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THE WENDY WU TOURS EXPERIENCE

The philosophy of Wendy Wu Tours is to offer high quality escorted itineraries that represent excellent value for money. Our group tours are fully inclusive ensuring that there are no unexpected costs when travelling with us and our guides are second to none ensuring that your travel experience leaves you with memories you will never forget.

As a specialist tour company with many years experience in China and across Asia, we have carefully selected a number of fascinating itineraries to cater for individual tastes.

Our group tours visit the spectacular and famous tourist attractions as well as the lesser-known charms of some hidden gems providing a diverse mix of history, culture and beautiful scenery. Your China experience can be personalised further with a choice of tour extensions and private touring options.

Wendy Wu Tours strives to provide you with an unforgettable holiday experience that will leave you eager to travel with us again. We take pride in our high level of passenger satisfaction and the large number of customers who book with us through personal recommendation.

We are a friendly and professional team dedicated to ensuring you enjoy your Wendy Wu Tours Experience to the full. We are members of ABTA and AITO and hold an ATOL and IATA licence so you can be confident knowing that your booking is financially safe and secure.

Highlights

From £1,990 – 27 Days fully Inclusive from the UK
Our best value tour to China explores the famous sights of this fascinating land as well as many of its hidden treasures. See historic cities, fabulous landscapes and the famous panda reserve in Chengdu. Also discover the ancient Buddhist sites at Leshan and Dazu as well as the beautiful cities of Suzhou and Hangzhou.

Days 1-2: UK – Shanghai Fly overnight to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East' and transfer to the hotel before our welcome dinner of traditional Shanghai cuisine.

Day 3: Shanghai Sightseeing today includes a stroll through the beautiful Yu Gardens and the Old Town as well as a visit to the Shanghai Museum. We also explore the restored Xintiandi area with its unique 1920's style shikumen buildings.

Day 4: Shanghai – Suzhou Travel by coach to the charming city of Suzhou, also known as the 'Venice of the East'. Visit two of the finest oriental gardens: the Humble Administrator's Garden and the Garden of the Master of the Nets, a local silk mill still in operation today and enjoy a cruise on the ancient Grand Canal.

Days 5-6: Suzhou – Hangzhou Continue by coach to beautiful Hangzhou, one of China's former imperial capitals. Visit the local markets and experience an oriental tea-tasting. The next day, visit the Temple of Inspired Seclusion and the Six Harmonies Pagoda before a relaxing cruise on the tranquil West Lake.

Day 7: Hangzhou – Wuzhen – Shanghai Travel by coach to the ancient canal town of Wuzhen. We enjoy a leisurely stroll to absorb the atmosphere of this centuries old Chinese town, renowned for its old-world charm and picturesque setting. Return to Shanghai.

Days 8-9: Shanghai – Guilin Walk along the famous Bund with its colonial architecture and indulge in some shopping opportunities along Nanjing Road. In the evening, enjoy a cruise on the panoramic Huangpu River. The next day, visit the modern Pudong area before flying to the beautiful city of Guilin.

Days 10-11: Li River Cruise – Yangshuo – Guilin Cruise the stunning Li River and enjoy the breathtaking landscape of beautiful limestone hills, tranquil fishing scenes and picturesque villages. We continue downstream to the town of Yangshuo set in the lush green rice paddies of Southern China. The next day, explore the colourful local markets, walk along the cobblestone streets and soak in the atmosphere of this charming town before returning to Guilin where we visit Mt Diecai for views of the surrounding karst landscape.

Days 12-13: Guilin – Kunming Visit the colourful Reed Flute Caves before flying to Kunming, also known as the 'City of Eternal Spring'. In the evening we sample the famous Across the Bridge Noodles. The next day, explore the picturesque Stone Forest where the huge limestone columns form surreal shapes and images.

Day 14: Kunming – Chongqing Visit the Western Hills which wrap around Dianchi Lake before flying to Chongqing.

Days 15-16: Chongqing – Dazu – Chengdu Enjoy a city tour visiting Erlin Park, the People's Hall and the General Stilwell Museum. Drive to Dazu, home to some of the most fascinating rock carvings in the world - the UNESCO Beishan Frescoes. The next day we visit the Baodin Stone Carvings, before transferring by coach to Chengdu, the capital of Sichuan Province. Enjoy a delicious Sichuan meal in the evening.

Day 17: Leshan day tour Travel to Leshan to visit the remarkable Grand Buddha, the world's largest stone-carved Buddhist statue. We take a short boat trip to view the statue from the river.

Days 18-19: Chengdu – Xian Visit the famous Panda Reserve to see these adorable animals being reared in wooded surroundings reminiscent of their natural habitat. The next day, take a city tour of Chengdu before boarding the

overnight train to Xian.

Days 20-21: Xian Arrive in Xian and visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda. In the evening we will enjoy a traditional Shui Jiao dumpling meal followed by a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing. The next day, visit one of the most important archaeological discoveries of the 20th century – the Terracotta Warriors, followed by a walk along the Ancient City Wall.

Day 22: Xian – Beijing Visit the renowned Shaanxi Museum which is home to thousands of priceless relics. We also stroll through the lively Muslim Quarter to visit the Great Mosque and explore the Islamic food markets before boarding the overnight train to Beijing.

Days 23-24: Beijing Arrive in Beijing in the morning. Sightseeing today includes a stroll through Tiananmen Square, past Chairman Mao's Mausoleum to the treasure-filled Forbidden City, which has the largest and best preserved collection of ancient buildings in China. Our evening meal includes the local delicacy, Peking Duck. The next day, walk on the Great Wall to appreciate the history of China's most iconic attraction and visit the unique Temple of Heaven.

Days 25-26: Beijing Tour the exquisite Summer Palace and enjoy a fascinating Chinese Acrobatic show in the evening. The next day, visit Lama Temple and indulge in some last minute shopping at the bustling markets.

Day 27: Beijing – UK Transfer to Beijing Airport and fly to the UK, arriving home later the same day filled with many happy memories.

Regional flight departures are available – please call for details

**Tour extensions also available Hong Kong from £360pp
 Hong Kong & Macau from £470pp
 Dubai from £260pp**

DEPARTURE DATES & PRICES

Depart UK	Arrive UK	Price
26 Feb 2010	24 Mar 2010	£1,990*
20 Mar	15 Apr	£2,490
03 Apr	29 Apr	£2,990
17 Apr	13 May	£2,790
08 May	03 Jun	£2,790
15 May	10 Jun	£2,790
29 May	24 Jun	£2,790
12 Jun	08 Jul	£2,790
26 Jun	22 Jul	£2,790
17 Jul	12 Aug	£2,790
07 Aug	02 Sep	£2,990
21 Aug	16 Sep	£2,990
04 Sep	30 Sep	£2,890
25 Sep	21 Oct	£2,890
09 Oct	04 Nov	£2,790
23 Oct	18 Nov	£2,490
30 Oct	25 Nov	£2,490
13 Nov	09 Dec	£1,990
12 Feb 2011	10 Mar 2011	£2,190
12 Mar	07 Apr	£2,590
02 Apr	28 Apr	£3,090
16 Apr	12 May	£3,090
07 May	02 Jun	£2,890
14 May	09 Jun	£2,890
28 May	23 Jun	£2,890
11 Jun	07 Jul	£2,890

FULLY INCLUSIVE

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Wonders

OF CHINA

From £2,090 – 16 Days Fully Inclusive from the UK Visit all the famous sights of China in just over two weeks. Experience the variety of wonders that China has to offer from the history of the Great Wall and the Terracotta Warriors to modern and cosmopolitan Shanghai. Take in the beauty of Guilin and the dramatic Three Gorges and don't forget the adorable Giant Pandas!

Days 1-2: UK – Beijing Fly overnight to Beijing and transfer to the hotel before our welcome dinner of local cuisine.

Day 3: Beijing Sightseeing today includes a stroll through Tiananmen Square, past Chairman Mao's Mausoleum to the treasure-filled Forbidden City, which has the largest and best preserved collection of ancient buildings in China. We also take a rickshaw ride through the traditional Hutong areas and visit the unique Temple of Our evening meal includes the local delicacy, Peking Duck.

Day 4: Beijing Walk on the magnificent Great Wall to appreciate its historical significance and admire the panoramic views, and tour the exquisite Summer Palace. Enjoy a fascinating Chinese Acrobatic show in the evening.

Day 5: Beijing – Xian Fly to the former ancient capital of Xian and visit the Shaanxi Museum which is home to thousands of priceless relics. In the evening we will enjoy a traditional Shui Jiao dumpling meal followed by a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

Day 6: Xian Visit one of the most important archaeological discoveries of the 20th century – the Terracotta Warriors, followed by a walk along the Ancient City Wall. We also stroll through the lively Muslim Quarter to visit the Great Mosque and explore the Islamic food markets.

Day 7: Xian – Yangtze River Cruise Fly to Wuhan and transfer by coach (approx 4.5 hours) to board our Yangtze River Cruise vessel for the next four nights.

Days 8-10: Yangtze River Cruise Enjoy a tour of the Three Gorges Dam before cruising upstream through some of the most dramatic scenery in the world. Over the next three days, we will take a side-trip to the striking Shennong Stream in a pea-pod boat or visit the Lesser Three Gorges. We also enjoy various shore excursions along the way, including the 'Ghost City' of Fengdu with its captivating temples.

Day 11: Chongqing – Guilin Disembark from our cruise vessel this morning and visit the Panda House at Chongqing Zoo, before flying to the beautiful city of Guilin.

Days 12-13: Li River Cruise – Yangshuo – Guilin Cruise the stunning Li River and enjoy the breathtaking landscape of beautiful limestone hills, tranquil fishing scenes and picturesque villages. We continue downstream to the town of Yangshuo set in the lush green rice paddies of Southern China. The next day, explore the colourful local markets, walk along the cobblestone streets and soak in the atmosphere of this charming town before returning to Guilin to visit the stunning stalagmites and stalactites of the colourful Reed Flute Caves.

Day 14: Guilin – Shanghai Fly to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. Later today, see the superb antiques and fine arts of the Shanghai Museum and wander around neighbouring People's Square. Our dinner this evening will be of traditional Shanghai cuisine.

Day 15: Shanghai Sightseeing today includes a stroll through the beautiful Yu Gardens, the Old Town and a walk along the famous Bund with its colonial architecture. We also visit the modern Pudong area and explore the restored Xintiandi area with its unique 1920's style shikumen buildings. In the evening, enjoy a cruise on the panoramic Huangpu River, where the historic Bund and the future Pudong come face-to-face.

Day 16: Shanghai – UK Transfer to Shanghai Airport and fly to the UK, arriving home later the same day filled with many happy memories.



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Tour extensions also available Hong Kong from £330pp
Hong Kong & Macau from £430pp

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DEPARTURE DATES & PRICES

2010 Departures		Price
07 Mar - 22 Mar		£2,290
14 Mar - 29 Mar		£2,390
21 Mar - 05 Apr		£2,490
28 Mar - 12 Apr	04 Apr - 19 Apr	£2,690
11 Apr - 26 Apr	25 Apr - 10 May	£2,490
05 May - 20 May*	09 May - 24 May	
16 May - 31 May	19 May - 03 Jun*	
23 May - 07 Jun	26 May - 10 Jun*	
06 Jun - 21 Jun	13 Jun - 28 Jun	
27 Jun - 12 Jul	07 Jul - 22 Jul*	
11 Jul - 26 Jul	18 Jul - 02 Aug	
25 Jul - 09 Aug	08 Aug - 23 Aug	£2,690
15 Aug - 30 Aug		
29 Aug - 13 Sep	05 Sep - 20 Sep	£2,590
08 Sep - 23 Sep*	12 Sep - 27 Sep	
15 Sep - 30 Sep*	19 Sep - 04 Oct	
22 Sep - 07 Oct*	26 Sep - 11 Oct	
06 Oct - 21 Oct*	10 Oct - 25 Oct	£2,490
17 Oct - 01 Nov	24 Oct - 08 Nov	
31 Oct - 15 Nov		
07 Nov - 22 Nov		£2,290
14 Nov - 29 Nov		£2,090

If you are interested in 2011 prices we can obtain these for you, just give us a call for further details



From £2,590 – 22 Days Fully Inclusive from the UK
This tour combines many of the great sights of China with a Yangtze River Cruise and picturesque Yunnan Province. Discover the bizarrely eroded limestone pinnacles of the Stone Forest, stroll through the beautiful Old Town of Lijiang and gaze in awe at the dramatic Tiger Leaping Gorge.

Days 1-2: UK – Shanghai Fly overnight to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East' and transfer to the hotel before our welcome dinner of traditional Shanghai cuisine.

Day 3: Shanghai Sightseeing today includes a stroll through the beautiful Yu Gardens and the Old Town as well as a visit to the Shanghai Museum. We also walk along the famous Bund with its colonial architecture and explore the restored Xintiandi area with its unique 1920's style shikumen buildings. In the evening, enjoy a cruise on the panoramic Huangpu River.

Days 4-5: Shanghai – Beijing Fly to Beijing and tour the exquisite Summer Palace. Our evening meal includes the local delicacy, Peking Duck. The next day, walk on the historic Great Wall which stretches over 3,000 miles to the Gobi Desert and then visit the unique Temple of Heaven. Enjoy a fascinating Chinese Acrobatic show in the evening.

Day 6: Beijing Sightseeing today includes a stroll through Tiananmen Square, past Chairman Mao's Mausoleum to the treasure-filled Forbidden City, which has the largest and best preserved collection of ancient buildings in China.

Day 7: Beijing – Xian Indulge in some shopping at the bustling markets before boarding the overnight train to the former ancient capital of Xian.

Days 8-9: Xian Arrive in Xian in the morning. Visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda and the renowned Shaanxi Museum which is home to thousands of priceless relics. We also stroll through the lively Muslim Quarter to visit the Great Mosque and explore the Islamic food markets. In the evening we will enjoy a traditional Shui Jiao dumpling meal followed by a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing. The next day, visit one of the most important archaeological discoveries of the 20th century – the Terracotta Warriors, followed by a walk along the Ancient City Wall.

Day 10: Xian – Yangtze River Cruise Fly to Wuhan and transfer by coach (approx 4.5 hours) to board our Yangtze River Cruise vessel for the next four nights.

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Day 14: Chongqing – Guilin Disembark from our cruise vessel this morning and visit the Panda House at Chongqing Zoo, before flying to the beautiful city of Guilin. Day 15: Li River day tour Cruise the stunning Li River and enjoy the tranquil fishing scenes, picturesque villages and lush green rice paddies. The river is set against a backdrop of beautiful limestone hills that tower above, creating a breathtaking landscape. Return to Guilin later in the day.

Days 16-17: Guilin – Kunming Visit the colourful Reed Flute Caves and Mt Diecai for views of the surrounding karst landscape before flying to Kunming, also known as the 'City of Eternal Spring'. In the evening we sample the famous Across the Bridge Noodles. The next day, explore the picturesque Stone Forest where the huge limestone columns form surreal shapes and images.

Day 18: Kunming – Lijiang Fly to Lijiang, a UNESCO world heritage site and wander through the quaint cobbled streets and along the meandering waterways of the Old Quarter. In the evening, enjoy the acclaimed Naxi Ancient Music Show and admire the traditional and colourful costumes.

Day 19: Tiger Leaping Gorge day tour Visit Tiger Leaping Gorge, one of the most dramatic and deepest gorges in the world and enjoy the truly breathtaking scenery that surrounds it.

Day 20: Lijiang – Kunming Visit the impressive Jade Dragon Snow Mountain, which soars to a height of 5500m, where we will take a chairlift to explore one of the highest meadows and enjoy the amazing scenery. We also visit Black Dragon Pool before flying back to Kunming.

Days 21-22: Kunming – UK Transfer to Kunming Airport and fly overnight to the UK via Hong Kong, arriving home the following day filled with many happy memories.

Regional flight departures are available – please call for details

Tour extensions also available Hong Kong from £260pp
 Hong Kong & Macau from £370pp
 Shanghai Expo £190pp

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19 Jul	09 Aug	£2,990
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06 Sep	27 Sep	£2,990
13 Sep	04 Oct	£2,990
20 Sep	11 Oct	£2,990
27 Sep	18 Oct	£2,990
11 Oct	01 Nov	£2,990
18 Oct	08 Nov	£2,990
15 Nov	06 Dec	£2,590
14 Mar 2011	04 Apr 2011	£2,890
28 Mar	18 Apr	£2,990
11 Apr	02 May	£3,290
25 Apr	16 May	£3,290
02 May	23 May	£3,090
09 May	30 May	£3,090
16 May	06 Jun	£3,090
30 May	20 Jun	£3,090
20 Jun	11 Jul	£3,090

Experience

From £1,390 – 10 Days Fully Inclusive from the UK
This classic itinerary visits the three most famous cities of China: Shanghai, Xian and Beijing. Included are the must-see sights of the Terracotta Warriors, the Forbidden City and the Great Wall and for contrast we also visit the historic canal town of Wuzhen.

Days 1-2: UK – Shanghai Fly overnight to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East' and transfer to the hotel before our welcome dinner of traditional Shanghai cuisine.

Day 3: Wuzhen day tour Travel by coach to the ancient canal town of Wuzhen where we enjoy a leisurely stroll to absorb the atmosphere of this centuries-old Chinese town. Home to an intricate system of canals, old wooden waterside houses, arch stone bridges, narrow cobblestone streets and an abundance of local handicrafts, Wuzhen is renowned for its old-world charm and picturesque setting. We visit the Taoist Temple, which was the former residence of Mao Dun, a master of contemporary Chinese literature and browse through little stores. Return to Shanghai.

Day 4: Shanghai Sightseeing today includes a stroll through the beautiful Yu Gardens and the Old Town as well as a visit to the Shanghai Museum. We also walk along the famous Bund with its colonial architecture and explore the restored Xintiandi area with its unique 1920's style shikumen buildings. Later we indulge in some shopping along Nanjing Road. In the evening, enjoy a cruise on the panoramic Huangpu River, where the historic Bund and the futuristic Pudong come face-to-face.

Day 5: Shanghai – Xian Enjoy the morning at leisure before flying to the former ancient capital of Xian. In the evening we will enjoy a traditional Shui Jiao dumpling meal followed by a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

Day 6: Xian Visit one of the most important archaeological discoveries of the 20th century – the Terracotta Warriors, followed by a walk along the Ancient City Wall.

Day 7: Xian – Beijing Visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda and the renowned Shaanxi Museum which is home to thousands of priceless relics. We also walk through the lively Muslim Quarter to visit the Great Mosque and explore the Islamic food markets. Later, fly to Beijing and visit the unique Temple of Heaven. Our evening meal includes the local delicacy, Peking Duck.

Day 8: Beijing Sightseeing today includes a stroll through Tiananmen Square, past Chairman Mao's Mausoleum to the treasure-filled Forbidden City, the largest and best preserved collection of ancient buildings in China. Enjoy a fascinating Chinese Acrobatic show in the evening.

Day 9: Beijing Walk on the Great Wall to appreciate the history of China's most iconic attraction and then tour the exquisite Summer Palace.

Day 10: Beijing – UK Transfer to Beijing Airport and fly to the UK, arriving home later the same day filled with many happy memories.



Regional flight departures are available – please call for details

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 Hong Kong from £360pp
 Hong Kong & Macau from £470pp
 Shanghai Expo from £190pp
 Dubai from £260pp



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06 Mar - 15 Mar		£1,590
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29 May - 07 Jun	05 Jun - 14 Jun	
12 Jun - 21 Jun	17 Jul - 26 Jul	
07 Aug - 16 Aug	21 Aug - 30 Aug	£1,990
04 Sep - 13 Sep	11 Sep - 20 Sep	£1,890
18 Sep - 27 Sep		
02 Oct - 11 Oct	09 Oct - 18 Oct	£1,790
16 Oct - 25 Oct		
30 Oct - 08 Nov		£1,690
13 Nov - 22 Nov		£1,490
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22 Jan - 31 Jan		£1,490
12 Feb - 21 Feb		£1,590
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30 Apr - 09 May	07 May - 16 May	£1,890
21 May - 30 May	28 May - 06 Jun	
04 Jun - 13 Jun	11 Jun - 20 Jun	

Splendour

From £2,390 – 14 Days Fully Inclusive from the UK
Discover the spectacular beauty of Nine Villages Valley.
Rarely seen by western visitors, this delightful scenery is one of China's real treasures. Combined with the most popular sights of Beijing, Xian and Shanghai this tour really provides the best of both worlds.

Days 1-2: UK – Shanghai Fly overnight to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East' and transfer to the hotel before our welcome dinner of traditional Shanghai cuisine.

Day 3: Shanghai Sightseeing today includes a stroll through the beautiful Yu Gardens and the Old Town as well as a visit to the Shanghai Museum. We also walk along the famous Bund with its colonial architecture. In the evening, enjoy a cruise on the panoramic Huangpu River.

Day 4: Shanghai – Chengdu Fly to Chengdu, the capital of Sichuan Province. The area is renowned for its lush landscapes and cuisine. Enjoy a delicious Sichuan meal in the evening.

Days 5-6: Chengdu – Nine Villages Valley Fly to the breathtaking Nine Villages Valley (Jiuzhaigou), 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 and rich dense forests are dotted with colourful flowers. The entire valley presents a seemingly never-ending display of stunning natural scenery that will inspire any budding photographer. We stay in the area for two nights.

Day 7: Nine Villages Valley – Huanglong – Chengdu Travel by coach to Huanglong, which is renowned for its hundreds of sparkling mineral pools where beautiful colours intertwine and the waters cascade down the mountainside. We have the option to take a cable car or walk past the many waterfalls to visit Huanglong Temple at the head of the valley. Later, fly back to Chengdu.

Day 8: Leshan day tour Travel to Leshan to visit the remarkable Grand Buddha, the world's largest stone-carved Buddhist statue. We take a short boat trip to view the statue from the river. The carving of the Buddha into the side of Lingyun Mountain began in 713AD and was completed in 803AD.

Day 9: Chengdu – Xian Visit the famous Panda Reserve to see these adorable animals being reared in wooded surroundings reminiscent of their natural habitat before flying to the former ancient capital of Xian. In the evening we will enjoy a traditional Shui Jiao dumpling meal followed by a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

Day 10: Xian Visit one of the most important archaeological discoveries of the 20th century – the Terracotta Warriors, followed by a walk along the Ancient City Wall. We also stroll through the lively Muslim Quarter to visit the Great Mosque and explore the Islamic food markets. Visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda and the renowned Shaanxi Museum which is home to thousands of priceless relics before flying to Beijing. Our evening meal includes the local delicacy, Peking Duck.

Day 12: Beijing Sightseeing today includes a stroll through Tiananmen Square, past Chairman Mao's Mausoleum to the treasure-filled Forbidden City, the largest and best preserved collection of ancient buildings in China. We also visit the unique Temple of Heaven.

Day 13: Beijing Walk on the Great Wall which stretches over 3,000 miles to the Gobi Desert and admire the panoramic views, then tour the exquisite Summer Palace. Enjoy a fascinating Chinese Acrobatic show in the evening.

Day 14: Beijing – UK Transfer to Beijing Airport and fly to the UK, arriving home later the same day filled with many happy memories



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Hong Kong & Macau from £470pp
Shanghai Expo from £190pp
Dubai from £260pp



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12 May	25 May	£2,460
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22 Sep	05 Oct	£2,590
06 Oct	19 Oct	£2,590
03 Nov	16 Nov	£2,390
13 Apr 2011	26 Apr 2011	£2,790
11 May	24 May	£2,590
01 Jun	14 Jun	£2,590

Panda

From £1,990 – 14 Days Fully Inclusive from the UK Sichuan Province is the natural habitat of the Giant Panda and we observe these magnificent creatures at the famous reserve in Chengdu. This area has so much to offer from holy Mt Emei to Buddhist Dazu and the beauty of Nine Villages Valley. This is a fabulous tour for the connoisseur or second-time visitor to China.

Days 1-2: UK – Chengdu Fly overnight via Hong Kong to Chengdu, the capital of Sichuan Province and transfer to the hotel. Enjoy a delicious Sichuan meal in the evening.

Day 3: Chengdu – Dazu Travel by coach to the small town of Dazu. In the afternoon, we see some of the most fascinating rock carvings in the world – the Beishan Frescoes, which are a UNESCO world heritage site.

Day 4: Dazu – Chengdu We visit the magnificent Baoding stone carvings, which are a series of Chinese religious sculptures and carvings, depicting and influenced by Buddhist, Confucian and Taoist beliefs. Often compared to other great Buddhist cave sculptures at Dunhuang, Luoyang and Datong; these sculptures date from the Tang Dynasty (9th century) to the Song Dynasty (13th century). The thousands of exquisitely carved and painted figures form a graceful horseshoe round the mountainside. After lunch, we return to Chengdu.

Day 5: Chengdu – Leshan – Mt Emei Travel to Leshan to visit the remarkable Grand Buddha, the world's largest stone-carved Buddhist statue. We take a short boat trip to view the statue from the river. The carving of the Buddha into the side of Lingyun Mountain began in 713AD and was completed in 803AD. We then continue to Mt Emei, one of China's most picturesque mountains.

Day 6: Mt Emei We spend the day exploring the magnificent mountain and mingle with the locals and the many pilgrims that pay homage to this holy site. Mt Emei once had more than 100 monasteries and occupies an area of more than 300 square kilometers. The mountain is known for its steep cliffs, lofty peaks, roaring waterfalls, gurgling springs, towering trees and fragrant flowers.

Day 7: Mt Emei – Chengdu Return to Chengdu and stay overnight.

Day 8: Chengdu – Mianyang Visit the famous Panda Reserve to see these adorable animals being reared in wooded surroundings reminiscent of their natural habitat. We also explore a local bamboo park. Later we visit the Sanxingdui Museum before continuing to Mianyang for an overnight stay.

Days 9-10: Mianyang – Nine Villages Valley Travel by coach to the breathtaking Nine Villages Valley (Jiuzhaigou), 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 and rich dense forests are dotted with colourful flowers. The entire valley presents a seemingly never-ending display of stunning natural scenery that will inspire any budding photographer. We stay in the area for two nights.

Day 11: Nine Villages Valley – Huanglong – Jianguyou Travel by coach to Huanglong, which is renowned for its hundreds of sparkling mineral pools where beautiful colours intertwine and the waters cascade down the mountainside. We have the option to take a cable car or walk past the many waterfalls to visit Huanglong Temple at the head of the valley. After lunch, we continue to the rural town of Jianguyou.

Day 12: Jianguyou – Chengdu Return to Chengdu and stay overnight.

Days 13-14: Chengdu – UK Transfer to Chengdu Airport and fly overnight to the UK via Hong Kong, arriving home the following day filled with many happy memories.

Varying road conditions in Sichuan Province may require an alternative route to be taken to Nine Villages Valley or flights may be used.

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Tour extensions also available Hong Kong from £260pp



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03 Oct	16 Oct	£2,190
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01 May	14 May	£2,290
15 May	28 May	£2,290

From £2,790 – 20 Days fully Inclusive from the UK
Explore the mystical land of Tibet to discover fabulous palaces, holy monasteries and sacred temples. The highlight of this visit to the Roof of the World is the rail journey across the stark and dramatic Qinghai Plateau. We complete our tour with the famous sights of Xian and Beijing.

Days 1-2: UK – Chengdu Fly overnight via Hong Kong to Chengdu, the capital of Sichuan Province and transfer to the hotel. Enjoy a delicious Sichuan meal in the evening.

Day 3: Chengdu Visit the famous Panda Reserve to see these adorable animals being reared in wooded surroundings reminiscent of their natural habitat. We also explore a local bamboo park.

Day 4: Chengdu – Lhasa Fly to Lhasa and transfer to the hotel through the Kyi Chu Valley (approx 1 hour). Spend the rest of the day at leisure to allow for acclimatisation.

Day 5: Lhasa Sightseeing today includes a stroll around the Barkhor circuit where traditional dress, market stalls selling religious trinkets and the sound of chanted prayers create the atmosphere of a medieval carnival. We also visit the 7th century Jokhang Temple, which is the most sacred in Tibet and the Sera Monastery, which has about 600 monks in residence.

Day 6: Lhasa 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. The dominance of the Potala Palace over the Lhasa skyline reflects the Dalai Lama's former position as the centre of the Tibetan faith and politics. We also visit Norbulingka, the former summer palace of the Dalai Lama, containing several palaces and chapels.

Day 7: Lhasa Explore the Drepung and Ganden Monasteries, situated in the hills surrounding Lhasa. Drepung was the residence of the Dalai Lama before it was moved to the Potala Palace and fortunately the monastery was unscathed after the Cultural Revolution. We also visit a local Tibetan Primary School (if time permits). Enjoy a traditional Tibetan dinner and dance performance in the evening.

Day 8: Lhasa – Gyantse Travel by coach to the smaller town of Gyantse and visit the famous Gyantse Kumbum, the largest shrine in Tibet.

Day 9: Gyantse – Shigatse Travel by coach to Shigatse, the second largest city in Tibet and visit the Tashilhunpo Monastery, the traditional residence of the Panchen Lama.

Day 10: Shigatse – Lhasa Return to Lhasa via Yandrok Lake for our final night in Tibet.

Days 11-12: Lhasa – Tibet Railway – Xining Transfer to the railway station for our journey across the Tibetan Plateau. The train is the first to link Tibet with the rest of China and is the highest rail link in the world. Travel through dramatic landscapes as our train crosses the Kunlun and Tangula Mountains. We arrive in Xining the following day and visit the Ta'er Temple.

Day 13: Xining – Xian Visit an Ethnic village before boarding the overnight train to the former ancient capital of Xian.

Days 14-15: Xian Arrive in Xian in the morning and visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda. In the evening we will enjoy a traditional Shui Jiao dumpling meal followed by a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing. The next day, visit one of the most important archaeological discoveries of the 20th century – the Terracotta Warriors, followed by a walk along the Ancient City Wall.

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Day 20: Beijing – UK Transfer to Beijing Airport and fly to the UK, arriving home later the same day filled with many happy memories.

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Days 8-9: Lanzhou Arrive in Lanzhou and transfer to our hotel. Wander through the park by the Yellow River before visiting the Baita (White) Temple, which sits high above the river. In the evening, we sample the local hand-stretched noodles. The next day, transfer by speedboat on picturesque Lioujixia Lake to visit the renowned Bingling Caves where Silk Road travellers have carved their artwork into the cliff face for many centuries.

Days 10-11: Lanzhou – Xiahe Travel by coach through the scenic Jishi Mountain Pass to Xiahe, set in a beautiful valley known as 'Little Tibet'. The next day, visit the mystical Labrang Monastery of the Gelugpa sect, which is home to over 1200 monks. We also tour the rolling pastures of Sangke Grasslands where wild flowers flourish.

Days 12-13: Xiahe – Lanzhou – Jiayuguan. Return to Lanzhou and board the overnight train to Jiayuguan arriving the next day. Visit Jiayu Fortress, set between the snow-capped Red Mountains in the south and the Black Mountains in the north and then walk along the western end of the Great Wall.

Day 14: Jiayuguan – Dunhuang Travel by coach to the beautiful oasis city of Dunhuang, which is located at the edge of the Taklamakan Desert.

Days 15-16: Dunhuang – Turpan Visit the world famous Buddhist murals and sculptures of the Magao Grottoes. The next day, tour Crescent Moon Spring and see the spectacular Singing Sand Dunes, which offer some of the most dramatic scenes found along the Silk Road. Later we board the overnight train to the oasis city of Turpan.

Days 17-18: Turpan Arrive in Turpan in the morning. Visit the ancient ruined city of Jiaohe and admire the Flaming Mountains. The next day, see the Emin Minaret, visit local homes at Grape Valley and marvel at the 2000 year old Karez Irrigation Canals.

Days 19-20: Turpan – Kurla – Kuqa Over the next four days, we travel along the original Silk Route through the Xinjiang Region, viewing ruins and sights largely unvisited by other tourists. We travel to Kurla and visit the ruins of the Iron Fortress. The next day, we tour the ruins of Subashi, arriving in Kuqa where we will visit the remains of the old City Wall.

Days 21-22: Kuqa – Aksu – Kashgar Visit the Kyzil Thousand Buddha Caves before travelling to Aksu. The next day, we arrive in Kashgar, an ancient market town and once the flourishing centre of the Silk Road. This fabled city embraces a rich mix of people and cultures which create a truly central Asian atmosphere.

Days 23-24: Kashgar Sightseeing today includes visits to the Abakh Hoja Tomb and the Id Kah Mosque. We also explore the old alleys that intertwine around Id Kah Square. The next day, explore the world's largest Sunday Bazaar. We also visit the livestock market, where huge crowds of donkey carts, horse carriages, animals and people of many races and cultures gather to haggle and trade. Later we fly to Urumqi.

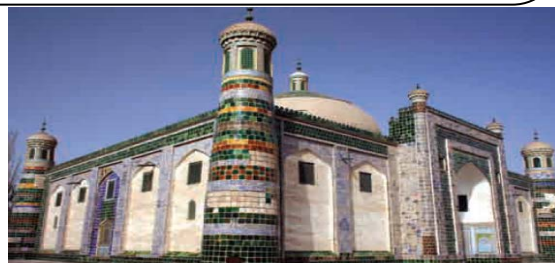
Day 25: Heavenly Lake day tour Travel to Tian Chi (Heavenly Lake) for breathtaking views of the crystal clear water at the top of a stunning mountain range. In the evening we enjoy a traditional meal of Uyghur Lamb Skewers.

Day 26: Urumqi – Beijing Visit the Xinjiang Autonomous Region Museum, home to 1,000 year-old mummies before flying back to Beijing.

Day 27: Beijing – UK Transfer to Beijing Airport and fly to the UK, arriving home later the same day filled with many happy memories.

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Days 7-8: Saigon – Dalat Travel by coach to the cooler climate of the Central Highlands and the beautiful Hill Station of Dalat. It is often referred to as the 'City of Eternal Spring' with its lush green forests and waterfalls. The next day we visit Lat Village before travelling to the Lake of Sighs, where legend tells of a distraught girl who threw herself into the lake when she thought she had lost her love.

Day 9: Dalat – Nha Trang Travel by coach to Nha Trang where we will cruise around the nearby islands. Visit the Tri Nguyen Aquarium at Mieu Island, Tam Island and a fishing village.

Day 10: Nha Trang – Qui Nhon Travel to Qui Nhon visiting Cham PoNagar Tower en-route. These ruins date from the Hindu Kingdom of Champa which ruled from the 2nd to 15th Centuries.

Day 11: Qui Nhon – Hoi An Stop off at Son My to pay homage to the victims of the My Lai massacre before continuing to the UNESCO listed town of Hoi An.

Days 12-13: Hoi An Our walking tour takes us through the narrow streets of the historic centre of Hoi An where we visit one of the oldest homes, which is still occupied by the descendants of the merchants that built it over 200 years ago. Also visit the Japanese Bridge, Hoi An market and a local Chinese Pagoda. This afternoon and the following day are at leisure.

Day 14: Hoi An – Hue Visit Marble Mountains and China Beach before driving over the Hai Van Pass, which provides a spectacular panoramic view of the central coastline. Continue to Hue, the former historic capital of Vietnam during the Nguyen Dynasty and enjoy a cyclo tour to the Imperial Citadel, the centrepiece of the royal empire which was extensively damaged during the Vietnam War. We also enjoy a boat trip on the Perfume River and visit Thien Mu Pagoda. This evening, take part in a cooking class focusing on select local dishes designed for the Royal Courts.

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14 Mar - 31 Mar	21 Mar - 07 Apr	£2,490
28 Mar - 14 Apr	04 Apr - 21 Apr	
11 Apr - 28 Apr	18 Apr - 05 May	£2,290
25 Apr - 12 May		
02 May - 19 May	09 May - 26 May	£1,990
16 May - 02 Jun	23 May - 09 Jun	
06 Jun - 23 Jun		
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21 Nov - 08 Dec	28 Nov - 15 Dec	
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16 Jan - 02 Feb	30 Jan - 16 Feb*	£2,390
06 Feb - 23 Feb*	13 Feb - 02 Mar	
20 Feb - 09 Mar	27 Feb - 16 Mar	
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Days 13-14: Hanoi – Kunming Fly to Kunming in China, also known as the 'City of Eternal Spring'. In the evening we sample the famous Across the Bridge Noodles. The next day, explore the picturesque Stone Forest.

Day 15: Kunming – Guilin Fly to the beautiful city of Guilin. Stroll through the picturesque Seven Star Park to explore the Seven Star Cave and also visit the 'Giant Panda Hotel'.

Days 16-17: Li River Cruise – Yangshuo – Guilin Cruise the stunning Li River and enjoy the breathtaking landscape. Continue downstream to the

town of Yangshuo set in the lush green rice paddies of Southern China. The next day, explore the colourful local markets, walk along the cobblestone streets and soak in the atmosphere of this charming town before returning to Guilin.

Days 18-19: Guilin – Xian Visit the colourful Reed Flute Caves and Mt Diecai for views of the surrounding Karst landscape. Later, fly to the former ancient capital of Xian. In the evening we will enjoy traditional Shui Jiao dumpling meal followed by a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing. The next day, visit one of the most important archaeological discoveries of the 20th Century – the Terracotta Warriors, followed by a walk along the Ancient City Wall.

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Day 24: Beijing – Shanghai Fly to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'.

Days 25-26: Shanghai Sightseeing today includes a stroll through the beautiful Yu Gardens, the Old Town, the Shanghai Museum and the famous Bund. Our dinner this evening will be of traditional Shanghai cuisine. The next day, visit Pudong and explore the restored Xintiandi area. In the evening, enjoy a cruise on the panoramic Huangpu River.

Day 27: Shanghai – UK

Transfer to Shanghai Airport and fly to the UK.

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Days 12-13: Sapa Over the next two days, discover the H'Mong and Dao people and explore the villages, valleys and waterfalls (5-6 hours walking per day). Later board the overnight train to Hanoi.

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Day 19: Luang Prabang – Vang Vieng Drive to Vang Vieng, visiting a local market and the village of Pathang for a cruise along the Nam Song River.

Days 20-21: Vang Vieng – Vientiane Explore the Tham Chang Caves before continuing to Vientiane. Visit That Luang Stupa, the most revered shrine in Laos and Patuxai, resembling the Arc De Triomphe in Paris. Enjoy a traditional Lao dance show this evening. The following day, visit Thongkhanh market, Wat Sisaket, Wat Phra Keo and Buddha Park.

Days 22-23: Vientiane – Phnom Penh Fly to Phnom Penh in Cambodia and visit the Silver Pagoda, the striking Emerald Buddha and the National Museum. The next day, visit the Aspara Association where poor children have been taught to dance, sing and play traditional musical instruments. Also visit

the Killing Fields and Tuol Sleng Museum of Genocidal Crimes; both of which are moving experiences.

Day 24: Phnom Penh – Siem Reap Fly to Siem Reap and visit the Kravan, Sras Srang, Banteay Kdei and East Mebon temples before climbing to the summit of Pre Rup Temple at sunset.

Day 25: Siem Reap Drive to the fortified city of Angkor Thom and continue to The Bayon. Also visit the Elephant Terrace, the Terrace of the Leper King and the magnificent Angkor Wat.

Day 26: Siem Reap Enjoy a cruise on Tonle Sap and visit a floating village (Aug to Feb) or visit Banteay Srei, a Hindu temple dedicated to Shiva (Mar to Jul), before continuing to Ta Keo to see the fabulous Ta Prohm Temple, which has been swallowed by the jungle.

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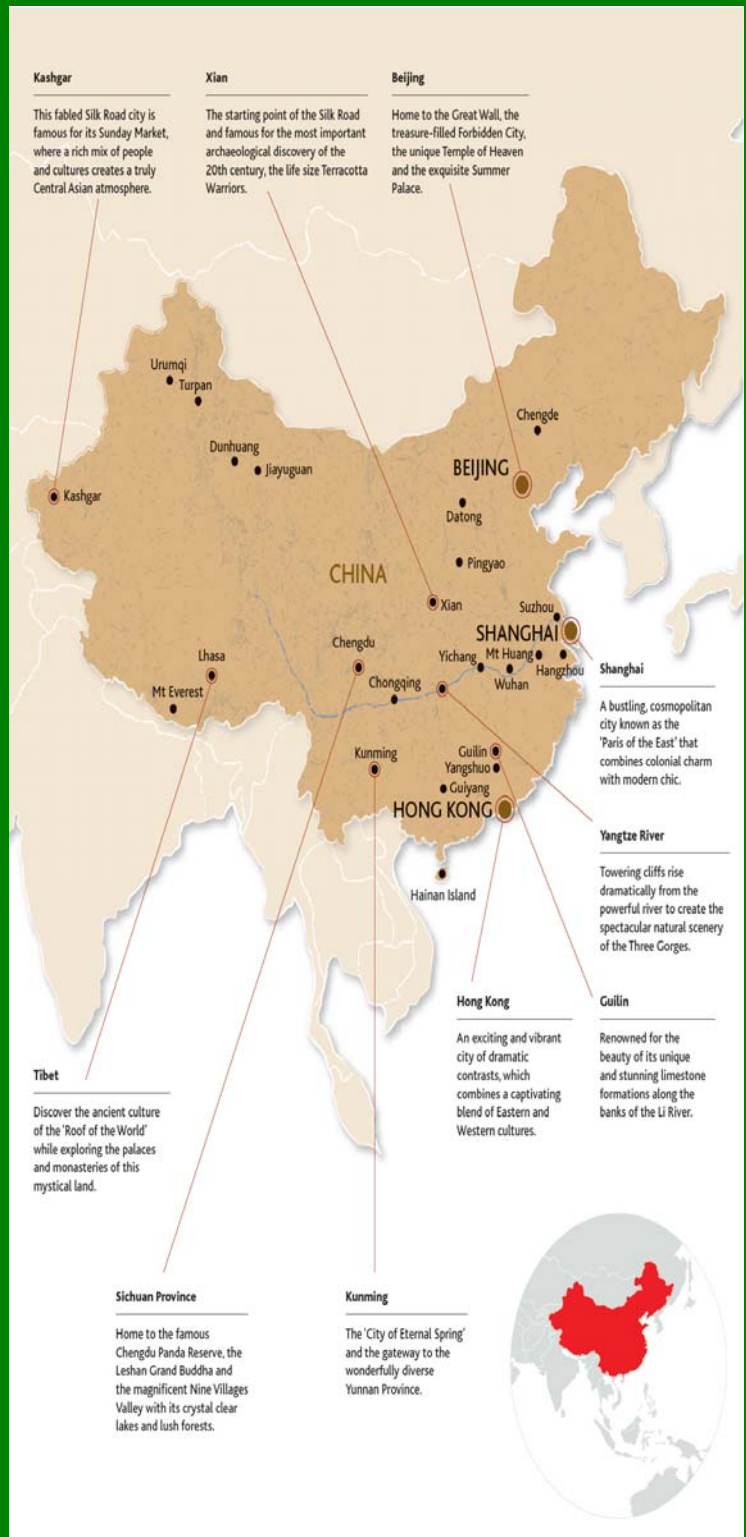
Day 7: Hoi An – Saigon Fly to Saigon, Vietnam's largest and busiest city. Sightseeing today includes a visit to the former Presidential Palace, the War Remnants Museum, the imposing Notre Dame Cathedral and the French-style Post Office. We also visit Cholon (the Chinatown of Saigon), the beautiful Thien Hau Pagoda and Ben Thanh Market for some shopping. The rest of the day is at leisure to further explore the city as you wish.

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Day 9: Mekong Delta day tour Travel by coach to My Tho and enjoy a cruise on the Mekong River to explore the delta, also known as the 'Rice Basket' of Vietnam as it is covered with rice paddies and fruit plantations. Visit floating markets, villages, home industries and plantations before returning to Saigon. Transfer to Saigon Airport and fly overnight to the UK via Hong Kong.

Day 10: UK Arrive home filled with many happy memories.





BOOKING CONDITIONS AND BOOKING FORMS

All prices quoted include return economy flights quoted from London Heathrow – however regional flights can be quoted – please call for details.

Land only options for selected tours are available – please call for details. Tipping locally isn't included in any of the pricing and can range from \$75-\$100 per person.

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