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Whether you've had the Terracotta Warriors and Horses on your bucket list for two years or two weeks, nothing will prepare you for the overwhelming sight of the them - the sheer quantity of the statues is breathtaking in itself. Created more than two thousand years ago to accompany Emperor Qin Shi Hung into the afterlife, the eight thousand strong army was unearthed in 1974 and excavation and restoration continues to this day. A UNESCO listed World Heritage site that will likely leave you speechless, and cap off an amazing journey through the highlights of China.

Discover Beijing, Suzhou, Shanghai, Xian and more on this 11 day bucket list journey through China. Visit Tiananmen Square, the vast Forbidden City and see adorable giant pandas at Beijing Zoo. Walk the iconic Great Wall of China and learn about tea one of the most renowned tea villages in the country, the Meijiawu Tea Village. Enjoy a boat ride on the serene West Lake in Hangzhou, witness the beautiful Lingering Garden in Suzhou, and so much more. Then, after days of build up, you'll see the Terracotta Warriors and Horses in Xian to truly complete your China experience. Package includes return international flights, two internal flights, nine nights accommodation, 10 meals and more.

Want to see more? Choose the 12 day package to take in all of the above plus the beautiful city of Wuxi.

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Overnight: Beijing Hotel
Meals included: In-Flight

Day 2 Tiananmen Square and Forbidden City

After breakfast, your exploration of Beijing begins with a visit to Tiananmen Square, one of the largest public squares in the world and then takes in the Imperial Palace in the Forbidden City. The Forbidden City, also known officially as the Imperial Palace Museum, was originally constructed by the third Emperor of the Ming Dynasty, Emperor Yong Le, where 24 emperors once lived in succession. The palace was built between 1406 and 1420, but was burnt down, rebuilt, sacked and renovated countless times, so most of the architecture you can see today dates from the 1700s and onwards. Afterwards, visit a Pearl Factory to gain a little knowledge of fresh pearls.

Tonight, take the opportunity to attend an optional large scale dramatic musical, "The Golden Mask Dynasty" (not included).

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Day 3 Great Wall of China

After breakfast, on the way to the Great Wall, stop at a Jade Museum to learn the history of jade. In Chinese, jade is pronounced as "Yu" and it has a history in China of at least four thousand years. Observe the skilled artisans at work as they create their intricate designs. Afterwards take a scenic drive through the countryside and mountains to reach China's most renowned monument—the Great Wall. You will visit the less-touristy Juyong Pass, avoiding other sections which are the most accessible and consequently most crowded. The Great

Wall meanders through China's northern mountain ranges from the Yellow Sea to the Gobi Desert - a distance of more than 3500 miles.

In the afternoon, take the opportunity to join an optional tour (not included) to see Beijing's 700 year old Hutong's (narrow lanes) area by old fashioned pedicab. You will also visit a local family living in a courtyard style home to experience the local customs including a delicious home-cooked dinner. The optional tour also includes a visit to Shichahai, a historic scenic area consisting of three lakes (Qianhai, meaning Front Sea; Houhai, meaning Back Sea and Xihai, meaning West Sea), surrounding places of historic interest and scenic beauty and remnants of old-style hutong and courtyard local residences.

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Day 4 Beijing Zoo, Beijing – Shanghai – Suzhou

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Overnight: Suzhou Hotel
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Day 5 Suzhou – Hangzhou

Suzhou, which dates back to 514 BC, is sometimes called the 'Venice of the East'. Today visit the famous Lingering Garden, recognised with other classical Suzhou gardens as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. China is renowned for its exquisite silk, so naturally a visit to the Silk Spinning Factory is in order. Take the opportunity to cruise along the Grand Canal (not included) to view life along China's ancient waterway. Afterwards drive to Hangzhou (approx. 2 hours).

Overnight: Hangzhou Hotel
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Day 7 Shanghai

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Overnight: Wuxi Hotel

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 6 Wuxi - Hangzhou

This morning visit Li Lake Park, the habitat of egrets and many rare species of birds. View the picturesque Taihu Lake, the second biggest fresh water lake in China. Then drive to Hangzhou (approx. 3 hours).

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TOUR INCLUSIONS

HIGHLIGHTS

- Tour Beijing, Suzhou, Hangzhou, Shanghai and Xian
- Discover the historic city of Xian
- Marvel at the ancient Terracotta Warriors and Horses, a wonder of the world
- Walk along the iconic Great Wall of China
- Visit Suzhou's Linger Garden and a silk spinning factory
- Visit impressive Tiananmen Square in Beijing
- Explore the UNESCO listed Forbidden City
- See adorable Giant Pandas at Beijing Zoo
- Learn about Longjing Tea at Meijiawu Tea Village, includes tasting
- Enjoy a boat ride on Hangzhou's scenic West Lake
- View Shanghai's incredible skyline from The Bund
- Step back in time at the inspiring Shanghai Museum
- Learn about pearls at a Freshwater Pearl Centre
- Visit a local Jade Museum and see artisans at work
- Learn about traditional Chinese medicine at 'Tongrentang' in Beijing
- Visit the Small Wild Goose Pagoda in Xian, a world heritage site
- Delve into the history of China at Xian Museum

FLIGHTS

- Return international flights (economy class) ex SYD
- 2 internal flights: Beijing to Shanghai and Shanghai to Xian

ACCOMMODATION

- 9 nights in 4-star hotel accommodation

DINING

- Enjoy daily breakfast plus 1 feature lunch

TOUR ESSENTIALS

- English-speaking tour guides
- Airline taxes and surcharges

TRANSPORT

- Transportation by private A/C vehicles

TRANSFERS

- Return airport transfers with meet and assist

12 DAY PACKAGE

All of the above plus the following:

- Enjoy free time in Wuxi
- Witness the picturesque Li Lake Park
- 1 extra night 4 star accommodation
- Enjoy 1 extra meal



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BOOKING INFORMATION

After purchase, you will receive a receipt and a Purchase Confirmation, directing you to an online Passenger Information Form. The Passenger Information Form must be completed within 72 hours of purchase.

In the instance where the passenger information form is not returned within the specified period, the order will be cancelled due to non-compliance with the submission deadline, TripADeal reserves the right to charge a \$200 order offload fee per affected traveller.

Any special requests, preferences and optional extras MUST be clearly stated in your Passenger Information Form. Any change requested after submitting your Passenger Information Form cannot be guaranteed, is strictly subject to availability and will incur surcharges as outlined in the Schedule of Fees below.

On purchasing this Travel Offer you are bound by the General Terms and Conditions, in addition to the specific terms and conditions outlined in this Important Information.

Please note: all additional charges are payable direct to your Travel Consultant in AUD (unless otherwise stated).

OFFER ESSENTIALS

Travel offer is valid for travel on selected dates in 2019.

This travel offer is priced for one person based on twin share.

Single Traveller Supplement

For solo travellers a mandatory single supplement of \$660 applies.

Departure Dates (2019)

Please see TripADeal website for current departure dates.

Departure Cities

Sydney

FLIGHTS

Full Service Airline(s) Used

China Eastern Airlines and code share partners (subject to availability).

Please note: One way flights can not be accommodated. Travellers must take all included flights within the package, and any flights intentionally forfeited will result in later flights being subject to cancellation.

Arrive early

Not available.

Stay behind

Not available.

Stopover Packages

Not available.

Flight Class Upgrades

Not available.

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation Used

11 Day Package

4 Star (self-rated):

- Beijing: Friendship Hotel / Plaza Hotel / Feitian Hotel / Jianguo Hotel Qianmen / North Star Continental Grand Hotel / Ramada Parkside / Gehua New Century / Chang An Grand Hotel / Novotel Sanyuan / Ritan International Hotel / Rosedale Hotel & Suites / Schonbrunn Hotel or similar
- Suzhou: Snowy Sea Hotel / Jincheng Hotel / Vienna International Hotel / Nanya Hotel or similar
- Hangzhou: Pujing Garden Hotel / Yuandong Hotel / Hai Wai Hai Bai Na Hotel or similar
- Shanghai: Holiday Inn Express / Howard Johnson Hong Qiao OR Regal Plaza Hotel & Residence
- Xian: Yulong International Hotel / Grand Nobel Hotel / Holiday Inn or similar

Please note: Accommodation/rooms

offered are based on a lead-in room type, and are subject to availability based on seasonality. Properties will be confirmed, no later than two weeks prior to travel.

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4 Star (self-rated):

- Wuxi: Swiss-Belhotel Liyuan / Mingdu Hotel / Landison Plaza Hotel OR Gloria Grand Hotel

Extra Nights

Not available.

Maximum Room Capacity

3 people (subject to availability).

Child Policy

- No child discounts. Full price applies for all children travelling with their parents.
- Valid for Children 8 years old and over.

Please note: Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors allowed.

Triple Share

No discounts apply for 3rd person travelling. Full price applies, subject to availability.

Please note: Triple shares may be required to share existing bedding.

Bedding Configuration

Double or Twin bedding (subject to availability).

Adjoining / Interconnecting Rooms

Subject to availability and at the hotels discretion. Please enquire on booking if you require this option.

GENERAL TOUR INFORMATION

Minimum group size 20, maximum group size 42 per vehicle.

Optional Tours / Activities

- Beijing: Day 2: The Golden Mask Dynasty 330 RMB (approx. \$66 AUD)
- Beijing: Day 3: Tour 700 year old Hutong with Dinner 300 RMB (approx. \$60 AUD)
- Suzhou: Day 5: Grand Canal Cruise



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- 190 RMB (approx. \$38 AUD)
- Shanghai: Day 6: ERA and The Intersection of Time 380 RMB (approx. \$76 AUD)
- Shanghai: Day 07: Half day city tour 180 RMB (approx. \$35 AUD)
- Shanghai: Day 07: Huangpu River Night Cruise 240 RMB (approx. \$48 AUD)
- Shanghai: Day 08: AZ Plaza and Maglev Train Experience 220 RMB (approx. \$45 AUD)

Please note:

- prices are based on per person, are subject to availability, time permitting and weather conditions, and are payable direct to the tour operator in the currency specified
- Some tours require minimum numbers to operate.

EXCLUSIONS

- Visa fees and requirements (A tourist visa for China is a strict requirement if travelling on an Australian passport).
- Meals/beverages not stated in the itinerary.
- Mandatory gratuities/tipping: \$12 AUD per person/per day where tour or transfer services are provided (this will include day of arrival and departure).
- Optional activities/tours.
- Personal expenses.
- Travel insurance (Mandatory).

Please note: A comprehensive travel Insurance policy must be organised BEFORE all details can be finalised.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

TOUR GUIDE VS. TOUR LEADER

Tour Guide:

Often locals with intimate knowledge of an area, its culture, and history. Their role entails providing commentary, routing the tour, and seeing that people have a good time. They are a licensed, qualified expert who supplies specific information on history, art, architecture and culture

of the city/village/attraction in which he or she is guiding the tour. The guide meets the group at the required place and leaves the group at the end of the tour, they do not travel with the group.

Tour Leader:

An experienced person tasked with ensuring the smooth operation of tours, as well as providing practical support to passengers throughout the whole trip. Their role primarily includes assisting with accommodation, transportation between locations, and communication with tour guides in each stop. A tour leader may provide general guidance around a city or village, and offer information on the place visited on the bus, however they are not required to have specific knowledge on art, architecture, or history. They are not allowed to provide a guided tour or commentary of a city/village/attraction once there and if caught doing so, can be fined.

Please note: Tour leaders/guides are not a standard inclusion in all travel offers. Tour leaders/guides will only be made available when particularly required to enhance the experience of the destination featured.

CLIMATE & AVERAGE TEMPERATURES

Beijing

Beijing has a temperate and continental monsoon climate, with four distinct seasons and big differences in temperature between day and night. The seasons: summer in Beijing is hot and humid, while winter is cold and dry. Spring and autumn are short and cool. The coldest month is January at an average of -4 °C, and the hottest month is July at an average of 26 °C.

Shanghai

Shanghai weather is generally mild and moist, with four distinctive seasons - a pleasant warm spring, a hot rainy summer, a comfortable cool autumn, and an overcast cold winter. The weather of Shanghai in July and August is the hottest, with more than 10 days' high temperatures above 35°C. The coldest period is from late January to early

February. The springtime from March to May is recommended as the best time to pay a visit, while October to November, with pleasant autumn climate, is also a wise choice.

Xi'an

Xian experiences a temperate and continental monsoon climate and so the weather is generally mild and fairly moist and experiences four distinct seasons. There is a rainy season that arrives during the summer months but the high levels of rainfall rarely cause much damage to the city. Temperatures will average around 15°C to 20°C in Spring and heading into Summer.

FLIGHTS

Seat Selection & Frequent Flyer Points:

At TripADeal we do not arrange seat selection. It is important to highlight that some Airlines do not allow pre-selected seats. We strongly suggest you contact the Airline directly with seating allocation requirements and or arrive at the airport earlier to arrange your seating. While we do not add frequent flyer member details to bookings, you can do this directly with the Airline once you have your flight information.

Passport Validity:

Customers are required to provide valid passport details either at the time of purchase, or no later than 45 days prior to departure date. Failure to do so may result in cancellation of the booking. In this instance customers will be responsible for any costs and fees incurred.

COACH TOUR

Meals:

10 meals are included in the tour, for all other meals; lunches and dinners the tour leader (when available) will offer assistance with reservations, suggestions and directions to local restaurants. It is your responsibility to notify TripADeal of any dietary requests/requirements. Please note; we will do our best to meet your requests/requirements, however



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Luggage:

You will be responsible for all your personal belongings whilst on the tour. With regards to luggage, you must carry your own luggage from the coach to the hotel room and back to the coach. The driver will assist with the uploading and off-loading of the luggage from the coach.

OTHER

Fitness Level Required / Mobility:

Our vehicles are not equipped with wheelchair access, so unfortunately our tours are currently not suitable for wheelchair users and those less mobile.

Please note: a general level of fitness will be required. If you have any concerns please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.

Gratuities / Tipping:

Gratuities (tips) are not included in the tour price for services of the tour leader (when available) and driver throughout the tour. The mandatory tip for the tour leader and driver is \$12 AUD per person/ per day where tour or transfer services are provided, which will be collected whilst on tour (this will include day of arrival and departure).

Sightseeing:

Please note: In the event entrance to a site is affected by changes in operating hours or public holiday closures, your itinerary will be adjusted to ensure you do not miss out on the experience.

Shopping:

Shopping overseas can be a daunting and confusing experience, especially when there is a language barrier. Please be very cautious when foreign currencies and prices are involved. If paying by credit card, please pay close attention to the amount you are being charged and keep all of your receipts.

Do not make any purchases you are not comfortable with or feel pressured into. If you are uncertain or need assistance with the language barrier, please seek assistance from your Tour Guide/Leader.

Please refer to our Terms and Conditions in regards to shopping for further information.

VISAS

A tourist visa for China is a strict requirement if travelling on an Australian Passport. You will be able to start your visa application process once you receive your final travel documentation approximately 6 weeks prior to departure.

TripADeal offers a fast, secure and easy service to obtain a Visa for this country - This visa can take approximately 2 weeks to complete.

Important: Please start arranging your visa at least 3 weeks prior to departure to account for any delays due to consulate operating hours.

Please note: Passengers who are not Australian citizens must check with the respective consulate or visa agency to determine what their visa requirements are and what personal identification is required. It is also important to note, some areas of employment such as journalism, government authorities and charity organisations may have additional restrictions in applying for Visas. This may in turn affect the type of application required.

INSURANCE

We are proud to offer a range of travel insurance products - please ask your Travel Consultant for more information.

SCHEDULE OF FEES

Please note: Due to limited availability, passenger name and date changes are strictly prohibited for this offer. This overrides the Schedule of Fees in our standard Terms & Conditions. No refunds will be issued once offer has been purchased.



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