

# CLASSIC CHINA

*Beijing to Shanghai*



## TRAVEL HIGHLIGHTS

- *An expert Travel Director and professional Driver*
- *Cherry-picked hotels, all tried and trusted*
- *All portage and restaurant gratuities*
- *All hotel tips, charges and local taxes*
- *Breakfast daily and up to half of your evening meals*
- *Must-see sightseeing*
- *Audio headsets for flexible sightseeing*
- *Luxury air-conditioned coach with Wi-Fi in most countries or alternative transportation (such as rail journeys)*
- *Optional Experiences and free time*
- *On occasion, hotels of similar standard and location may be utilized.*
- *Flights from Beijing to Xi'an and Xi'an to Shanghai*

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 Start Location

 Plane

 Cruise

 Over night

 Visited Location

 End Location

 Train

 Ferry

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## Day 1 | Say Nǐ Hǎo to China



Transfer to your Beijing hotel where you'll meet your Travel Director for a dinner at a local restaurant.

Meals: Dinner

Hotel: Novotel Peace

## Day 2 | Discover the Icons of Beijing



Delve into Beijing's rich imperial heritage, beginning your encounter with the remnants of centuries-old dynasties in the world's largest public space, Tiananmen Square. Tread in the footsteps of emperors, passing through the south gate to the UNESCO-listed Forbidden City, the imperial palace for emperors and their households for over six centuries. Immerse yourself in the ancient rituals, traditions and history of this palace complex before lunch. Continue to the tranquil Temple of Heaven, another UNESCO Heritage Site, once visited by the emperors of the Ming and Qing dynasties to pray for good harvests and divine guidance. This evening, the salty, sweet flavors of succulent Peking Duck take center stage during a Regional Dinner.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Hotel: Novotel Peace

## Day 3 | Journey to the Great Wall



We leave the city behind, bound for the iconic Great Wall of China at Juyongguan. Standing on its ramparts, we look down on the Chinese countryside which its walls successfully defended against marauding nomadic invaders. Watch it snake thousands of miles into the distance as you imagine how these man-made fortifications were built and rebuilt from the 5th century B.C. to the 16th century. Then, walk the Sacred Way past the imposing stone statues that guard the Ming Tombs and remains of 13 emperors of the Ming Dynasty.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Hotel: Novotel Peace

## Day 4 | Explore Beijing



A leisurely start to our morning sees us embark on a rickshaw tour around the ancient narrow alleyways of the courtyard Hutong residences. Connect with the local culture as you join a family for a delicious meal of traditional Chinese cuisine at a Be My Guest lunch, followed by a visit to a tea house, where a Local Specialist prepares and serves tea, explaining the historic tea-making ritual. This afternoon, you'll indulge in a relaxing foot massage at the Foot Reflexology Center.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Hotel: Novotel Peace

### OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

*Legend of Kung Fu Show* - If traditional martial arts, acrobatics, Kung Fu dance and modern theater sounds like

you, then you won't want to miss the Kung Fu artists at The Legend of Kung Fun Show. It's the story of a boy who dreams big about being a Kung Fu master. But it's not just about kicks and flips - it's about him facing his fears as he fights through it all in becoming a total champ. The price shown is in Chinese Yuan Renminbi. Adult: 410.00 CNY

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## Day 5 | Travel to Xi'an



We fly to Xi'an, which reveals its role as the ancient departure point of the Silk Road. Visit the Great Mosque, one of the oldest, largest and best-preserved mosques in China. According to historical records it was built in 742 during the Tang Dynasty and is a combination of Islamic art and traditional Chinese architecture.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Wyndham Grand Xi'an South

### OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

*Tang Dynasty Show with Dinner* - Enjoy a sumptuous Tang Imperial Banquet followed by a wonderful performance

of ancient music and dance which has graced the region for centuries. The show consists of 5 parts filled with vibrant costumes, colorful dances and traditional music. Under the ruling of the Tang Emperors from 618AD to 907AD, China became the most powerful and prosperous country in the world. During this time the economy, politics and military strength reached an unprecedented level which influenced the culture of its neighboring countries. It was during this flourishing and peaceful period that exquisite Tang imperial feasts with music and dance emerged and developed. Step back in time and enjoy the delightful hospitality and performances of the Tang Dynasty. The price shown is in Chinese Yuan Renminbi. Adult: 475.00 CNY

## Day 6 | Uncover Xi'an's Treasures



Start your day at a Gallery, where you'll explore China's artistic legacy. Dive into Culture at a traditional calligraphy class, where you'll try your hand at Chinese writing using a brush and ink, an art form dating back to the Han Dynasty. Step inside ancient cave dwellings on a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience in the Loess Plateau, built from naturally insulating, earthquake-resistant earth, and see firsthand how local families are preserving their heritage while adapting to modern life. History comes to life as you stand before the UNESCO-listed Terracotta Warriors, a silent army guarding China's first emperor for over two millennia.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Hotel: Wyndham Grand Xi'an South

## Day 7 | Onwards to Shanghai



This morning, your choice of activities gives you an opportunity to mimic the graceful movements of a skilled T'ai Chi Local Specialist, or consider joining a cycle tour around part of the ancient City Wall of Xi'an. Later at a local restaurant, you will be watching a demonstration in the art of making dumplings, with an opportunity to sample these for lunch. Savor the juicy flavors of these boiled, steamed and fried treats, transporting you back to ancient China, before transferring to the airport for your flight to Shanghai. Ascend to the 88-storey Jinmao Tower for panoramic views of the skyscrapers that loom over the most populous city on earth.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

**Hotel:** The Kunlun Jing An

## Day 8 | Experience Shanghai



Stroll down Shanghai's famous 'Bund' with your Travel Director, admiring the neoclassical colonial buildings that have lined this city's renowned waterfront since the early 1900s. Learn how this marshland was transformed into one of the world's most important trading hubs. Then, continue to the winding streets and vibrant markets of Old Shanghai to discover the how the customs and traditional lifestyle of this area have remained relatively unaltered. Enjoy some free time for lunch and shopping in the Old Town before we Dive into Culture during a visit to a silk museum. This evening, indulge in a performance by the Shanghai Acrobatic Troupe.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Hotel:** The Kunlun Jing An

## Day 9 | Shanghai Your Way



Spend a day exploring the Paris of the East on your terms – shop for delicate Chinese ceramics, or consider joining an Optional Experience to Zhujiajiao, an ancient water town founded more than 1,700 years ago. In its heyday, Zhujiajiao was a bustling market town. Today, old historical buildings such as rice shops, banks, spice stores and even a Qing Dynasty post office can still be found as you stroll down its ancient streets and wander across the many stone bridges that crisscross its canals. This afternoon, you'll have some free time to explore the city or simply relax before joining your travel companions for dinner.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: The Kunlun Jing An

### OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

*Half-Day Zhujiajiao Experience with Lunch* - Get set for a journey to Zhujiajiao, the crown jewel among Shanghai's

four ancient towns. Wander past its traditional houses with old fashioned courtyards, rice shops, spice stores and even a Qing dynasty post office that's been around for over 1,700 years. Hop aboard a paddle boat and glide under its 36 distinct bridges. And don't forget about the food! Zhujiajiao is known for its cuisine—treat yourself to green soy beans, lotus roots, homemade candy and braised pork leg over lunch. It's a flavourful adventure you won't want to miss! Adult: 585.00 CNY

## Day 10 | Farewell Shanghai



Our mystical encounter with China at its end, take a transfer to Shanghai Airport for your onward flight.

Meals: Breakfast

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