

# Glories of China

**GUARANTEED DEPARTURES**

Discover China's beautiful south on this two-week tour of China

Li River, Guilin

*"We've just returned from a vacation of a lifetime. There were too many highlights to choose from... sparkling lights of Pudong in Shanghai, the Terracotta Warriors in Xian, the Great Wall of China and the Li River cruise. Mr & Mrs Charlton, February 2011"*

**14 days from \$3,490pp Fully Inclusive from the US**

The striking landscape along the Li River is the defining highlight of this popular itinerary. Stay overnight in the small town of Yangshuo surrounded by rice fields and limestone hills in Southern China. Add the histories of Beijing and Xian along with cosmopolitan Shanghai and you have the best that China can offer.



Bund, Shanghai

National Escort Willow Yang's tour highlights



*"Cruising on the Li River is like a beautiful picture with blue sky, green water and steep mountains. It is a place where you can forget all your troubles."*

**Days 1-2: US – Shanghai**

Fly overnight to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'.

**Day 3: Shanghai**

Sightseeing today includes a visit to the Shanghai Museum, which houses over 120,000 pieces of bronze, coins, jade, ceramics, paintings and calligraphy. We also walk along the famous Bund with its colonial architecture. In the evening enjoy traditional Shanghai cuisine.

**Day 4: Shanghai**

Visit the beautiful Yu Gardens, the Old Town and then cross the great Nanpu Bridge to explore the modern Pudong area. We also explore the restored Xintiandi area with its unique 1920's style shikumen buildings. In the evening, enjoy a cruise on the panoramic Huangpu River.

**Day 5: Shanghai – Guilin**

Fly to the beautiful city of Guilin.

**Days 6-7: Guilin – Yangshuo – Guilin**

Cruise the stunning Li River to Yangshuo and enjoy the breathtaking landscape of beautiful limestone hills, tranquil fishing scenes and picturesque villages. The next day, return to Guilin and visit the colorful stalagmites and stalactites of Seven Star Cave and the adjacent park which is home to one adorable panda. We also see an evening display of traditional cormorant fishing.

**Day 8: Guilin – Xian**

Visit Mt Diecai before flying to Xian, the former ancient capital. In the evening, enjoy a traditional Shui Jiao dumpling meal followed by a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

**Day 9: Xian**

Visit one of the most important archaeological discoveries of the 20th century – the Terracotta Warriors. The figures were created 2,000 years ago to accompany Qin Shihuang into the afterlife. We also walk along the Ancient City Wall.

**Day 10: Xian – Beijing**

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 explore the Islamic food markets. Later, fly to Beijing, China's capital city.

**Day 11: Beijing**

Sightseeing today includes a stroll through Tiananmen Square, past Chairman Mao's Mausoleum to the treasure-filled Forbidden City, which is the largest and best preserved collection of ancient buildings in China from the Ming and Qing Dynasties and houses over 8,000 rooms.

**Day 12: Beijing**

Walk on the Great Wall to appreciate 2,000 years of historical significance and admire the panoramic views. The Great Wall is China's

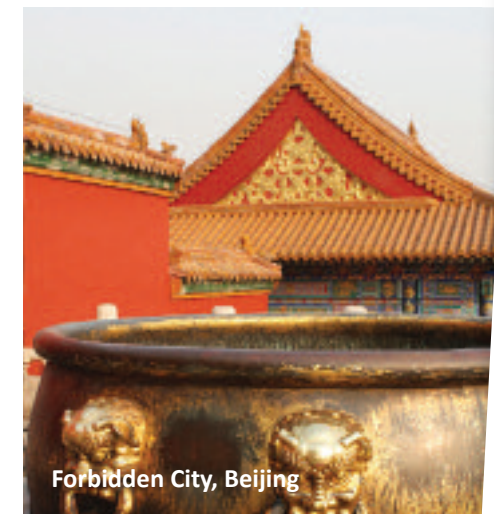
most iconic attraction, which stretches over 4,000 miles from the Shanhaiguan Pass on the east coast to the Gobi Desert in the west. Also visit the unique Temple of Heaven and enjoy a fascinating Chinese Acrobatic show in the evening.

**Day 13: Beijing**

Experience a rickshaw ride through the traditional Hutong areas and tour the exquisite Summer Palace. Our evening meal includes the local delicacy, Peking Duck.

**Day 14: Beijing – US**

Fly to the US, arriving home the same day or the following morning depending on flight schedules.



Forbidden City, Beijing

Departure Dates & Prices

2012 Departures		Price
18 Feb - 02 Mar	25 Feb - 09 Mar	\$3,490
10 Mar - 23 Mar		\$3,790
24 Mar - 06 Apr	31 Mar - 13 Apr	\$3,990
14 Apr - 27 Apr	28 Apr - 11 May	\$4,290
05 May - 18 May	12 May - 25 May	
19 May - 01 Jun	26 May - 08 Jun	
02 Jun - 15 Jun	09 Jun - 22 Jun	\$4,790
14 Jul - 27 Jul	28 Jul - 10 Aug	
04 Aug - 17 Aug	11 Aug - 24 Aug	
18 Aug - 31 Aug	01 Sep - 14 Sep	\$4,490
08 Sep - 21 Sep	15 Sep - 28 Sep	
22 Sep - 05 Oct	29 Sep - 12 Oct	
06 Oct - 19 Oct	13 Oct - 26 Oct	\$4,290
20 Oct - 02 Nov	27 Oct - 09 Nov	
03 Nov - 16 Nov		\$3,990
17 Nov - 30 Nov		\$3,690
24 Nov - 07 Dec		\$3,490

Tour departs Saturday and returns Friday  
**Guaranteed departures (see page 15)**  
 Prices are fully inclusive from the US (see page 14)  
 Based on Los Angeles departures  
 Many other US departure points available

- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from \$2,390 (Shanghai – Beijing)
- Single room supplement from \$390 (see page 10)
- Tipping payable locally US\$63 (see page 10)
- Comfortable Paced Tour

Fully Inclusive price includes:

- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- Accommodations
- All meals
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for US residents

Hong Kong Extension (see page 63)

**Day 14: Beijing – Hong Kong**  
 Fly from Beijing to Hong Kong and transfer to your hotel.

**Day 15: Hong Kong**  
 Enjoy a half day island tour visiting Victoria Peak, Stanley Market and Aberdeen Fishing Village. The afternoon is at leisure. (B)

**Day 16: Hong Kong**  
 Enjoy the day at leisure to further explore Hong Kong. (B)

**Day 17: Hong Kong – US**  
 Fly to the US, arriving home the same day or the following morning. (B)

**From \$390pp**  
 Land only. The flight from China to Hong Kong may be included in the cost of the international ticket depending on airline.