

# *Grand Tour of China & Hong Kong with Yangtze River Cruise*

*4th September 2010 – 30th September 2010 (26 Days / 24 Nights)*

## **Itinerary**

- Day 01:** (Sept 5th) Arrival Beijing (ID-Indian Dinner)  
Arrive in Beijing, the capital city of China. Be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel.  
Free at leisure for the rest of the day.
- Day 02:** (Sept 6th) Beijing (B/ID)  
Depart from your hotel in the morning to visit Tian'anmen Square, the World's largest urban square and the Forbidden City, the largest and most complete ancient imperial palace in the world. Visit the Temple of Heaven & Xiushui Market in the afternoon. Enjoy the Kongfu Show in the evening.
- Day 03:** (Sept 7th) Beijing (B/ID)  
Morning drive 75km to visit the Great Wall (Badaling Section) first and Ming Tombs (Changling Tomb), the once lavish burial chambers of 13 emperors of the Ming Dynasty.
- Day 04:** (Sept 8th) Beijing (B/ID)  
In the morning, take a half-day Hutong Tour by rickshaw to visit the ancient lanes and alleyways of Beijing (Clients would have chance to visit the local resident, the real life of the normal people in China). Then follow the visit to Summer Palace and the Silk Market.  
Stay overnight at Beijing.
- Day 05:** (Sept 9th) Beijing-Chengde by private coach (B/D)  
Transfer to Chengde by private coach to visit Mountain Resort and its Outlying Temples and stay overnight in Chengde.
- Day 06:** (Sept 10th) Chengde-Beijing by private coach (B/ID)  
Visit the Puning Temple and the Putuo Zongsheng Temple in Chengde. Finish the tour in Chengde and transferred back to Beijing by private car.
- Day 07:** (Sept 11th) Beijing-Datong by train (B/D)  
Transfer to the railway station and take train to Datong. Be met at the railway station and transferred to your hotel. Train No. K43 (12.04hrs / 18.16hrs)
- Day 08:** (Sept 12th) Datong (B/D)  
Be picked up at the hotel lobby in the morning, and then depart for Yungang Grottoes (16km) and Hanging Temple (65km). Be transferred back to the hotel.
- Day 09:** (Sept 13th) Datong-Xian by overnight train **(B/Indian L)**  
After breakfast, visit Huayan Monastery and Nine Dragon Wall. Then transfer to the railway station to take train to Xian. Dinner and breakfast next morning on your own as food on the train is not clean. Train No. 2671 (16.40hrs / 09.05hrs + 1 )

**Day 10:** (Sept 14th) Xian (ID)

Ample time will be provided for visits to the Qin Terracotta Army, one of the world's most important archaeological finds with troops, horses and carriages in battle formation, and then to see the Big Wild Goose Pagoda, and the massive City Wall. Tang Dynasty Show is served as the night entertainment.

**Day 11:** (Sept 15th) Xi'an – Yichang by air **(B/Indian L)**

Finish up Xi'an tour by visiting Cave Dwelling (real life in the countryside near Xian). Then be transferred to airport for your flight to Yichang in the afternoon. Be met and transferred to board on Yangtze River Cruise.

**Day 12-14:** (Sept 16th – Sept 18th) Yangtze River Cruise (B/L/ D)

Enjoy your Yangtze River Cruise on board

**Day 15:** (Sept 19th) Chongqing-Chengdu by train (B/ID)

Arrive Chongqing at around 08:30am. Disembark it and transferred to the railway station, take train from Chongqing to Chengdu. Be met and transferred to your hotel. Upon arrival, visit Thatched Cottage of Dufu, Wuhouci Temple and Jinli Old Street.

**Day 16:** (Sept 20th) Chengdu-Guilin by air (B/D)

Drive to Giant Panda Reserve Centre and spend half day there. Transfer to the airport and take flight to Guilin. Be met and transferred to your hotel. Flight No. CA4323 (19.20hrs / 20.50hrs)

**Day 17:** (Sept 21) Guilin-Yangshuo by boat (B/D)

In the morning you will be driven to the Pier for the Li River Cruise (about 4 hours, with lunch served on board). Savour the fairy-tale scenery while cruising down the meandering river to Yangshuo. Transfer to visit Fenglou Primary School to see how's the real student life in countryside. Enjoy the Impression of Liusanjie show.

**Day 18:** (Sept 22) Yangshuo-Guilin by private coach, Guilin-Shanghai by air (B/ID)

Morning visit Reed Flute Cave, the showcase of distinctly-colored stalactites and stalagmites and Diecai Hill, the symbol of Guilin City. Be transferred to Shanghai in the afternoon by air. Upon arrival, be met and transferred to your hotel. Enjoy the Huangpu River Cruise in the evening. Flight No. MU5322 (13.15hrs / 15.15hrs)

**Day 19:** (Sept 23) Shanghai (B/ID)

A full day of sightseeing starts with Jade Buddha Temple and Yuyuan Garden, a Chinese classic garden in city downtown. Then visit the nearby old street. Continue the trip to Shanghai's new landmark-World Finance Center. Have a walk along the Bund, Shanghai's famed waterfront promenade and Xintiandi. Enjoy the Acrobatic show in the evening.

**Day 20:** (Sept 24th) Shanghai **(B/ID)**

Enjoy the leisure time on own arrangement in Shanghai. **(Coach Service only for Dinner Transfer)**

**Day 21:** (Sept 25th) Shanghai –Hong Kong by air (B/ID)

In the morning, transfer to the airport and take flight to Hong Kong. Be met and transferred to your hotel. In afternoon, visit Victoria Peak, Aberdeen, Repulse Bay and Stanley Market.  
Visit night market with guide service.

**Day 22:** (Sept 26th) Hong Kong (B/ID)

Transfer to Lantau Island and visit Great Buddha. Transfer back to hotel in the afternoon.

**Day 23:** (Sept 27th) Hong Kong-Macau-Hong Kong by ferry (B/ID)

Transfer to Macau Ferry Terminal for departure to Macau. Upon arrival, sightseeing tour begins with A-Ma Temple, Ruins of St. Paul Cathedral, and free time at old town for shopping at Leal Senado Square. Enjoy the panoramic view of Macau City at the Observation Deck of Macau Tower.  
Take return ferry back to Hong Kong.

**Day 24:** (Sept 28th) Hong Kong **(B/ID) (Coach Service only for Dinner Transfer)**

Enjoy the free time in Hong Kong for your own arrangement.

**Day 25:** (Sept 29th) Hong Kong-London by air (B)

Transfer to the airport for your flight to London.

**Day 26:** (Sept 30th)

Arrive early morning at London Airport and board your Coach to Kenton with new friends and sweet memories of your China Holiday.