



# Magnificent China Tour

**13 days visiting Beijing, Xian, Guilin, Shanghai** (BXGS13-10)

**Day 1 (Fri). Canada- Beijing**

**Day 2 (Sat). Arrive in Beijing.** Meet and transfer to the hotel upon arrival.

**HOTEL: CHANG AN GRAND HOTEL BEIJING** or similar

**Day 3 (Sun) Beijing (B.L.D)**

Tours to Tiananmen Square and the largest Imperial Palace in the world -the Forbidden City, then we approach to the largest Imperial garden, the elegant Summer Palace including cruise on the shimmering waters of Kunming Lake. After that we visit the Pandas Garden in Beijing Zoo.

**Day 4 (Mon) Beijing (B.L.D)**

Visit "Beijing 2008 Olympic Center" -the Bird's Nest & Water Cube –where hosts to many spectacular events. We stroll around outside for photography, and then we continue to the Great Wall Badaling and walking along its ramparts for breathtaking view of the largest man power project in ancient. After that we approach to the mountain valley of the best geomancy site -the Ming Dynasty's Imperial Tomb including visit the Sacred Stature Road. If time's available we visit a Jade Carving Factory and observe the skilled artisans at work as they create intricate designs. In the evening we enjoy a cultural performance.

**Day 5 (Tue) Beijing (B.L.SD)**

Visit the Temple of Heaven, we may have a chance to watch local people doing Taiji and morning exercises there. Then we visit Beijing City Planning and watch a 3D film which tells the glory history and fast changes of Beijing, many visiting presidents paid a visit while they had a limited time in Beijing. Afternoon we take the old-fashioned Peda cab to the historical sites behind main streets -Hutong Tour. We visit Pearl Workshop if time's available. Tonight we enjoy a famous Peking Duck Dinner.

**Day 6 (Wed) Beijing/Xi'an by air (B, L.D)**

We take late morning flight from Beijing to Xi'an-the ancient capital over 1100 years and check in hotel.

**HOTEL: AURUM INTERNATIONAL** or similar (superior)

Visit Big Wild Goose Pagoda & Provincial Museum. The Big Wide Goose Pagoda Temple was regarded as the landmark of Xi'an, the temple was built and a larger team of scholars were organized here for translation of the Buddhism Scriptures into Chinese and it became a holy place for pilgrimages. The provincial Museum shows us Chinese archaeology's excavation at Xian area and has numerous collections and treasures on display.

**Day 7 (Thu) Xi'an (B. L. SD)**

Full day excursion tour to the famous site of Qin Terra-cotta Warriors & Bronze Chariots, and watch the archaeologists continuing on the fields for further excavation. Then we watch the Circle Vision Movie of the historical story. Afternoon on the route back to the city, we visit the Ceramics & Pottery Center. Tonight enjoy Dumpling Dinner & Tang Dynasty Musical Show.

**Day 8 (Fri) Xi'an/Guilin by air (B, L)**

Leisure & fly to Guilin. Transfer to hotel.

**HOTEL: PARK HOTEL GUILIN or similar (superior)**

None of any other scenery in the world could be ranked in parallel with Guilin for the magnificent natural landscape. The serene mountains and strangely shaped peaks & shimmering waters inspired the visitors for centuries. Many ethnic minorities represented here enrich the cultural life, thus adding truly unique features to Guilin's already beautiful sceneries, and rewarding it as UNESCO site. Afternoon we visit the Reed Flute Cave, a tour to the underground crystal palace. Then we take the comfortable visit to the Piling Silk Hill to discover the old small temples and grottoes and experience the bird's view of the beautiful landscape.

**Day 9 (Sat) Guilin (B, L, D)**

We start our cruise this morning on deluxe upper deck of an air-conditioned boat along Li River for a 60 miles distance that reveals the haunting beauty of the mist-wrapped peaks amidst ethnic villages. It brings you a real journey of the natural painting gallery appreciation. After disembarkation and strolling a while in Yangshuo, we return to the city by vehicles and visit an art gallery. We may take a free walk along the Old Rocky Lake, Banyan Lake, Cedarn Lake in front of our hotel, there are many historical sites including the garden of Solitary Beauty Peak and Elephant Trunk Hill for our own exploration.

**Day 10 (Sun) Guilin / Shanghai by air (B, L)**

Leisure and fly to Shanghai. Transfer to the hotel **Shanghai Galaxy Hotel** (superior) Afternoon the city tours to colonial European past at the Bund-the window of Shanghai history and modern fast changes, then we visit Xintiandi, a very well-known boutique area of fashion and tradition, fan & elegant. It shows another delight face of Shanghai. In the later afternoon or at night, the small pubs, bars and restaurants in western family style deeply hide inside the narrow lanes, creates a good feeling of Salvador to artists and rich young people.

**Day 11 (Mon) Shanghai (B, L, D)**

This morning we visit the Old Downtown and classical Yu Garden. The Old Downtown has many narrow zigzag lanes, small squares, fish ponds and pavilions and it collects many favourite local bars, restaurants, tea houses and souvenir shops. Yu Garden (UNESCO Site) was built 400 years ago. It is a famous ancient private garden with architectures of Ming and Qing dynasties. Owing to its ingenious design, zigzag layout by pavilions, chambers and towers, opera stage, elegant rocks and bridges on the mirroring lakes and moats. It became a real museum of Chinese ancient architecture. The vividly brick-carving figures of warlords & warriors, unique animals standing on the roofs of ancient buildings and the huge dragons decorated on the range of walls. Afternoon we visit Shanghai Museum. The attractions include enormous finest stone sculptures, bronze-ware, porcelain, calligraphic works, Chinese paintings and ancient furniture. After the Museum we stroll to the People's Square. The surroundings are the best collections of modern architecture. If time's available we visit the Carpet Factory. Tonight we enjoy the famous Shanghai Acrobatic Show.

**Day 12 (Tue) Shanghai****(B.L)**

Today's highlight is to visit Shanghai World Exhibition (Shanghai EXPO). The Exhibition covers a large area of over 5.6 Square km with 27 master halls. The theme is to show all new creational hopes, concepts, designs, technologies, and present to the world a full potential of urban life in the 21st century as a significant one for urban evolution with new approaches of Human Habitat and Beautiful Lifestyle. (Shanghai EXPO is on May 01 – Oct.31, but on Feb.01-Apr.29, Nov.01-Dec31 are pre & post exhibition also available for visiting). If Shanghai EXPO's unavailable before or after the exhibition, we take an excursion to the ancient water-town Zhujiajiao to see another unchanged face of Shanghai, where EPEC leaders visited while they were in Shanghai. Then we return to the city, Afternoon we visit Jade Buddha Temple and then free for your own exploration.

**Day13 (Wed) Depart Shanghai for exit****(B)**

Leisure and departure transfer to airport for homeward flight.

**TOUR PRICE: \$2,588.00 per person**

High season air surcharge apply to June-Aug and December departure

**Single room supplement surcharge CAD\$738.00**

**Tour package includes:**

1. 11 night's hotel (half-twin) with buffet breakfast at specified hotels or similar class
2. Sightseeing tours with all admissions included, with English speaking guide service.
3. Domestic air ticket in economy class.
4. International air ticket, Vancouver-Beijing and return from Shanghai.

**Tour package excludes:**

1. China Visa fee
2. Tips to guide/driver/hotel porter.
3. Personal expenses
4. International airport tax & fuel surcharge
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