

16/22 Days

# Panorama of China with Yangtze River & Hong Kong

Ancient Beijing, Xi'an, Scenic Yangtze cruise & Guilin, metropolis Shanghai & HongKong

Trip Code: 16 Days: TP16PC, 22 Days: TP22PC

€ 14 / 20 Nights

Small to Medium Group

@ 30/39 Meals

Airfare included

Escorted Tour

Coach, Flight, Cruise

🛏 4-5 Star Hotel, Cruise

Daily Sightseeing



# WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT

This comprehensive China tour promises an unforgettable exploration of the country's most iconic cities and landmarks.

- ✓ Marvel at the Great wall, a testament to China's architectural prowess.
- ✓ Step back in time to explore the Forbidden City that stands as a beacon of China's regal history.
- ✓ Stand in awe before the grandeur of this historic army Terra Cotta Warriors
- Get up close with China's national treasure, the endearing giant panda.
- ✓ Embark on a luxurious 4 days cruise, immersing yourself in the breathtaking. landscapes along China's majestic Yangtze River.
- Walk along the famous Bund in Shanghai, a mile-long stretch along the
- Huangpu River to capture the western influences of the old days.
- Visit the serene West Lake, where described by Marco Polo as "the most beautiful and magnificent city in the world".
- In the 'East Venice' of Suzhou, revel in the tranquility of these meticulously designed gardens.
- Amazed the breathtaking karst formations of Guilin.
- Cruise the **scenic Li River** as depicted in traditional Chinese paintings.
- Explore the Longsheng Rice Terraces, an engineering marvel of agriculture that dates back centuries.
  - Explore Old Town Central's rich heritage with expert guidance in Hong Kong, from historic streets to revered temples.
- Marvel at Victoria Harbour's breathtaking skyline from **The Peak**.
  - Concluding the trip with a Michelin-starred dim sum tasting.



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# Day 1 North America - Beijing

Fly overnight to Beijing.

#### Day 2 Arrive in Beijing

Upon arrival in Beijing, you will be warmly greeted at the airport by the tour guide and transferred to your hotel. Tonight, enjoy your welcome dinner with the group.

Meals: Dinner

## Day 3 Beijing

Today, visit Tiananmen Square, the second largest public square in the world, and the Forbidden City, it is a historic and magnificent imperial palace complex UNESCO World Heritage Site andone of the largest and best-preserved ancient palace complexes in the world. Then indulge in a delicious lunch to savor the flavors of both tradition and innovation - Peking Roast Duck. This afternoon, you may join the optional Temple of Heaven & Hutong Life tour with meal(US\$89/person). Explore the UNESCOlisted Temple of Heaven before embarking on a renowned Hutong Tour & Local Family Visit. This package offers an authentic experience, including а traditional Zhajiangmian meal. Navigate Beijing's historic alleyways on a rickshaw for a glimpse into the past, followed by a visit to a local family.

#### Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

# Day 4 Beijing

Today's highlight is an excursion to the majestic Great Wall, the most famous image of China, and you can get a chance to climb a portion of this 3,700-mile marvel. Visit one of the largest Jade Exhibitions in Asia en-route before the Great Wall. Then drive pass by modern exteriors of the Bird's Nest and Water Cube that were built for the 2008 Beijing Summer Olympics. Both buildings have become symbols of modern China and are significant landmarks that showcase the country's architectural prowess. Tonight, you can choose to attend an optional large scale dramatic musical, "The Golden Mask Dynasty" (US\$65/person).

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

# Day 5 Beijing

Today continue to the legendary Summer Palace, the resort of the Empress Dowager. Eniov a serene boat ride across the lake. soaking in the breathtaking views, then meander through the expansive palace grounds, capturing the essence of royal leisure. After delving into the world of Chinese herbal medicine, you may immerse yourself in the thrilling world of the Beijing Acrobatic Show (US\$60/person), optional tour that offers a dazzling fusion of extraordinary agility and dramatic flair. Watch in awe as acrobats perform gravity-defying stunts and intricate maneuvers, set against a backdrop of vibrant costumes and pulsating music-a truly electrifying experience!

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

# Day 6 Beijing - Xi'an

Today, embark on the modern high-speed rail bound for Xi'an. Over a period for more than 2000 years, Xi'an was the capital of eleven dynasties. Upon arrival, transfer to hotel and enjoy the unique Shaanxi dinner in local restaurant. Tonight, you may join the optional visit to the Grand Tang Everbright City (US\$69/person). It is a 2,100-meter-long pedestrian mall in Xi'an. The design theme is inspired by Tang Dynasty, You may try on a Tang Dynasty costume, the traditional attire of the Chinese people to immerse yourself in the vibrant nightlife in the Tang Dynasty.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

#### Day 7 Xi'an

Today you will visit the Terra Cotta Warriors and Horses Museum and see the attached life-sized defending army for the first emperor of China, Qin Shi Huang. This site is regarded as "the eighth wonder of the world" and is among the top archaeological excavations of the 20th century. Visit an Art Ceramics Factory before visiting Ancient City Wall. It is the most complete ancient military defense systems in the world. This evening, enjoy the "special local Imperial Dumpling Banquet Dinner and the traditional Tang Dynasty Singing and Dancing Show" (US\$68/person).

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

#### Day 8 Xi'an - Chongging

Today, take the high-speed train to Chongqing. Upon arrival, transfer to hotel. The rest of the day at leisure. Tonight, you may join the optional Chongqing night cruise (US\$45/person). Prepare to be captivated by the dazzling city lights dancing on the Yangtze River as the cruise departs. Chongqing's skyline dazzles after sunset, offering stunning views of colorful skyscrapers.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

#### Day 9 Chongqing -Embark River Cruise

Today travel to the Panda House to see the adorable giant pandas. Spend time observing these cuddly creatures as they munch on bamboo and play in their habitats. Then make your way to Ci Qi Kou, wander through its narrow lanes lined with traditional architecture and shops selling pottery and handicrafts. In the afternoon. Indulge in the region's cultural richness with expertly brewed Gaiwan tea and local delicacies. Experience the elegant Changhu tea art performance, witnessing the ancient practice's grace and precision. This unique opportunity provides a charming alimpse into Chongaina's timeless tea traditions. Later, transition to the port for an evening of luxury cruising, where you can explore onboard events and activities.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

#### **Day 10 Yangtze River Cruise**

Your highly anticipated grand Yangtze River adventure begins this morning. Embark on a shore excursion to Fengdu Snow Jade Cave, famed for its stunning rock formations and crystal-clear beauty. Explore its cool passages to marvel at natural sculptures, illuminated to enhance their ethereal charm. Expert guides offer insights into its history and formation for an educational and awe-inspiring experience. Then, return to the cruise and enjoy the Captain's Welcome Party, an elegant event where you can mingle with fellow travelers and enjoy a night of entertainment and buffet.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



# **Day 11 Yangtze River Cruise**

After breakfast, enjoy scenic cruising through the majestic Qutang Gorge, renowned for its dramatic cliffs and breathtaking beauty. Later, explore the Lesser Three Gorges aboard smaller riverboats, with an option to enhance your tour for intimate views of the stunning rock formations and lush landscapes of the Little Lesser Three Gorges. Conclude your day with tranquil cruising through the serene and picturesque Wu Gorge, known for its mystical atmosphere and serene beauty.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

# Day 12 Yichang Disembark – Hangzhou

Today disembark from the cruise at Yichang. Visit the massive Three Gorges Dam Project, the world's largest dam. In 1997, the cofferdam was completed and the main structure began. After lunch, transfer to the airport for your flight to Hangzhou. Upon arrival, transfer to hotel. Tonight, you may enjoy an optional performance, "Enduring Memories of Hangzhou" (US\$90/person), a masterpiece created by Zhang Yimou, the director of the 2008 Beijing Summer Olympic Games Opening Ceremony.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

## Day 13 Hangzhou - Suzhou

Hangzhou, described by Marco Polo as "the most beautiful and magnificent city in the world". Today, visit the serene West Lake, the most renowned feature of Hangzhou, famous for its scenic beauty and rich historical sites. Afterward, indulge in an oriental tea-tasting experience at the Dragon Well Tea Plantation before transferring to Suzhou, where dubbed the "Venice of the East" due to its extensive waterways, ponds, and streams. You may take an optional cruise along the Grand Canal to view life along China's golden waterway in its heyday (US\$50/person).

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

## Day 14 Suzhou - Shanghai

Today you will visit Lingering Garden, an UNESCO World Heritage site with four themed sections connected by covered walkways. At its center is a stunning garden surrounding a pond and a yellow stone granite grotto, crafted by renowned artist Zhou Binzhona.

Then, explore the silk factory to discover the intricate process of silk production. Afterward, transfer to Shanghai, the rest of the day at leisure. Tonight you may join the optional "Huangpu River Night Cruise" and get a glimpse of the dazzling and charming night view of Shanghai (US\$50/person).

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

## Day 15 Shanghai

Shanghai is the vibrant and commercial Centre of China. This morning you will walk along the famous Bund, a mile-long stretch along the Huangpu River. Lined by the colonial architectures showing the Western influences of the old days. Then we will visit Shanghai Museum and the City God Temple area, surrounded by a network of local snack vendors, pearl shops and souvenir shops that make for a colorful walk.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

# Day 16 Shanghai - North America

Today transfer to the airport for your return flight to North America.

Meals: Breakfast

#### For 22 Days Tour:

#### Day 16 Shanghai - Guilin

Today transfer to the airport for your flight to the magical Guilin, renowned for its breathtaking landscapes, is a gem in southern China. Surrounded by dramatic karst mountains and picturesque rivers, Guilin's beauty has inspired poets and artists for centuries. Upon arrival, visit the Elephant Trunk Hill and the Reed Flute Caves where you'll be impressed by the fantastic Karst limestone formations.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

#### Day 17 Guilin - Yangshuo

Today take a boat cruise trip from Guilin along the Li River for one of the finest excursions on your tour of China. The journey downstream to Yangshuo offers breathtaking scenery. You may have an opportunity to catch the fascinating sights of fisherman with cormorant birds while on board. Arrive in Yangshuo in the afternoon. Free time after getting to West Street, the oldest street in Yangshuo surrounded by an array of traditional folks and amazing international elements.

This afternoon, you may join the optional "Bamboo rafting adventure & local family visit" (US\$75/person), enjoy bamboo rafting on the Yulong River, surrounded by lush greenery and towering karst mountains, capturing the essence of the region's natural beauty. Visit a local village and engage in meaningful conversations with a friendly family to learn about their daily life and traditions. Tonight, you may enjoy an optional live performance on the Li River "The Impression Sanjie Liu" (US\$68/person) This performance expresses the beautiful scenery of the Li River, the colorful culture of the ethnic groups in Guanaxi.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

# Day 18 Yangshuo - Guilin

Today return to Guilin, en-route, Explore the Longsheng Rice Terraces, a testament to rural China's beauty and human ingenuity. Carved into lush hills, they reflect sunlight like mirrors in the rainy season and turn golden in autumn for harvest. Then return to Guilin.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

#### Day 19 Guilin - Hong Kong

Today, take the high-speed-rail to Hong Kong. Upon arrival, transfer to hotel, enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. You may spend the evening exploring the bustling streets, world-class shopping districts, and iconic landmarks. Immerse yourself in the vibrant culture, savor local delicacies, and perhaps take a leisurely stroll along the waterfront promenade.

Meals: Breakfast

#### Day 20 Hong Kong

This morning, meet the tour guide at the appointed meeting point, embark on a captivating half-day tour of Hong Kong's highlights. Take the Peak Tram, one of the world's oldest and most famous funicular railwavs. eniov the breathtakina panoramic view of Victoria Harbour from Lion's Point View Pavilion. Begin your Old Town Central exploration with stroll along Pottinger Street, affectionately dubbed Stone Slabs Street, a testament to the district's rich heritage. including Tai Kwun, the Central Police Compound. To feel the serene ambiance of Man Mo Temple, venerating the Gods of Literature and War for over a century and a half. Conclude your day with a culinary delight-a dim sum tasting at the acclaimed Michelin-starred Tim Ho Wan.

Meals: Breakfast

### Day 21 Hong Kong

Enjoy your free time today, or join the optional "foodie tour" (US\$109/person, transfer not included), enjoy a culinary journey through one of Hong Kong's most vibrant neighborhoods. Led by knowledgeable local guides, explore the old districts of Central and Sheung Wan, sampling some of the city's favorite foods and drinks along the way. Visiting six family-run tasting spots carefully chosen to showcase the best of Hong Kong cuisine. Discover the secrets behind each selected tasting as you include in this flavorful journey. All food and drink tastings are included in package.

**Meals:** Breakfast

# Day 22 Hong Kong - North America

Today transfer to the airport for your return flight.

Meals: Breakfast

# **Optional Tours**

Beijing "Temple of Heaven & Hutong Life tour" with meal	US\$89/p
Beijing "The Golden Mask Dynasty"	US\$65/p
Beijing "Acrobatic Show"	US\$60/p
Xi'an "Grand Tang Everbright City"	US\$69/p
Xi'an "Dumpling Banquet & Tang Dynasty Singing and Dancing Show"	US\$68/p
Chongqing Night Cruise	US\$45/p
Hangzhou "Enduring Memories of Hangzhou"	US\$90/p
Suzhou Grand Canal Cruise	US\$50/p
Shanghai Huangpu River Night Cruise	US\$50/p
Guilin "Bamboo rafting adventure & local family visit"	US\$75/p
Guilin "The Impression Sanjie Liu"	US\$68/p
Hong Kong Half Day "Foodie Tour" with meal	US\$109/p

Ship Overview

#### **CHINA GODDESS 3**

Rating:

Length: 492 ft, Beam: 76 ft

Tonnage: 16,000 GT

Capacity: 650, Deck

Cabin Floor: 2-6 Floor



#### STANDARD BALCONY CABIN

Including a bedroom with two single beds, ensuite bathroom with shower, and a 180° river-view private bacloncy.

# Day 9-12 Yangtze Cruise VIP Pacakge

**US\$199/person** (Value US\$499)



- Free Upgrade to Higher Floor (3-6/F)
- Enjoy all meals at VIP restaurant
- One glass of Wine, unlimited beer and soft drink for lunch and dinner.
- Welcome fruit plate in cabin
- VIP area reserved for evening entertainments

#### FREE Upgrade to 5 Star Hotels or similar $\bigstar \bigstar \bigstar \bigstar$





Wyndham HangZhou East



Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel Chongaina



Radisson Hotel Yangtze Shanghai



DoubleTree by Hilton Suzhou Wujiana



CIAO Hotel Guilin



#### 2025 Departures

26-Mar	16-Apr	07-May	21-May	10-Sep	08-Oct
22-Oct	05-Nov	12-Nov	/	/	/

#### **Price Notes**

- Single room supplement fee: 16 Days: \$1,399/person, 22 Days: \$1,899/person
- Add on airfare from other cities: Toronto from \$600; Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec city, Halifax, St.John from \$700; Calgary, Edmonton, Saskatoon, Regina, Winnipeg, Victoria from \$500
- · Tour prices are subject to change without prior notice.

#### **Package Includes**

- International Airfare from Vancouver in economy class (Add-on airfare for Toronto departure from \$600/person)
- Airport taxes
- High-speed train: Beijing to Xi-an; Xi-an to Chongging; Guilin to Hong Kong(22 Days)
- Domestic Flight: Yichang to Hangzhou Shanghai to Guilin(22 Days)
- 4-5 Star Deluxe hotel accommodations
- 3 nights 5 star Yangtze River Cruise in outside cabin with balcony
- Entrance fees to scenic attractions as indicated
- Services of English-speaking tour guides
- Sightseeing per itinerary in modern airconditioned motor coach
- All transportation in the destination
- Meals as indicated in the program

#### **Package Does Not Include**

- China Visa fees
- Insurance of any kind
- Prepaid Gratuities: 16-day: US\$210/p 22-day: US\$280/p
- Personal expenditure such as laundry service, souvenirs and telephone calls

Ship Overview

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Rating:

Maiden Voyage: May, 2021

Length: 492 ft, Beam: 76 ft

Tonnage: 16,000 GT

Capacity: 650, Deck: 7 Cabin Size: 258 sq ft

Cabin Floor: 2-6 Floor



The China Goddess 3 Cruise ship embarked on its inaugural journey in May 2021, marking the latest addition to the esteemed China Goddess fleet. This state-of-the-art vessel stands as a pinnacle of luxury and grandeur on the Yangtze River, boasting both size and opulence.

The interior design reflects a fusion of modernity and Chinese elegance, creating a truly immersive experience for guests. There are many intelligent devices in suites to ensure you cruise in a comfort, such as automatic curtains, intelligent lighting, and smart toilet etc. What's more, she is the first of the three vessels to set small tables in the dining rooms, and also the first to bring Game Room to a Yangtze River cruise ship.



#### STANDARD BALCONY CABIN

Cabin Size: 24 sq m / 258 sq ft Bed Size: 1m x 2m x 2 / 39'' x 79'' x 2

Including a bedroom with two single beds, ensuite bathroom with shower, and a 180° river-view private bacloncy.





Lobby

Dining Room







**Exploring Lounge** 



Observation Deck





# OPTIONAL TOURS



#### **BEIJING "HUTONG LIFE TOUR WITH DINNER"**

Visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site, which was visited by the Emperors of the Ming and Qing dynasties for annual ceremonies of prayer to Heaven for good harvest. And take a famous rickshaw Hutong, the traditional alley ways that made up Beijing's old city layout, immersive yourself to get a wonderful glimpse into old Beijing.

US\$89 per person





#### **BEIJING "THE GOLDEN MASK DYNASTY"**

Set in the Golden Mask Dynasty, a legendary age in China, the story tells how a queen, who wears a golden mask, and creates a splendid dynasty. The play has eight chapters and included more than 200 actors from China and abroad.

US\$65 per person





#### **BEIJING "ACROBATIC SHOW"**

Adazzling fusion of extraordinary agility and dramatic flair. Watch in awe as acrobats perform gravity-defying stunts and intricate maneuvers, set against a backdrop of vibrant costumes and pulsating music—a truly electrifying experience!

US\$60 per person





#### XI'AN "GRAND TANG EVERBRIGHT CITY"

It is a 2,100-meter-long pedestrian mall in Xi'an. The design theme is inspired by Tang Dynasty, You may try on a Tang Dynasty costume, the traditional attire of the Chinese people to immerse yourself in the vibrant nightlife in the Tang Dynasty.

US\$69 per person





#### XI'AN "DUMPLING BANQUET & TANG DYNASTY SINGING AND DANCING SHOW"

Experience the Xi'an Dumpling Banquet Dinner, where dumpling-making takes center stage. Enjoy a variety of flavorful dumplings while immersed in the vibrant Tang Dynasty Singing and Dancing Show.

US\$68 per person





# **CHONGQING NIGHT CRUISE**

Chongging's skyline comes alive after dark, and you'll be treated to breathtaking views of the city's modern architecture and iconic landmarks illuminated in various colors.

US\$45 per person



# OPTIONAL TOURS



### HANGZHOU "ENDURING MEMORIES OF HANGZHOU"

This unique outdoor performance on West Lake is vivid and incredibly beautiful, blending myths and legends into a sweet thousand-year dream. The special concealable auditorium ensures every seat offers a perfect view, and the state-ofthe-art sound system provides exceptional musical enjoyment.

US\$90 per person





# **SUZHOU GRAND CANAL CRUISE**

The man-made waterway was started in 486 B.C., with most major construction taking place a millennium later, from 605 to 610. Along the canal lie a score of cities and towns, big and small. Cruise along the Grand Canal to view life along China's golden waterway in its heyday.

US\$50 per person





#### SHANGHAI HUANGPU RIVER NIGHT CRUISE

Cruising along the Huangpu River, you will take a glimpse of the history and charming night view of the cosmopolitan of Shanghai. On one side of the river with buildings of Western style dating back to the early 19th century. On the other side is the image of a new Shanghai with steel-and-glass.

US\$50 per person





# **GUILIN "BAMBOO RAFTING ADVENTURE & LOCAL FAMILY VISIT"**

enjoy bamboo rafting on the Yulong River, surrounded by lush greenery and towering karst mountains, capturing the essence of the region's natural beauty. Visit a local village and engage in meaningful conversations with a friendly family to learn about their daily life and traditions.

US\$75 per person





#### **GUILIN "THE IMPRESSION SANJIE LIU"**

A unique outdoor performance set against the natural backdrop of the Li River. Blending local myths and legends, it creates a vivid and beautiful spectacle. The special concealable auditorium ensures every seat offers a perfect view, and the state-of-the-art sound system provides exceptional musical enjoyment.

US\$68 per person





#### HONG KONG HALF DAY "FOODIE TOUR" WITH MEAL

Enjoy a culinary journey through one of Hong Kong's most vibrant neighborhoods. Explore the old districts of Central and Sheung Wan, sampling some of the city's favorite foods and drinks along the way. Visiting six family-run tasting spots carefully chosen to showcase the best of Hong Kong cuisine.

US\$109 per person

