable to do so.

**Q. As a single traveller, will I have to pay a single supplement?**

**A.** We offer several options for single travellers joining our tours. The first is to book onto one of our Solo Departures, which are reserved exclusively for solo travellers and have single occupancy of a double room built into the tour price (plus free access to an airport lounge and a welcome cocktail on arrival) or, if you prefer, you can pay the single room supplement on a regular departure and have a private room reserved for you. Another possibility is to choose our 'Happy to Share' option where, if we can find you a share partner of the same gender, your Single Supplement will be removed from your booking. We regret that Happy to Share requests cannot be accepted within 75 days of departure.

**Q. What is the maximum luggage allowance on your tours?**

**A.** For most destinations, your main suitcase or backpack must not exceed 20kg, and in India, your main suitcase or backpack must not exceed 15kg. Your hand luggage must not exceed 5kg. Refer to the tour dossier for more information.

**Q. What currency should I take?**

**A.** We recommend you take the local currency and a credit/debit card. If travelling to more than one country it may also be advisable to bring some US dollars to exchange locally. We do not recommend travellers cheques. Please ensure you have sufficient funds to pay for personal expenses such as drinks, snacks, souvenirs and optional extras.



**Q. What does escorted touring mean?**

**A.** Every group tour which has 10 or more passengers travelling will be accompanied by a National Escort throughout your tour. Airport transfers may not be escorted. In the unlikely event that you are in a group of less than 10 in all other destinations, local guides will accompany you at each location. Our Extension packages are not accompanied by a National Escort; however, you will have the benefit of our knowledgeable local guides. Transfers and flights to and from Extension destinations are not escorted. Private Tours are not accompanied by a National Escort but will be accompanied by knowledgeable local guides in each location.

**Q. What sort of vehicles do you use?**

**A. Air:** Internal flights are based on economy class, with reputable airlines.

**Road:** Coaches with air-conditioning are used on our group tours for city sightseeing, short excursions to the countryside and longer transfers where necessary. On our private tours, we use air-conditioned vehicles suitable for the size of the party.

**Rail:** Bullet trains and high-speed trains are used on some tours in China and Japan. There is limited space to store luggage, but alternative options are available, such as a luggage transfer service (at your own expense on private tours). While our guides may be there to assist, you will need to load and unload your own luggage on and off the trains. Where there is an overnight journey we use the best available soft sleeper trains. Each compartment is shared by four people (not necessarily Wendy Wu Tours passengers). There is a western-style toilet at one end of the carriage and an Asian style toilet at the other end. The beds and cabins are basic with clean linen provided and there are neither showers nor a dining car. Other trains are used on some tours for shorter or day-time journeys and our groups will travel in air-conditioned standard carriages. All the trains are generally clean; however, you cannot expect western standards.

**Water:** Ships or boats are used on tours which have a cruising element. To undertake these excursions, you will need to be capable of boarding and disembarking from these boats, sometimes without assistance and/or handrails.

**Public Transport:** In some big cities, it may be necessary to make use of the public transport systems during your sightseeing excursions. As well as being quicker and more convenient, it gives you a far more local experience. Escorted travel on public transport is mainly used on Private Tours and Extensions.

**Q. Is there a dress code on your tours?**

**A.** Our dress code is very relaxed; however, please note that clothing covering the arms and legs is more appropriate when visiting religious buildings.

## WHILE ON TOUR



### Health & Safety

The enjoyment of your holiday is our highest priority. Wendy Wu Tours is a fully insured and bonded tour operator with comprehensive public liability cover. Working closely with an independent health and safety organisation, we are proactive in our approach by ensuring that hotels used on our group tours regularly undergo comprehensive fire safety, security and hygiene audits. In the unlikely event of a problem or emergency on tour, Wendy Wu Tours has a Crisis Management process in place to support all of our customers. We also have a dedicated 24-hour emergency support number.



#### Q. Are there any optional excursions?

**A.** From time to time your National Escort or Local Guide may suggest optional sightseeing or evening shows in addition to the standard sightseeing planned, depending on local conditions. Such options are at an additional cost, with prices usually ranging from \$15 to \$55 per person. This is paid in cash to the guide on the day of the optional excursion – just ask your guide if you need to visit a cash machine before touring for that day commences.

#### Q. Are there shopping opportunities on your tours?

**A.** Our tours have an array of shopping opportunities for those who love to seek out a bargain. We encourage all passengers to enjoy their local shopping expeditions but to take care and be wise when purchasing.

#### Q. Can special requests be arranged?

**A.** If you have any special requests such as dietary requirements, or if you wish to celebrate an event, please notify us at the time of booking and we will do everything possible to ensure your requests are met. Please note that special requests cannot be guaranteed.

#### Q. Do you allow children on your tours?

**A.** We allow children 12 years and over on our group tours. Alternatively, our Private Tours (see our website) offer greater flexibility whilst on tour and are suitable for any age group.

#### Q. What is the average age on your group tours?

**A.** The average age range is 40-65. Younger and older passengers travel with us too.



#### Q. Will I be travelling with passengers from other countries?

**A.** Our groups are generally made up of travellers from the UK, Australia and New Zealand. Occasionally we are joined by English speaking passengers from other countries.

#### Q. What hours of the day do your tours operate?

**A.** They generally start about 8am and end shortly after your evening meal. Occasionally earlier starts are required to meet flight departures or to visit sights at the best time of day.

#### Q. How does the tipping system work on your tours?

**A.** Tipping is expected, however, this can often lead to awkwardness in knowing when it is appropriate to tip and how much, as well as ensuring you have a suitable amount of change available at the time. For your convenience, and based on many years of experience, on these tours we operate a kitty system on group tours, so your National Escort will look after this aspect of your trip for you. It also

ensures that the amounts paid are reasonable for you but still fair for the local people. The amount is stated on each group tour page (and will be advised again in your final documents). Any additional tipping on any of our tours is welcomed at your discretion. Please feel free to tip restaurant staff, porters, or river guides if they performed a special service for you. For tours with fewer than 10 passengers, tipping will be slightly higher than stated on the group tour pages.

On Private tours and Extensions, we will advise recommended amounts, which will differ from destination to destination.

**Japan:** Tipping is not traditionally part of Japanese culture, but is becoming increasingly commonplace. If you would like to show your appreciation, you can do so in the local currency at the end of your tour.

#### Q. Are meals included?

**A.** All meals (excluding beverages) are included in our Classic group tours except where stated. Please note that in remote areas, meals may be simple and choices limited. Meals included in Private Tours are stated in the itinerary and include several free evenings, offering flexibility for those who wish to explore local restaurants. If you book a fully inclusive Classic Tour your first meal will be dinner on the day of arrival and will end with breakfast on the normal day of departure. Any additional meals will be at your own expense and no refund will be made for any meals missed. You will sample a range of local cuisine with occasional western meals, and meals are usually taken at local restaurants.





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**PACKAGE HOLIDAYS:  
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Your holiday contract is with Discover the World Ltd as re-sellers for Wendy Wu Tours in USA and not with Wendy Wu Tours. The terms and conditions of your holiday will be as agreed with Discover the World Ltd.

Wendy Wu Tours standard Terms & Conditions will however apply to that part of the holiday supplied by Wendy Wu. Your attention is accordingly drawn to the Wendy Wu Tours online Booking Conditions at

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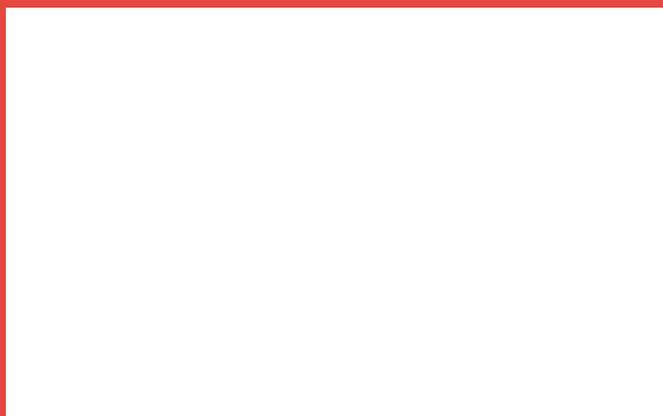
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