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OUR AWARD-WINNING COLLECTION OF ESCORTED TOURS AND TAILORMADE HOLIDAYS

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# WELCOME TO THE WORLD OF WENDY WU TOURS

Come and join us on an extraordinary adventure through this enchanting region on one of our experience-packed tours. As every traveller is different, we’ve developed a range of touring styles that will allow you to travel your way. Discover the best option for you here:

**CLASSIC**

See the classic sites in the company of an expert guide so that you can really understand the history and culture of the destination. On our Classic tours we take care of everything, leaving you to sit back and enjoy the experience to the full. These tours are fully inclusive of all meals and a comprehensive touring programme including authentic cultural experiences.

**SOLO TRAVELLERS**

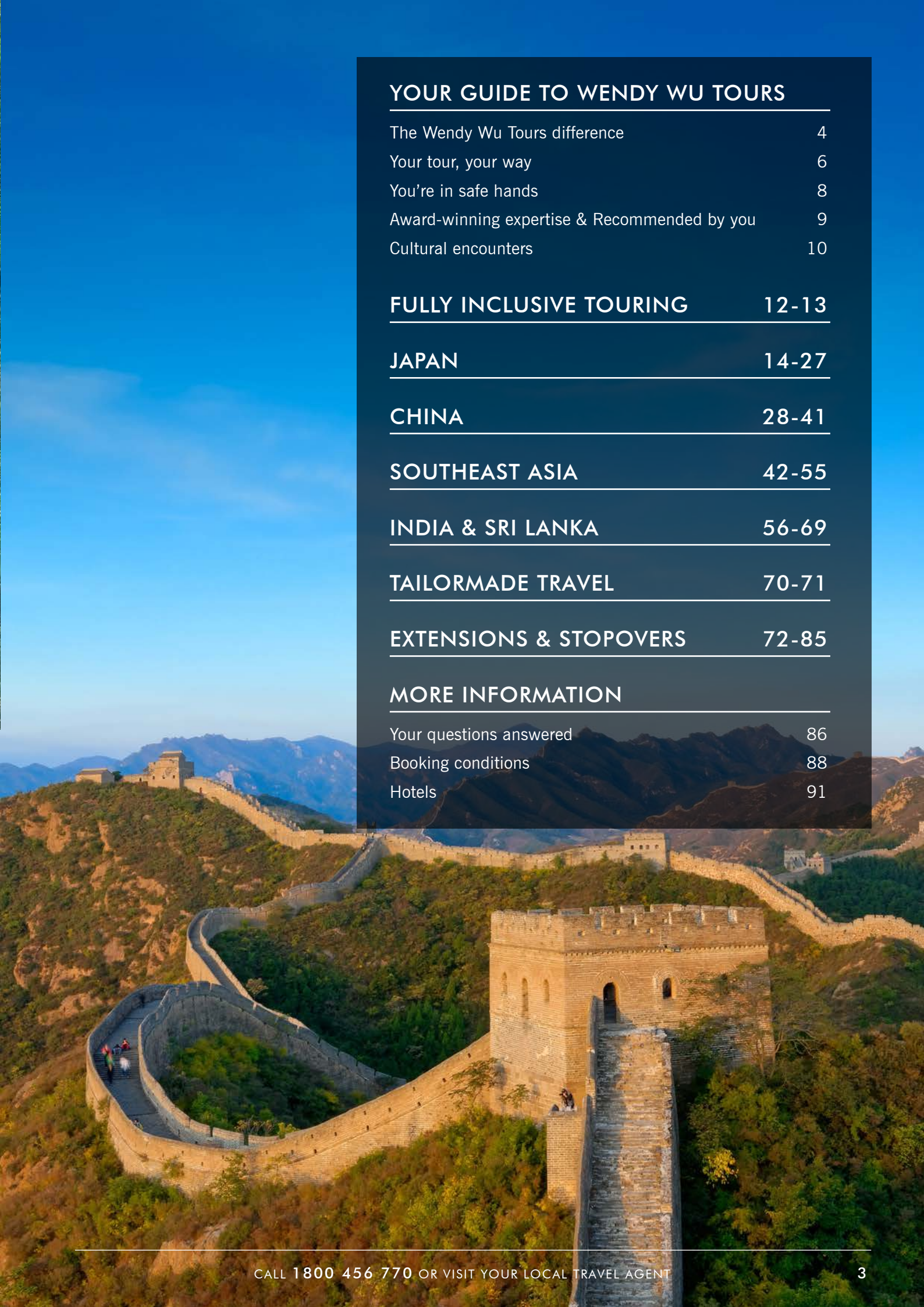
We know every solo traveller is different, so we’ve designed a range of touring styles that will allow you to travel your way. You have the option to opt for your own room or share with another tour member on most departures. Plus, some tours feature dates exclusively reserved for Dedicated Solo Departures - look out for them in the tour price boxes.

**TAILORMADE**

For the ultimate in bespoke touring, one of our expert consultants will help you in designing a tour to meet your exact requirements. Select your choice of destinations, accommodation, touring and experiences to create the perfect holiday for you.

**SPECIAL GROUPS**

If you’re travelling in a group of ten or more, we can arrange your own, independent Special Group tour. Whether that's a group of friends and family, or even a club or association, we'll tailor any of our tours to suit your group's wishes so you can enjoy a unique, fully escorted holiday without the hassle of organising everything yourself.



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# THE WENDY WU TOURS DIFFERENCE

## OUR REPUTATION AND YOUR PEACE OF MIND

We have won our industry's 'Best Long Haul Specialist Tour Operator' award for 14 years running, we have a 5-star TripAdvisor rating, a Gold Award Feefo Accreditation and 98% of our customers would recommend travelling with us! We are also TOPP-protected and compliant with the IAA regulations.

## OUR EXPERTISE

No one knows our destinations like we do, and we are passionate about sharing the best of them with you, so there is no one better to recommend the very best tours and experiences for your holiday.

## OUTSTANDING GUIDES

Our much-loved National Escorts, whose knowledge and dedication have won us the best reputation in the industry, will make your holiday with us truly extraordinary.

## EXCEPTIONAL VALUE AND INCLUSIONS

Flights, accommodation, meals, touring, trains, cruises, evening shows, amazing guides and visas...we include it all.

## VISAS

One of our differentiating qualities is our hassle-free visa process, with the costs included in the price. Our expert team will provide advice, coordinate your processing, and safely return your passports, leaving you to simply enjoy your holiday preparation.

## FANTASTIC OFFERS

We are renowned for our amazing Business Class and Premium Economy upgrades, which make your holiday all the more special, and we work with leading airlines to offer you regional departures, so travelling with us is more convenient than ever. Be sure to check our website for the latest offers.

## COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

We hand-pick comfortable hotels in great locations, have a 'seat and a half' policy on our coaches and include all meals on our Classic tours, so you can relax and enjoy your holiday with us, knowing everything is taken care of.

## AMAZING TOURS & AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

On tour with us, you will be immersed in culture and history through experiences such as meeting local families, learning ancient traditions and watching cultural shows. We also include delicious local meals in each region. Look out for the 'Authentic Experiences' box on each tour page!

## OUR ONLY GOAL

We are only satisfied when you come back to travel with us again and again – only then do we know that we have done a good job of serving you.

## TIPPING MADE EASY

We will advise you how much and when to tip and our National Escort will take care of it on your behalf.

Welcome to our brand new brochure! It is packed full of the carefully crafted tours, each designed to make your trip truly unforgettable, so you can return home with a wealth of wonderful memories and eventful travel tales to share.

Travelling with us on one of our group holidays, you'll embark on a journey packed full of iconic sights, hidden gems and exceptional experiences. We aim to not only showcase the very best of a country but to fully immerse our travellers in the local life, vibrant culture and timeless history too, for a well-rounded overview of what makes each and every country unique and magical.

Please don't just take our word for it though. We're proud to have received numerous awards over the years 'Best Long Haul Specialist Tour Operator' at the prestigious Globe Travel Awards for 14 years running. Even more important to us is our Gold Award Feefo Accreditation for customer satisfaction – what greater accolade could you ask for?

I hope this brochure inspires you to get travelling and to trust your travel plans in our safe hands.

We look forward to welcoming you on a Wendy Wu Tour soon!



吴玲 Wendy  
Wendy Wu – Owner, Wendy Wu Tours





# YOUR TOUR, YOUR WAY

We want everyone who travels with us to enjoy each extraordinary day of their Wendy Wu adventure, so we’ve made it easy for you to choose your perfect holiday. You can select based on Tour Style (which you’ll find inside the front cover), by Physical Rating (see opposite page) and if you’re travelling solo why not join one of our departures reserved exclusively for Solo Travellers?

### ACCOMMODATION STYLES

You can be safe in the knowledge that your accommodation has been hand-picked to best suit the locations you’ll visit. Our Classic tours feature comfortable, locally rated 3-4 star properties, ranging from smart business hotels to family-run guesthouses.

### GETTING AROUND

The majority of your daily travels will be by air conditioned coach on our group tours for city sightseeing, short excursions to the countryside and longer transfers where necessary and you’ll enjoy a seat and a half of space to stretch out in. You’ll may also enjoy scenic train journey’s, relaxing river cruises and fun local curios like cyclos and rickshaws.

### SOLO DEPARTURES

Solo travellers are more than welcome on any of our holidays, but we’ve reserved a few departures of our most popular tours exclusively for customers travelling on their own. These special departures feature smaller group sizes, free airport lounges and complimentary cocktails on arrival! See tours: Jewels of Japan (p.20), Discover Japan (p.22), Japan Uncovered (p.24), A China Experience (p.30), Majestic Yangtze (p.32), Wonders of China (p.34), Magnificent China (p.36), Vietnam at a Glance (p.44), Angkor to the Bay (p.48), Taj, Temples & Tigers (p.58), Inspiring India (p.60), Highlights of Sri Lanka (p.64) in this brochure or check our website at [www.wendywutours.com](http://www.wendywutours.com) for more information.

### CUSTOMISE YOUR TRIP

If you’d like to explore your destination further or arrange a stopover on your flight all you have to do is ask! We have a fantastic range of extension and stopover packages (see page 72).

### PHYSICAL RATING

All our tours feature a physical rating to help you select the right holiday for you. Every tour requires the ability to walk around sights unaided, while tours with higher physical ratings may involve longer walks, cycling, or other physical activities. Tours that traverse rough terrain, visit remote areas, or go to high altitudes will also have higher physical ratings. For more information on why each tour has been rated the way it has, please refer to the Tour Dossier (or ‘Detailed Itinerary’) available for download on the tour pages of our website.



#### LEVEL 1

A reasonable level of fitness is required. Expect to be on your feet for most of the day walking around sights, often including steps and getting on and off coaches, trains, or boats. Occasional longer walks may be included.



#### LEVEL 2

A moderate level of fitness is required. You will be on your feet for most of the day, with longer walks that include ascents and descents on steps or uneven paths. Travelling conditions may be more challenging in some areas.



#### LEVEL 3

A good level of fitness is required. You need to be comfortable walking long distances and for extended durations. The tour may also include activities such as cycling and hiking and visit some remote areas with basic infrastructure.



#### LEVEL 4

A high level of fitness and a strong spirit of adventure are required. These tours are full of activity and often visit remote areas with basic infrastructure. Expect to be on your feet and active for much of the day, with some long travelling days.

As the physical demands of each tour are different, we recommend you check your Tour Dossier (or ‘Detailed Itinerary’) carefully before booking and contact us or your agent if you’re unsure.



# You're in safe hands

Our guides are the stars of the show; it is their unrivalled knowledge, passion and expertise that will transform your tour experience from good to truly extraordinary!



"My husband and I did the two week 'Glories of China' trip recently, and our National Escort was exceptional. We had him with us for the whole two weeks, and he helped to make it the trip of a lifetime for us. By the end of our holiday he really felt more like a friend than a guide."

Catherine Prior

## AWARD-WINNING GUIDING

On all of our group tours you will be accompanied by a dedicated guide, known as your 'National Escort'. Their dedication, personality and sense of fun will immediately put you at ease and make you feel part of the family.

You will be able to put your utmost trust in your guide who will navigate you through the eccentricities of the local way of life.

## OUR NATIONAL ESCORTS

- ✔ Are experienced and qualified in guiding tours
- ✔ Are fluent in English
- ✔ Have expert knowledge of the country you are touring
- ✔ Benefit from rigorous training programmes
- ✔ Are on hand to look after you every step of the way



# Award-winning expertise

We are so proud of the numerous awards we've received over the years in recognition of the extraordinary travel experience we provide to our customers. We're just doing what we do best – creating memories to cherish and providing exceptional levels of customer service.



# Recommended by you

Awards are all well and good but it's our customer feedback that means the most to us. We're proud to be the holder of a feefo Gold Trusted Service Award. Taken only from genuine customer feedback, independently verified by Feefo, only the businesses providing the best experience for their customers make the grade. That's all the accolade we need.



98% of customers would be happy to recommend us to their friends and family!



# Our Price Promise

If you find any of our tours cheaper elsewhere, we'll match the price!

## UNBEATABLE VALUE

Our tours are renowned for their comprehensive inclusions and exceptional value for money. We're so confident you won't find the same tour at a better price that if you do, we'll not only match it, but we'll also offer you a discount of €200 per person on a future booking.

## 100% NO SURCHARGE PROMISE

Once you've paid, you've paid! As soon as we confirm your booking you can relax knowing the holiday price won't increase and you'll never have to pay extra for currency fluctuations and surcharges, etc.

## WE WON'T BE BEATEN ON PRICE

If you find a Wendy Wu tour being sold elsewhere for less than our published price, let us know and we'll match the price you've been quoted.



# Cultural Encounters, every step of the way

To make sure you truly immerse yourself in your chosen destination we pack every single one of our tours with authentic cultural experiences. We've highlighted our favourite ones on each tour page in the 'Authentic Experiences' box; but for now, here are just a few examples of what you can look forward to...

### TEA CEREMONY

A perfect display of Japanese culture, witness the preparation and performance involved in the 'Way of Tea'. Enjoy this experience on almost all Japan tours.



### HUTONGS TOUR

Explore Beijing's atmospheric hutongs on foot, venturing down the old alleyways to reach one of the traditional houses, where you will be welcomed by a family into their home.



### SHIMLA TOY TRAIN

Take a trip on India's famous Toy Train along one of the most scenic routes, winding its way slowly through forests and mountains, offering spectacular panoramic views over the surrounding area.

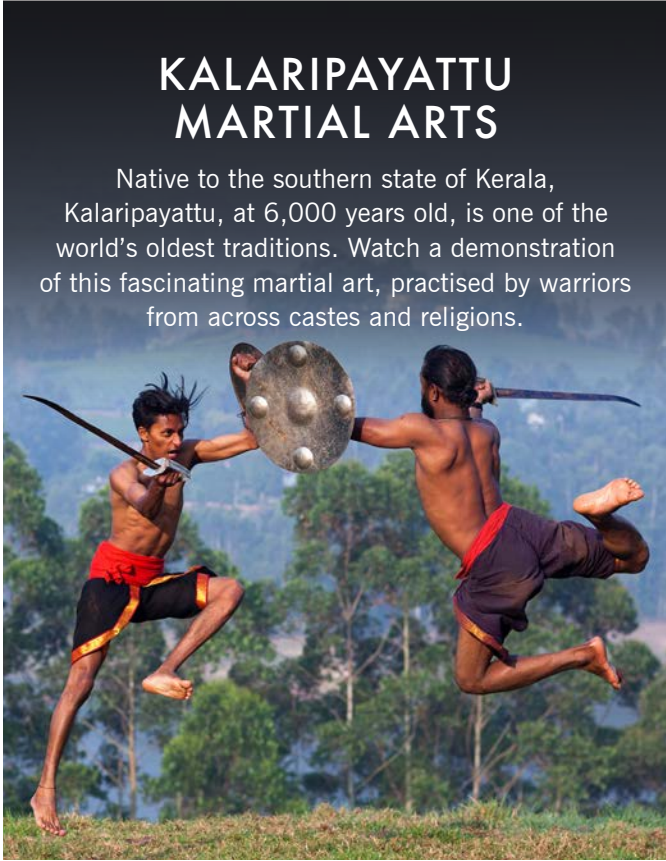
### ASIAN COOKERY CLASSES

Get an authentic taste of Southeast Asia in a hands-on cookery class. Master the art of a Thai or Vietnamese dish, and be sure to note down the recipe for later!



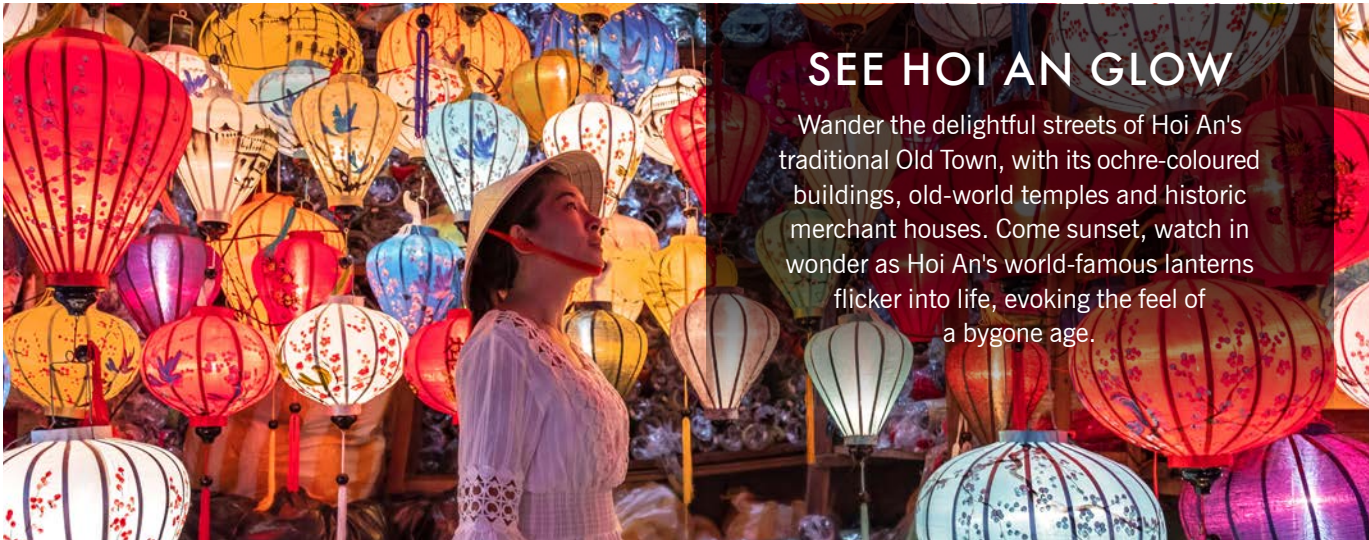
### KALARIPAYATTU MARTIAL ARTS

Native to the southern state of Kerala, Kalaripayattu, at 6,000 years old, is one of the world's oldest traditions. Watch a demonstration of this fascinating martial art, practised by warriors from across castes and religions.



### WASHI PAPER MAKING

Learn about this traditional process before getting your hands dirty making 'washi' (Japanese paper) the age-old way for yourself! Enjoy this experience on Discover Japan and Japan Uncovered.



### SEE HOI AN GLOW

Wander the delightful streets of Hoi An's traditional Old Town, with its ochre-coloured buildings, old-world temples and historic merchant houses. Come sunset, watch in wonder as Hoi An's world-famous lanterns flicker into life, evoking the feel of a bygone age.





# FULLY INCLUSIVE TOURING

Relax...Everything is taken care of

Our Classic Tours are meticulously designed journeys perfect for those who want to see iconic sights and magnificent treasures on a fully-inclusive tour that is also fantastic value! With all your arrangements taken care of you can travel with the utmost ease and confidence, accompanied throughout by one of our fantastic National Escorts.

## WHAT'S INCLUDED?

With a Classic tour all your arrangements are taken care of, all you have to do is show up, explore and enjoy.

You will be exploring with a group of maximum 28 travellers. Solo departures have a maximum group size of 18 passengers.

## YOUR CLASSIC TOUR INCLUDES:

- International airfares
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- All meals
- All transportation in destination
- All entrance fees, guides and daily tours
- Visa fees for Irish passport holders (where applicable)

## SAVOUR A TASTE OF YOUR DREAM DESTINATION

Whilst breakfasts tend to be a mixture of local eats and familiar dishes from home, when it comes to lunch and dinner, you'll be dining mainly in local establishments. We include a few 'feature meals', so you get to taste the signature dishes of the region, whilst the rest of the time you'll eat a whole, delicious range of your destination's best food.

## NATIONAL ESCORTS

You can be safe in the knowledge that throughout your tour you'll be in the company of one of our award-winning National Escorts. With their unparalleled knowledge, charisma and talent, these wonderful people are what can push your holiday from fantastic into the realms of truly unforgettable.

## AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

Thanks to the extensive expertise of our team, we can make sure you get to see those rarely visited places that will give you a more authentic experience of the culture of the region and the chance to meet the friendly local people. Keep an eye out for the 'Authentic Experiences' box on every tour page, for a taste of cultural encounters that you will enjoy.





# Discover Japan with Wendy Wu Tours

Japan is an archipelago packed with futuristic cities, imperial heritage and unique culture. Add in epic natural beauty and phenomenal cuisine, and you have a dream destination just waiting to be explored.

## WENDY'S TOP 8 JAPAN SIGHTS

1

MOUNT FUJI

With its perfectly proportioned cone, Mount Fuji is Japan's most iconic sight, so we include it on all of our Japan tours.

2

HIROSHIMA

The city of Hiroshima is a modern, vibrant place, despite the horrors of its past. Visit the moving Peace Memorial Park to reflect on past events on several of our Japan tours.

3

KYOTO

Kyoto is Japan's ancient capital and cultural hub, packed with enchanting sights, 17 of which are UNESCO World Heritage-listed. Kyoto features on all our Japan itineraries.

4

NARA

A city famous for its bowing deer and being the birthplace of Japanese culture, how could we leave that off the list? Visit Nara on several of our Japan tours.

5

KOYASAN

A holy mountain dotted with monasteries, the wonderfully atmospheric and tranquil Koyasan features on several of our Japan tours.

6

TOKYO

A big, bright and brash city, Japan's capital perfectly epitomises the clash of modern and traditional influences that is the Japan of today. Tokyo, of course, features on all Japan tours.

7

SNOW MONKEYS

The Japanese macaques are a delight to watch as they bathe in natural hot pools close to the alpine town of Yudanaka. Many of our tours now include a visit to see the snow monkeys.

8

HIMEJI CASTLE

Nicknamed the 'White Heron', striking Himeji Castle is Japan's largest and best preserved piece of feudal architecture, and is visited on many of our tours.



# A WEEK IN JAPAN

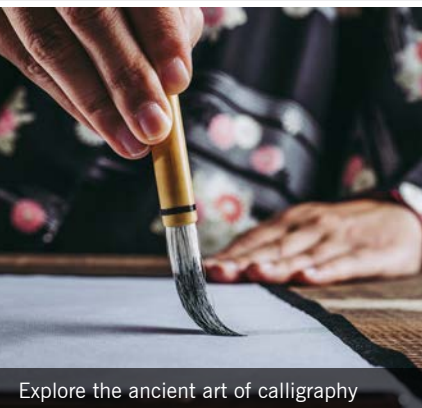
- 8 DAYS FROM
- PER PERSON €5,990
- FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM IRELAND
- ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Stroll through vibrant Tokyo
- ✓ Admire beautiful Mount Fuji
- ✓ Discover Kyoto's temples
- ✓ Explore historic Nara
- ✓ Journey on the bullet train
- ✓ Experience a sacred tea ceremony

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 6 breakfasts, 5 lunches & 6 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Explore the ancient art of calligraphy

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- With traditional brushes, ink and paper, try your hand at the beautiful art of calligraphy, an important aspect of Japanese culture since its introduction from China in the 6th century.
- Experience the perfect display of Japanese culture as you witness the preparation and performance involved in the 'Way of Tea', a traditional tea ceremony.
- Embark on a relaxed dinner cruise on the waters of Tokyo Bay, enabling you to look back and admire the bright, twinkling lights of the city by night.



Admire majestic Mount Fuji

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO TOKYO

Fly overnight to the vibrant, neon-bright metropolis of Tokyo, Japan's capital city. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 3: EXPLORE TOKYO

Tokyo is a city that is always moving forward – from the ever-changing skyline to the fashions and trends of the people who call it home. As modern as it may appear, behind the neon façade is a traditional soul that is easy to find amongst the old alleyways, temples and shrines of the Edo era. Today you will experience both sides of the city, ascending the soaring Tokyo Skytree, the tallest structure in Japan, for panoramic views, before taking a wander through the old district of Asakusa. Stop to soak up the atmosphere at Sensoji, Tokyo's most famous



Experience Tokyo's Shibuya Crossing

and beloved temple and browse the stalls of Nakamise shopping street. You will also drive by the Imperial Palace Plaza and take a stroll through Hamarikyu Gardens. This evening, cruise the waters of Tokyo Bay and enjoy dinner from the perfect vantage point to admire the supercharged lights of the city.

### DAY 4: MOUNT FUJI

Travel by road from Tokyo to the iconic Mount Fuji, where you will ascend 2,400 metres up its slopes to the 5th Station (weather permitting) for magnificent views of both Fuji's cone and the surrounding landscapes. Transfer to the spa region of Hakone. Embark on a cruise on the spectacular Lake Ashi, keeping an eye out for the vermilion torii gates that nestle on the surrounding hills and in the shallows of the lake itself. Next, fly high above the lake on the Komagatake Ropeway to the summit of Mount Komagatake for views of Mount Fuji. Stay overnight in the wider Fuji area and enjoy the public onsen facilities.

### DAY 5: BULLET TRAIN TO KYOTO

Transfer to Odawara Station to jump onboard the Hikari bullet train and whizz your way to Kyoto. Capital for a millennium, Kyoto was also the heart of religion, philosophy, art and cuisine, making it a treasure trove of history and culture. It is here that all of the best-known cultural arts were born – the tea ceremony, Kabuki and geisha to name a few. This afternoon, visit the magnificent Fushimi Inari Shrine, the most important of several thousand shrines dedicated to the god Inari. Follow the pathway through thousands of vermilion torii gates that leads through a complex of shrines spread over a peaceful, forested hillside.



Discover the imposing Osaka Castle



Explore Tokyo's Sensoji Temple

### DAY 6: UNCOVER KYOTO

Begin the day with a visit to Ryoanji Temple, locally referred to as the 'temple of the peaceful dragon', and spend time enjoying the peaceful surroundings in its famous Zen garden. Next, continue to one of Japan's most photographed temples, Kinkakuji, also known as the 'Golden Pavilion'. Set amongst classical Japanese Zen gardens and on the edge of a reflecting pool, the temple's main hall is covered in gold leaf – a breathtaking sight in any season. After lunch, enjoy a taste of authentic Japanese culture, experiencing the elegant ritual of a tea ceremony with a tea master and learn the traditional art of calligraphy.

### DAY 7: DISCOVER NARA & OSAKA

This morning, depart for Nara. Another former capital, Nara also has a huge cultural legacy, considered second only to Kyoto's. This picturesque, compact city is truly charming. Spend the morning discovering Todaiji Temple which houses the magnificent Daibutsu, a 15-metre-tall bronze statue of Buddha. Here, you will also meet Nara's famous sika deer, believed to be the messengers of the Shinto gods. Stroll around Isuien, a prime example of a 19th-century Japanese garden. Continue to Osaka, where you will have lunch at a local restaurant and explore the well-renowned Dotonbori district. End the day at the magnificent Osaka Castle, where you will have time to learn about its turbulent history.

### DAY 8: FLY OSAKA TO IRELAND

Fly to Ireland, arriving home the same or following day.



See Nara's Daibutsu Buddha

## EXTEND YOUR STAY...



### HONG KONG GLIMPSES STOPOVER

3 days from €480pp

### ESSENTIAL DUBAI STOPOVER

3 days from €370pp

Visit page 72 to learn more about all of our extensions and stopovers.

## A WEEK IN JAPAN

## CLASSIC JAPAN

## PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Limited for time? Discover Japan's most iconic highlights in one unforgettable week. Explore the historic cities of Kyoto and Nara, be awestruck by the beauty of Mount Fuji and see the bright lights of Tokyo and Osaka.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing days of the week vary during peak season

### 2025 DATES

17 Mar - 24 Mar	€6,620	08 Sep - 15 Sep	€5,990
21 Mar - 28 Mar	€6,620	15 Sep - 22 Sep	€5,990
24 Mar - 31 Mar	SOLD OUT	06 Oct - 13 Oct	€6,120
28 Mar - 04 Apr	€6,620	10 Oct - 17 Oct	€6,120
31 Mar - 07 Apr	SOLD OUT	13 Oct - 20 Oct	€6,120
04 Apr - 11 Apr	€6,490	17 Oct - 24 Oct	€6,120
07 Apr - 14 Apr	SOLD OUT	20 Oct - 27 Oct	€6,120
14 Apr - 21 Apr	€6,490	07 Nov - 14 Nov	€6,120
05 May - 12 May	€5,990	10 Nov - 17 Nov	€6,120
12 May - 19 May	€5,990	14 Nov - 21 Nov	€6,120

### 2026 DATES

16 Mar - 23 Mar	€6,870	07 Sep - 14 Sep	€6,240
20 Mar - 27 Mar	€6,870	14 Sep - 21 Sep	€6,240
23 Mar - 30 Mar	€6,870	28 Sep - 05 Oct	€6,240
27 Mar - 03 Apr	€6,870	05 Oct - 12 Oct	€6,240
30 Mar - 06 Apr	€6,870	12 Oct - 19 Oct	€6,240
03 Apr - 10 Apr	€6,870	19 Oct - 26 Oct	€6,240
06 Apr - 13 Apr	€6,870	02 Nov - 09 Nov	€6,240
10 Apr - 17 Apr	€6,870	09 Nov - 16 Nov	€6,240
13 Apr - 20 Apr	€6,870	16 Nov - 23 Nov	€6,240
17 Apr - 24 Apr	€6,870	23 Nov - 30 Nov	€6,240
08 May - 15 May	€6,870		

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on Dublin departures
- Regional Ireland departures available
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from €4,990 (Tokyo - Osaka)
- Single room from €1,240

Call for our 2027 pricing and departures



# EXPERIENCE JAPAN

- 11 DAYS FROM
- PER PERSON €8,240
- FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM IRELAND
- ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Discover delightful Nara
- ✓ Visit Matsumoto & Osaka castles
- ✓ Explore Arashiyama bamboo forest
- ✓ Watch snow monkeys play
- ✓ See Kamakura's Grand Buddha
- ✓ View the impressive Mount Fuji



Visit the beautiful Osaka Castle

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 9 breakfasts, 8 lunches & 9 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Try your hand at Japanese fan painting

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Visit a historic Kyoto fan house to try your hand at the art of Japanese fan painting, practised for over a thousand years and still alive today.
- Discover a miso house during your time at Matsumoto, and learn how miso, one of Japan's five core ingredients is made. The history of miso can be traced back over 1,300 years and plays a pivotal role in Japanese culture.
- Explore the fascinating cultural heritage of Tokyo, learn what shaped this impressive city and get a glimpse of what life was like through the ages at the Tokyo-Edo Museum.

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO OSAKA

Fly overnight to the lively, fast-paced city of Osaka! Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 3: DISCOVER NARA

Visit the impressive Osaka Castle before cruising along the Yodogawa River. After lunch, continue to Nara and enjoy a leisurely walk through Nara Park to Todaiji Temple and admire the traditional Isuien Gardens before returning to Osaka.

### DAY 4: HIGHLIGHTS OF KYOTO

Journey by road to Kyoto. Capital for 1,000 years, this enchanting city is the epitome of traditional Japan. Start with a visit to Togetsukyo Bridge located in the heart of the vibrant district of Arashiyama and stroll through the bamboo forest with its towering thickets. Later, visit Ryoanji, the 'temple of the peaceful dragon', home to Japan's most famous Zen garden. Admire the famously beautiful 'Golden Pavilion' of Kinkakuji before some free time in Kyoto.

### DAY 5: KYOTO'S CULTURAL ARTS

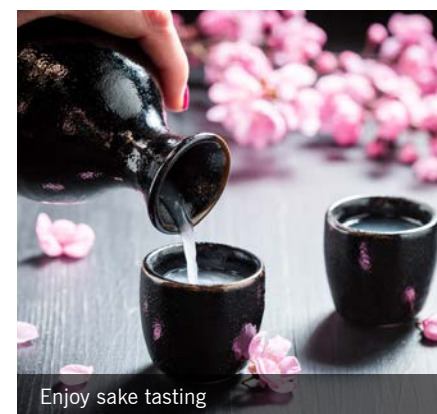
Begin the day with a visit to one of Kyoto's most famous sites – Fushimi Inari Shrine, renowned for its 10,000 vermilion torii gates, and follow a forested hillside pathway passing numerous shrines along the way. Later, enjoy the age-old rituals of a tea ceremony with a tea master, and try your hand at origami. After lunch, your immersive experience continues with a fan painting class where you will learn the technique of this highly refined and sought-after visual art.

### DAY 6: SNOW MONKEYS

Spend the morning travelling by bullet train to Nagoya and then journey on the limited express train to Nagano. Upon arrival, head to Jigokudani Yaen-Koen and walk through a picturesque, forested valley to the hot pools where you may see the famous Japanese macaques (snow monkeys) bathe and play. Also visit the 7th-century Zenkoji Temple, one of Japan's most popular Buddhist temples, before continuing by road to Matsumoto.

### DAY 7: MISO & SAKE TASTING

Begin the day with a visit to the magnificent 16th-century Matsumoto Castle, also known as 'Crow Castle', due to its intense black exterior. Next, head to a miso house and learn about the process of making this famous Japanese seasoning. After lunch, visit a sake brewery and enjoy a tipple or two! There will be some free time this afternoon to further explore Matsumoto.



Enjoy sake tasting



Discover Arashiyama bamboo forest

### DAY 8: MOUNT FUJI

Today, head to the Fuji Five Lakes area, where you will ascend 2,400 meters by road to the 5th Station (weather permitting) for magnificent views of both Mount Fuji's cone and the surrounding landscape. Also, enjoy a short cruise on Lake Ashi before taking to the skies on the Komagatake Ropeway to enjoy the breathtaking scenery below. Stay overnight in Mishima and enjoy the public onsen facilities.

### DAY 9: KAMAKURA GRAND BUDDHA

Journey to Kamakura, a popular coastal city located south of Tokyo. Visit Kotokuin Temple, home to Japan's second tallest bronze Buddha, before strolling through Komachi Street, lined with pretty little shops. Stop to visit Tsurugaoka Hachimangu, Kamakura's most important shrine. After lunch, continue to Tokyo and enjoy a leisurely walk through Hamarikyu Gardens.

### DAY 10: DISCOVER TOKYO

Begin the day by ascending to the observation deck at the Tokyo Skytree for panoramic views over the city below. Next, head to the old district of Asakusa and soak up the atmosphere at Sensoji, Tokyo's oldest and most famous temple, before browsing the stalls on Nakamise shopping street. After lunch, explore the Tokyo National Museum to learn about Tokyo's past. End the day with a cruise on the waters of Tokyo Bay and enjoy dinner from the perfect vantage point to admire the supercharged lights of the city.

### DAY 11: FLY TOKYO TO IRELAND

Fly to Ireland, arriving home the same or following day.



Admire Mount Fuji from Lake Ashi

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## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

This tour not only visits the famous sights of Japan including Osaka, Nara, Kyoto, Mount Fuji and Tokyo, but is brimful of experiences allowing you to immerse yourself in the local culture, from traditional tea ceremonies to origami.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing Monday returning Thursday

### 2025 DATES

10 Mar - 20 Mar	€8,240	21 Jul - 31 Jul	€8,240
17 Mar - 27 Mar	SOLD OUT	18 Aug - 28 Aug	€8,240
24 Mar - 03 Apr	€8,240	08 Sep - 18 Sep	€8,240
31 Mar - 10 Apr	SOLD OUT	15 Sep - 25 Sep	€8,240
07 Apr - 17 Apr	€8,240	22 Sep - 02 Oct	€8,240
14 Apr - 24 Apr	SOLD OUT	06 Oct - 16 Oct	€8,240
21 Apr - 01 May	€8,240	13 Oct - 23 Oct	€8,240
05 May - 15 May	€8,240	20 Oct - 30 Oct	€8,240
12 May - 22 May	€8,240	27 Oct - 06 Nov	€8,240
19 May - 29 May	€8,240	03 Nov - 13 Nov	€8,240
26 May - 05 Jun	€8,240	10 Nov - 20 Nov	€8,240

### 2026 DATES

09 Mar - 19 Mar	€8,990	15 Jun - 25 Jun	€8,620
16 Mar - 26 Mar	€8,990	20 Jul - 30 Jul	€8,740
23 Mar - 02 Apr	€8,990	17 Aug - 27 Aug	€8,740
30 Mar - 09 Apr	€8,990	07 Sep - 17 Sep	€8,620
06 Apr - 16 Apr	€8,990	14 Sep - 24 Sep	€8,620
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## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Feel the rush of Tokyo
- ✓ Admire beautiful Mount Fuji
- ✓ Take part in a tea ceremony
- ✓ Be charmed by Kyoto
- ✓ Reflect in Hiroshima
- ✓ Explore relaxed Miyajima

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 9 breakfasts, 8 lunches & 9 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Try your hand at origami

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Take part in a handicraft experience – the traditions and techniques of the intricate art of origami. You'll learn to fold some of the simpler, but still impressive, shapes and designs.
- More than just a hot drink, the Japanese tea ceremony dates back to the 9th century and represents purity, tranquillity, respect and harmony. Experience the preparation and presentation that goes into this sacred ritual.
- The buckwheat soba noodle is one of Japan's most famous culinary exports – try your hand at making them from scratch, before feasting on the delicious results for lunch.



Journey by ferry to the holy island of Miyajima

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO TOKYO

Fly overnight to the dazzling metropolis of Tokyo, Japan's capital city. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 3: DISCOVER TOKYO

Head to the Tokyo National Museum in Ueno Park to uncover 2,000 years of Japanese heritage. After lunch, seek out the tranquillity at Sensoji Temple in Asakusa district, followed by a visit to the observation deck of the 634-metre Skytree for panoramic views over the sprawling city below.

### DAY 4: MEIJI SHRINE

Visit Meiji Jingu, a Shinto shrine dedicated to the deified spirit of Meiji, the 19th-century emperor who presided over Japan's radical modernisation. Nestled in peaceful urban woodland, this shrine feels a world away from the buzzing Shibuya Crossing which we will admire before lunch. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure to explore as you wish. End the day with a dinner cruise on Tokyo Bay and witness the city lit up at night.

### DAY 5: MOUNT FUJI & FUJI FIVE LAKES

Journey through the foothills of the iconic Mount Fuji to its base where we find the Fuji Five Lakes. The region is spectacularly dotted by the calm waters of five lakes, formed by past volcanic eruptions, reflecting Mount Fuji's picture-perfect cone. Ascend 2,000 metres up to Mount Fuji's 5th Station by coach (weather permitting) and take in the breathtaking views over the landscapes below. Next, head to Lake Kawaguchi in search of more views of Mount Fuji. Drive along the edge of Lake Saiko to

reach Iyashi no Sato Historical Village, a former farming village on the shores of Lake Saiko. Destroyed by a landslide in 1966, the remaining thatch-roofed houses of this old village have been transformed into an open-air museum and craft village. Stay overnight in Mishima and enjoy the public onsen facilities.

### DAY 6: BULLET TRAIN TO KYOTO

Start the day with a visit to Oshino Hakkai village with its charming houses and deep pools. Later, learn how to make your very own traditional Japanese soba noodles, and enjoy your creations for lunch! Later, transfer to Mishima station and journey on the bullet train to Kyoto. An enchanting city, Kyoto was capital for 1,000 years; today it is the legacy of ancient Japan, full of tranquil temples, silk-clad geisha and sublime gardens.

### DAY 7: EXPLORE KYOTO

Enjoy a full day tour of Kyoto starting with a visit to one of Kyoto's delightful temples – the 17th-century Buddhist Kiyomizu. Immerse yourself in the culture by experiencing the sacred rituals of a tea ceremony with a tea master and try your hand at origami. Dating back to the 6th century, the art of 'folding paper' is a cultural symbol of simplicity, beauty and peace. Later, explore the impressive Fushimi Inari Shrine with its remarkable 10,000 red torii gates.

### DAY 8: JOURNEY TO HIROSHIMA

Begin the day with a visit to Ryoanji Temple, referred to locally as the 'temple of the peaceful dragon', which is home to Japan's most famous Zen garden. Afterwards, enjoy



Visit the village of Oshino Hakkai in Fuji Five Lakes

a photo opportunity at the renowned Kinkakuji Temple, known as the 'Golden Pavilion'. Travel by bullet train to Hiroshima; a bustling coastal city with a famously tragic history.

### DAY 9: HIROSHIMA & MIYAJIMA

Hop on the ferry to the holy island of Miyajima and visit the Itsukushima Shrine, one of Japan's most recognisable UNESCO World Heritage sites, located on the edge of the Seto Inland Sea. Take an optional ride on the cable car up Mount Misen to enjoy the panoramic views. Return to Hiroshima and take a moment to reflect at the Peace Memorial Park and Museum, which pays homage to the victims of the 1945 atomic bomb. Visit the Orizuru Tower for breathtaking views over the city.

### DAY 10: HIMEJI CASTLE

Travel to Himeji to visit its famous castle. The feudal era fort, one of the most impressive in Japan, towers over the city and is recognisable as the backdrop to several major films. Admire its well-preserved architecture before strolling around Kokoen, the Edo-style gardens just across the castle moat. Continue to vibrant Osaka, one of the most cosmopolitan cities in Japan. Later, meet your group in the hotel lobby and head into the city for this evening's farewell dinner.

### DAY 11: FLY OSAKA TO IRELAND

Fly to the Ireland, arriving home the same or following day.



Experience a traditional tea ceremony

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## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

See the classic sights of Japan, visiting modern Tokyo, iconic Mount Fuji and historic Kyoto. A visit to Hiroshima's Peace Memorial Park and Museum and the holy island of Miyajima complete this fascinating tour.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing days of the week vary during peak season

### 2025 DATES

17 Mar - 27 Mar	SOLD OUT	14 Jun - 24 Jun	€7,740
19 Mar - 29 Mar	SOLD OUT	21 Jun - 01 Jul	€7,740
21 Mar - 31 Mar	€8,240	19 Jul - 29 Jul	€7,990
23 Mar - 02 Apr	SOLD OUT	16 Aug - 26 Aug	€7,990
25 Mar - 04 Apr	SOLD OUT	08 Sep - 18 Sep	€7,490
27 Mar - 06 Apr	SOLD OUT	13 Sep - 23 Sep	€7,740
29 Mar - 08 Apr	SOLD OUT	22 Sep - 02 Oct	€7,740
31 Mar - 10 Apr	SOLD OUT	27 Sep - 07 Oct	€7,740
01 Apr - 11 Apr	SOLD OUT	29 Sep - 09 Oct	€7,740
03 Apr - 13 Apr	SOLD OUT	04 Oct - 14 Oct	€7,870
05 Apr - 15 Apr	SOLD OUT	06 Oct - 16 Oct	€7,870
07 Apr - 17 Apr	€9,620	11 Oct - 21 Oct	€7,870
12 Apr - 22 Apr	SOLD OUT	13 Oct - 23 Oct	€7,870
14 Apr - 24 Apr	€8,240	18 Oct - 28 Oct	€7,870
19 Apr - 29 Apr	€8,120	27 Oct - 06 Nov	€7,870
03 May - 13 May	€7,490	01 Nov - 11 Nov	€7,870
10 May - 20 May	SOLD OUT	03 Nov - 13 Nov	€7,870
17 May - 27 May	SOLD OUT	08 Nov - 18 Nov	€9,370
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07 Jun - 17 Jun	€7,740		

### 2026 DATES

16 Mar - 26 Mar	€8,740	21 Jun - 01 Jul	€8,240
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# DISCOVER JAPAN

13 DAYS FROM

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ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Feel the rush of Tokyo
- ✓ Admire majestic Mount Fuji
- ✓ Be charmed by Kyoto
- ✓ Visit Buddhist Koyasan
- ✓ See ancient Nara
- ✓ Explore the Japanese Alps

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 11 breakfasts, 10 lunches & 11 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Learn about miso seasoning

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Learn all about the traditional production of an essential element of Japanese cooking, the fermented soybean paste 'miso', at an old wooden miso house.
- Join a dedicated craftsman in a small workshop to hear about the delicate and intricate art of gold leaf making, discovering what gold leaf is and how it is used before having a go yourself.
- Discover the traditional process of paper making before getting your hands dirty making 'washi' (Japanese paper) the age-old way.



Admire the traditional architecture of UNESCO-listed Shirakawago

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO TOKYO

Fly overnight to the dazzling metropolis of Tokyo, Japan's capital city. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 3: TOKYO CITY TOUR

Tokyo is the ultimate 24-hour city, but look behind its frantic, high-tech frontage and you will find plenty of tranquil backstreets and old temples to explore. Begin at the observation deck of the 634-metre Skytree, before wandering through the old district of Asakusa. Stop to seek out the tranquillity of the ancient Buddhist Sensoji Temple, Tokyo's oldest. Discover Tokyo's royal heritage with a drive past the Imperial Palace Plaza. This evening, take a relaxed dinner cruise on Tokyo Bay for some excellent city vistas.

### DAY 4: MOUNT FUJI

Take the super-fast bullet train to Odawara. Enjoy a boat trip on Lake Ashi for spectacular panoramas of this beautiful area before venturing up the Komagatake Ropeway. Next, ascend over 2,000 metres up Mount Fuji to the 5th Station (weather permitting) and take in the breathtaking views over the Fuji Five Lakes area below.

### DAY 5: MATSUMOTO CASTLE

Transfer to Matsumoto and explore the formidable 16th-century Matsumoto Castle. Stop at a Miso House to learn about the process of making this famous Japanese seasoning. Travel on to Takayama, nestled high in the mountainous Hida region, also known as the Japanese Alps.

### DAY 6: EXPLORE TAKAYAMA

Browse the local handicrafts and fresh produce at the Miyagawa morning market and wander past some of the lovely traditional houses. Visit several of the excellent local museums – including the Festival Floats Museum, Kusakabe Folk Crafts Museum and Takayama Jinya. Enjoy some free time in Kamisanomachi Street and make use of the onsen facilities at your overnight hotel.

### DAY 7: SHIRAKAWAGO & KANAZAWA

Get a glimpse of rural Japan at the UNESCO-listed village of Shirakawago, famed for its gassho-style farmhouses with their steep thatched roofs. Try your hand at washi paper making in nearby Gokayama before continuing to Kanazawa. Here, meander through beautiful Kenrokuen, one of the Three Great Gardens of Japan.

### DAY 8: GOLD LEAF MAKING

Begin the day learning the process of making gold leaf. Next, stroll through traditional Higashi Chaya (the Eastern Teahouse District), and visit Ochaya Shima, a historic geisha house. Later, journey to Kyoto. Japan's capital from 794 to 1868, Kyoto is a window into a bygone era: think tranquil temples, silk-clad geisha and sublime gardens.

### DAY 9: EXPLORE KYOTO

Start the day with a visit to Ryoanji, the 'temple of the peaceful dragon' and the famous Kinkakuji, also known as the 'Golden Pavilion'. In the afternoon, head to a restored Japanese wooden town house to try your hand at origami and enjoy the age-old rituals of a tea ceremony with a tea master.



Visit Koyasan's Okunoin cemetery

### DAY 10: DISCOVER NARA

Visit Fushimi Inari Shrine, remarkable for its 10,000 vermilion torii gates. Continue to Nara, a relaxed and charming town virtually untouched by the ravages of modernity. Another former capital, Nara also has a huge cultural legacy, considered second only to Kyoto, and is home to many archetypal pieces of early art and architecture. Stroll through Nara Park to Todaiji Temple, meeting the resident sika deer en route, before exploring Isuien Garden.

### DAY 11: KOYASAN

The holy mountain of Koyasan is home to a cluster of over 100 monasteries, nestled in a valley enclosed by peaks said to resemble a lotus flower. Arguably the most sacred mountain in all of Japan, Koyasan is the heart of Shingon Buddhism and is the resting place of Japan's best known Buddhist, known as both Kukai and Kobo Daishi. Wander around Okunoin – a vast cemetery of 200,000 stupas. Enjoy the tranquillity and spectacular views as you discover Kongobuji Temple and the Garan Temple Complex. Later, continue to Osaka.

### DAY 12: EXPLORE OSAKA

Begin the day exploring Osaka Castle, which is one of Japan's most famous. Next, take a short cruise along the Yodogawa River and stroll through Dotonbori, a restaurant mecca, where you can sample the local delicacies for lunch. The remainder of the day is free for you to explore this fascinating city.

### DAY 13: FLY OSAKA TO IRELAND

Fly to Ireland, arriving home the same or following day.



Explore the imposing Matsumoto Castle

## DISCOVER JAPAN

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PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

See the classic sights of Japan including Tokyo, Mount Fuji and the historic capitals of Kyoto and Nara. Plus, journey through the Japanese Alps to uncover the cultural centres of Takayama, rural Shirakawago and laidback Kanazawa.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing days of the week vary

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See the sika deer in Nara



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17 DAYS FROM

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ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Discover historic Kyoto & Nara
- ✓ Reflect in Hiroshima & Miyajima
- ✓ Admire beautiful Mount Fuji
- ✓ See the snow monkeys
- ✓ Feel the rush of Tokyo & Osaka
- ✓ Explore Kanazawa & Takayama

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 15 breakfasts, 14 lunches & 15 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Visit a wasabi farm

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- One of Japan's most famous condiments, wasabi is an essential element in Japanese cuisine. Learn about its cultivation on a traditional farm and admire the landscapes.
- Admire the elaborately dyed silk creations of artist Kubota Itchiku at his eponymous art museum. Itchiku single-handedly revived the traditional and beautiful technique of 'tsujigahana'.
- Arguably the world's most famous pedestrian crossing, seen in many a film and television show, witness the organised chaos and bright lights of Tokyo's Shibuya Crossing for yourself.



Witness the bloom of the cherry blossom at Himeji Castle

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO OSAKA

Fly overnight to the lively, fast-paced city of Osaka! Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 3: DISCOVER NARA

Spend the morning in Nara, the small, history-filled city that was Japan's first capital. Stroll through Nara Park to Todaiji Temple and admire the traditional Isuien Garden. Return to Osaka and visit the impressive Osaka Castle before cruising along the Yodogawa River.

### DAY 4: HIMEJI CASTLE

Depart Osaka for Hiroshima, stopping en route to explore the magnificent 17th-century Himeji Castle and the neighbouring Kokoen, a traditional-style garden.

### DAY 5: EXPLORE HIROSHIMA

Hiroshima is a vibrant, forward-thinking city that is a pleasure to explore. Reflect on the city's tragic past at the Peace Memorial Park and Museum, paying homage to the victims of the 1945 atomic bomb. Next, take the ferry to the holy island of Miyajima to visit the Itsukushima Shrine and enjoy some time at leisure.

### DAY 6: BULLET TRAIN TO KYOTO

Start the day with a journey by bullet train to Kyoto. Capital for 1,000 years, this enchanting city is the epitome of traditional Japan. Visit Ryoanji Temple, home to Japan's most famous Zen garden and Kinkakuji Temple, also known as 'Golden Pavilion'.

### DAY 7: JAPANESE TEA CEREMONY

Enjoy one of Kyoto's most delightful spots, Kiyomizu, a 17th-century Buddhist temple,

before experiencing the age-old rituals of a traditional tea ceremony with a tea master. After lunch, visit Fushimi Inari Shrine, renowned for its 10,000 vermillion torii gates.

### DAY 8: TRAVEL TO KANAZAWA

Travel by road to Kanazawa. Meander through Kenrokuen, one of the Three Great Gardens of Japan, before viewing the excellent art collection of the Kanazawa 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art.

### DAY 9: WASHI PAPER MAKING

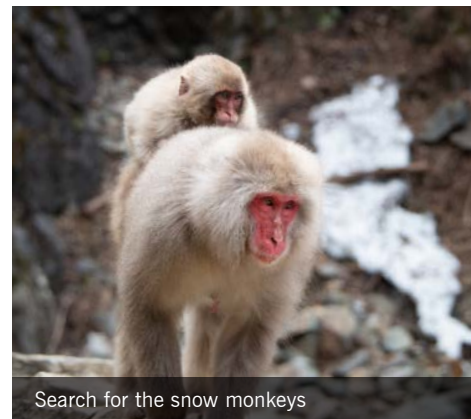
Visit the Nomura Samurai House and Garden before departing Kanazawa. Stop in Gokayama for lunch and a hands-on washi paper making workshop. Continue to Shirakawago, where you will explore the 300-year-old Gassho-style Wada House, before continuing to Takayama.

### DAY 10: EXPLORE TAKAYAMA

Browse the local handicrafts and fresh produce at the Miyagawa morning market and wander past some of the lovely traditional houses. Also visit several of the excellent local museums, including the Festival Floats Museum, Kusakabe Folk Crafts Museum and Takayama Jinya followed by a stroll down Kamisannomachi Street. Enjoy the onsen facilities at your overnight hotel.

### DAY 11: TRAVEL TO NAGANO

Travel to Matsumoto and explore the formidable 16th-century Matsumoto Castle. Visit a miso house and learn about this famous Japanese seasoning. Also spend some time at a wasabi farm to learn about its cultivation before continuing to Nagano.



Search for the snow monkeys

### DAY 12: SNOW MONKEYS

Don your walking boots and walk 40-60 minutes through the sloping Jigokudani Valley to reach the hot springs, where you may see the Japanese snow monkeys bathe and play. Enjoy some time for photos before the return walk. Return to Nagano to visit Zenkoji, a 7th-century Buddhist temple.

### DAY 13: MOUNT FUJI

The sacred peak of Mount Fuji has inspired artists, poets and pilgrims for centuries. Drive from Nagano to reach the Fuji Five Lakes region, where, weather permitting, you can enjoy dramatic views of Fuji and ascend by road to the 5th Station. Overnight in the wider Fuji area.

### DAY 14: EXPLORE HAKONE

Begin the day with a short cruise on the peaceful waters of Lake Ashi. Next, soar high on the Hakone cable car to reach the volcanic Owakudani Valley and discover Mount Hakone's dramatic natural hot springs, which often offer good views of Mount Fuji. Later, continue to Tokyo.

### DAY 15: DISCOVER TOKYO

A dazzling, high-tech metropolis, Japan's capital has wonderfully traditional roots. Start your explorations at one of the city's lovely gardens, visit Meiji Shrine and stop by the famous Shibuya Crossing.

### DAY 16: MORE TOKYO

Stroll the vibrant Asakusa district and soak up the ambiance of Sensoji, Tokyo's oldest Buddhist temple. Ascend to the observation deck of the 634-metre Skytree before lunch. The afternoon is free until this evening's farewell dinner cruise.

### DAY 17: FLY TOKYO TO IRELAND

Fly to Ireland, arriving home the same or following day.

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Our most comprehensive tour of Japan includes all the classic sights and key cultural activities. Featuring modern cities, historical sights and beautiful landscapes it ensures you'll get the most from this fascinating land.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

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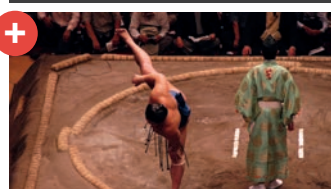
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\*Includes the sumo wrestling tournament

Dedicated solos departure

## SEE SUMO WRESTLING



### Call for our 2027 pricing and departures

On some May and September departures\*, there is an extra special addition to day 15: a sumo tournament. Many of Japan's most ancient traditions are preserved in the sport, and the rituals involved in its performance are as fascinating to watch as the wrestling itself. Subject to availability.



# JAPAN BY RAIL

21 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON €12,620

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM IRELAND

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Reflect in Nagasaki & Hiroshima
- ✓ Admire Kyoto's temples
- ✓ See the snow monkeys
- ✓ Explore bustling Tokyo
- ✓ Discover Sendai & Hakodate
- ✓ Spend time in Sapporo

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 19 breakfasts, 18 lunches & 19 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Enjoy a momiji manju cooking experience

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Under the guidance of a skilled instructor, try your hand at making momiji manju (maple leaf bean buns), Miyajima's most famous confectionery for over a hundred years.
- Learn about the role of the masu sake cup in Japan's culture before stepping into the studio to make your very own cup with an original design, which you can then take home as a souvenir.
- Discover the history and etiquette of making and appreciating sushi with a hands-on lesson before sitting down with your instructing chef to enjoy Japan's most famous cuisine. It's the taking part that counts!



Journey through Japan by rail

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO FUKUOKA

Fly overnight to the charming city of Fukuoka, the gateway to the island of Kyushu. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 3: EXPLORE NAGASAKI

Begin the day by travelling on the limited express train to Hiroshima. Upon arrival, enjoy a stroll through the Glover Garden, an open-air museum that exhibits mansions attributed to the Scottish merchant who contributed to the modernisation of Japan. Also, visit the Oura Catholic Church and Atomic Bomb Museum before returning to Fukuoka.

### DAY 4: MIYAJIMA ISLAND

Board the bullet train to Hiroshima, located on Japan's largest island, Honshu. Upon arrival in Hiroshima, take the ferry across the Seto Inland Sea to the holy island of Miyajima. Here, visit the Itsukushima Shrine and enjoy a momiji manju cooking experience. Later, return to Hiroshima.

### DAY 5: HIROSHIMA HIGHLIGHTS

Spend the day in Hiroshima starting with a visit to the Peace Memorial Park and Museum where you will have the opportunity to pay homage to the victims of the 1945 atomic bomb. Enjoy okonomiyaki for lunch before ascending Orizuru Tower to view the city from above, followed by a stroll through the historical Shukkeien Garden.

### DAY 6: ADMIRE HIMEJI CASTLE

Depart Hiroshima by bullet train, stopping at Himeji to visit the magnificent Himeji Castle, followed by a walk through the traditional Kokoen Garden. Continue by limited express to Osaka.

### DAY 7: OSAKA & NARA DAY TRIP

Begin the day with a visit to the Umeda Sky Building, followed by lunch in the famous Dotonburi district. Later, head to Nara and explore Todaiji, a temple which houses the impressive Daibutsu, a 15-metre-tall bronze statue of Buddha. Enjoy an ink making and calligraphy class before returning to Osaka.

### DAY 8: KYOTO'S TEMPLES

Journey by road to Kyoto. Capital for 1,000 years, this enchanting city is the epitome of traditional Japan. Upon arrival, stroll through the Arashiyama bamboo forest and admire the towering thickets. Also visit Ryoanji Temple, home to Japan's best-known Zen garden, and the famous 'Golden Pavilion' Kinkakuji.

### DAY 9: TEA CEREMONY & FAN PAINTING

The day begins with a visit to Kiyomizu-dera temple in Kyoto. Next, immerse yourself in the culture and enjoy the age-old rituals of a sacred tea ceremony, Zen meditation, and try your hand at fan painting. Also explore Gion – Kyoto's famous geisha district.

### DAY 10: EXPLORE KANAZAWA

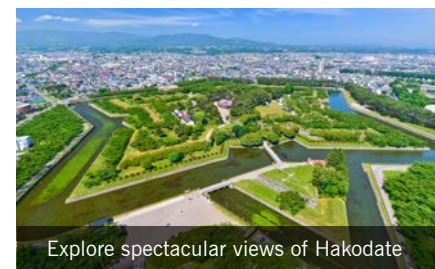
Take the limited express train to Kanazawa and upon arrival, meander your way through Kenrokuen, one of the Three Great Gardens of Japan. Also visit the Nomura Samurai House and Kunani Pottery Factory.

### DAY 11: SHIRAKAWAGO VILLAGE

Drive south towards the Alps, stopping at Inami for a sake tasting and wooden cup making. Later, admire the gassho-style farmhouses at the UNESCO-listed village of Shirakawago, famous for their steep thatched roofs that resemble 'hands in prayer'. Continue to Takayama.



Cruise Matsushima Bay in Sendai



Explore spectacular views of Hakodate

### DAY 12: DISCOVER TAKAYAMA

Spend the morning at the Miyagawa market. Also visit the Takayama Floats Museum and Takayama Jinya. Enjoy the onsen facilities at your overnight hotel.

### DAY 13: SNOW MONKEYS

Travel to Matsumoto and spend time at the Daio Wasabi Farm to see the plantations and learn about its cultivation. Continue to the town of Yudanaka and head to Jigokudani Yaen-Koen. Hike through a picturesque forested valley to the hot pools where you may see the famous Japanese macaques (snow monkeys) bathe and play before returning to Matsumoto.

### DAY 14: MATSUMOTO CASTLE

Begin the day with a visit to the magnificent 16th-century Matsumoto Castle, also known as 'Crow Castle', due to its intense black exterior. Next, head to a miso house and learn about the process of making this famous Japanese seasoning. Also visit the former post town of Naraijuku. Continue to Suwa and enjoy the onsen facilities at your hotel.

### DAY 15: MOUNT FUJI

Travel to Hakone and ascend 2,400 metres to Fuji's 5th Station (weather permitting). Also, enjoy a peaceful cruise on Lake Ashi before taking to the skies on the Komagatake Ropeway. Next, continue to Tokyo by road.

### DAY 16: TOUR TOKYO

Begin the day with a stroll through Hamarikyu Gardens. Next, take part in a sushi making class, and enjoy your own creations for lunch! Later, soak up the atmosphere at Sensoji, browse the stalls on Nakamise shopping street and drive by the Imperial Palace Plaza.

### DAY 17: TOKYO HIGHLIGHTS

Begin the day at the Tokyo Metropolitan Building and ascend to the observation deck for breathtaking views over the sprawling city. Next, soak up the atmosphere at the peaceful Meiji Jingu Shrine and drive by the world-famous Shibuya crossing. End the day with a relaxing yakata boat dinner cruise on the waters of Tokyo Bay; the perfect vantage point from which to admire the city lights.

### DAY 18: SIP WHISKY IN SENDAI

Let the bullet train whisk you north to Sendai, the largest city in Tohoku. Transfer to the coast and enjoy a relaxing cruise on Matsushima Bay. Also, visit Zuiganji Temple and the famous Nikka Whisky factory in Sendai.

### DAY 19: EXPLORE HAKODATE

Say goodbye to Honshu Island as you board the bullet train to Hakodate located on Hokkaido, Japan's northernmost island. Visit the Goryokaku Tower, a star shaped fortress, followed by some time at leisure. This evening, journey on the Mt Hakodate Ropeway and enjoy the fabulous views of the city below. Enjoy the onsen facilities at your hotel.

### DAY 20: SAPPORO SIGHTSEEING

Board the bullet train to Sapporo, the final stop on this three-week adventure. Admire the Clock Tower and Odori Park, then stop by the Sapporo Beer Museum and enjoy a tasting or two before this evening's farewell dinner.

### DAY 21: FLY SAPPORO TO IRELAND

Fly to Ireland, arriving home the same or following day.

## JAPAN BY RAIL

## CLASSIC JAPAN

## PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

An all-encompassing journey through Japan, travelling chiefly by bullet train and taking in the highlights of all three main islands: Kyushu, Honshu and Hokkaido.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing days of the week vary during peak season

### 2025 DATES

14 Mar - 03 Apr	€12,990	11 Sep - 01 Oct	SOLD OUT
15 Mar - 04 Apr	€12,990	18 Sep - 08 Oct	€12,620
16 Mar - 05 Apr	SOLD OUT	02 Oct - 22 Oct	€12,990
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# Discover China with Wendy Wu Tours

China is a colossal nation of unrivalled history, incredible sights and fascinating culture. We have the expertise to cover every corner of this extraordinary land; here are some of our favourite destinations...

## WENDY'S TOP 8 CHINA SIGHTS

### 1 BEIJING

Capital city, imperial treasure trove and home to the Forbidden City and the Great Wall of China, Beijing is featured on the majority of China tours.



### 2 XIAN

Xian is best known for the Terracotta Warriors. With its illustrious past and rich history, it's a must-see on most of our China tours.



### 3 SHANGHAI

Once known as 'Paris of the East', Shanghai is China's great metropolis where East and West collide on streets lined with futuristic skyscrapers and 10th-century temples.



### 4 CHENGDU

The gateway to Sichuan province and the home of the cuddly giant panda. As we all love pandas, Chengdu appears on a number of tours.



### 5 YANGTZE RIVER

China's vital waterway brings together a plethora of unmissable sights. A Yangtze River cruise is included on a number of our tours.



### 6 GUILIN

Cruise through the breathtaking landscapes of the Li River to vibrant Yangshuo. Both Guilin and Yangshuo are featured on a number of tours.



### 7 LIJIANG

Located among Yunnan's most dramatic mountain landscapes, Lijiang is well worth a visit, so we've included it on several of our tours.



### 8 LHASA

Tibet's magical capital, a city on the roof of the world, Lhasa features on our Lhasa Extension (page 74).





# A CHINA EXPERIENCE

- 10 DAYS FROM
- PER PERSON €3,720
- FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM IRELAND
- ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Admire Shanghai's bright lights
- ✓ Find the past in Zhujiajiao
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Spend time in traditional hutongs
- ✓ Explore the Summer Palace

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 8 breakfasts, 7 lunches & 8 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Learn about jade, the sacred stone

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Jade has long been a sacred stone to the Chinese people, said to bring fortune and prosperity to those who wear it. Visit a jade factory where you can learn more about its origins, its importance and how it is crafted.
- Tuck into a delicious feast of Beijing's best known dish, Peking Duck, a cherished delicacy that offers a true taste of imperial China and a long-time favourite of locals and visitors alike!
- Venture into Beijing's atmospheric old neighbourhoods, the hutongs, exploring the narrow alleyways and visiting the traditional courtyard house of a family, who will give you a glimpse into their daily life.



Explore the sleepy water town of Zhujiajiao

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO SHANGHAI

Fly overnight to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 3: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Shanghai is China's great metropolis, where east and west collide on streets lined with futuristic skyscrapers and 10th-century temples. Today's explorations include the traditional Yu Garden, a silk factory and a stop in the old town. Also admire the magnificent colonial architecture with a stroll along the Bund. This evening view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise. Dinner tonight will be traditional Shanghaiese cuisine.

### DAY 4: ZHUJIAJIAO WATER TOWN

Visit Zhujiajiao, one of Shanghai's sleepy water towns, built on an old canal system once used to transport goods all over imperial China. The town's narrow alleyways exude old-world charm, whilst the waterways are lined with ancient buildings and crossed by stone bridges. Return to Shanghai and visit the Shanghai Museum and explore People's Square.

### DAY 5: FLY TO XIAN

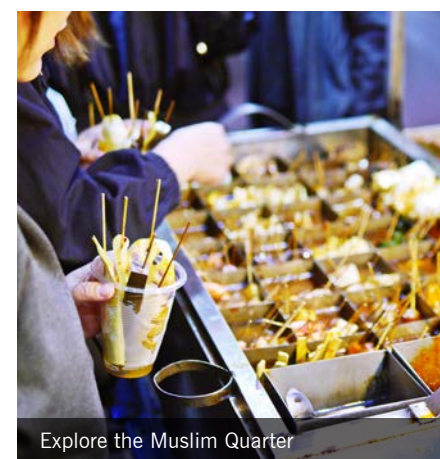
Fly to Xian, the ancient former capital with a history spanning 3,100 years. This afternoon, spend time walking through the atmospheric alleys of the Muslim Quarter, which are lined with food stalls. Here you will gain an insight into the city's fascinating culture and significance as the start of the Silk Road.

### DAY 6: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors and horses who stand in their original formations at the exact location they were excavated. Also visit the workshop of the craftsmen who recreate terracotta warriors in the style of their ancient counterparts. Later, stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th-century ancient city walls that enclose Xian's old town. Tonight, feast on traditional Shui Jiao dumplings before a captivating performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

### DAY 7: BULLET TRAIN TO BEIJING

Board the bullet train to Beijing, China's capital city. End the day watching a thrilling Chinese acrobatic show.



Explore the Muslim Quarter



See the famous Terracotta Army



Walk on the Great Wall

### DAY 8: IMPERIAL BEIJING

Head to Beijing's symbolic heart and stroll across Tiananmen Square, one of the largest public squares in the world. Head into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Passing through the Gate of Supreme Harmony enter a vast complex of over 900 buildings, covering an area of 180 acres. Later, soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape. Enjoy a leisurely stroll through Beijing's hutongs, some dating back 700 years. These narrow alleys are known for their labyrinthine layout, traditional courtyard homes, and a sense of community that has been preserved for centuries. Meet a local family to get a glimpse of old Beijing's rich culture and experience first-hand the unique hutong way of life.

### DAY 9: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the sheer magnificence of the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that it crosses. Stop by a jade factory then spend the afternoon strolling through the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace and the traditional Chinese gardens. Today's sightseeing is the perfect way to build up your appetite for Beijing's most famous delicacy – Peking duck.

### DAY 10: FLY BEIJING TO IRELAND

Fly to Ireland, arriving home the same or following day.



Stroll along the Bund, Shanghai

## A CHINA EXPERIENCE

## CLASSIC CHINA

## PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

This introductory tour offers a glimpse of China's glorious past, fascinating present and bright future. Visit the contrasting cities of Xian, Beijing and Shanghai. The pace is full on, but well worth it.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departure days of the week vary

### 2025 DATES

25 Mar - 24 Mar	€3,720	26 Aug - 25 Aug	€4,220
05 Apr - 04 Apr	€3,850	06 Sep - 05 Sep	€4,100
12 Apr - 11 Apr	€3,850	13 Sep - 12 Sep	€4,100
06 May - 05 May	€3,850	07 Oct - 06 Oct	€4,100
10 May - 09 May	€3,850	11 Oct - 10 Oct	€4,100
17 May - 16 May	€4,470	18 Oct - 17 Oct	€4,600
14 Jun - 13 Jun	€3,970	01 Nov - 31 Oct	€4,100
19 Jul - 18 Jul	€4,220		

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18 Mar - 17 Mar	€4,120	07 Aug - 06 Aug	€4,620
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05 May - 04 May	€4,870	06 Oct - 05 Oct	€4,370
12 May - 11 May	€4,240	13 Oct - 12 Oct	€4,370
10 Jun - 09 Jun	€4,240	17 Oct - 16 Oct	€4,870
08 Jul - 07 Jul	€4,620	07 Nov - 06 Nov	€4,240

## Flight and supplement information

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- Land only from €2,850 (Shanghai - Beijing)
- Single room from €530
- Tipping paid locally RMB 450
- Irish passport holders can travel to China visa-free for up to 30 days until 31 December 2025. Visa fee not included.

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# MAJESTIC YANGTZE

14 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON €4,470

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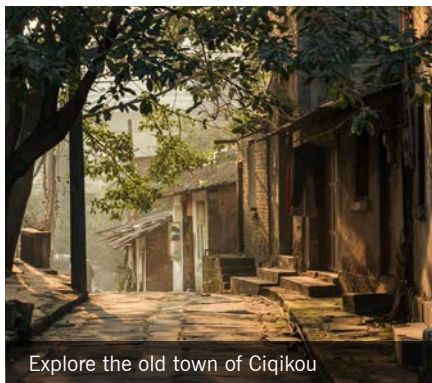
ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Admire Shanghai's bright lights
- ✓ Cruise the Yangtze River
- ✓ Watch giant pandas play
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Discover ancient Ciqikou

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 12 breakfasts, 11 lunches & 12 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Explore the old town of Ciqikou

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Explore the narrow cobbled lanes of Ciqikou's old town, a district known for its porcelain production during the Ming and Qing dynasties as well as its traditional architecture.
- Cruise through Qutang, Wu and Xiling gorges, otherwise known as the Three Gorges, admiring the magnificent scenery from the comfort of your Yangtze River cruise vessel and learning about its epic history from your onboard expert.
- Explore the quirks of local culture in Chengdu at the fascinating 'Matchmaker's Corner', a place where parents search for potential suitors for their children.



Enjoy the beauty of the Yangtze River

## ITINERARY

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### DAY 3: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

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### DAY 4: MODERN PUDONG

Spend the morning seeing the sights of the ultramodern Pudong area, also known as the financial district of the city with its skyscraper buildings. Later, fly to Yichang where you will board the Yangtze River cruise vessel.

### DAYS 5-7: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

A man-made marvel, the Three Gorges Dam showcases a massive feat of engineering. But as you cruise upstream nature takes over, revealing some of the world's most dramatic scenery including the Three Gorges themselves. Over the next three days, take a side trip to the attractive Shennong or Goddess Stream and enjoy various shore excursions.

### DAY 8: HISTORIC CIQIKOU

Disembarking the cruise vessel in Chongqing, explore old Ciqikou, a district known for its porcelain production during the Ming and Qing dynasties. Ciqikou's narrow streets are perfect for a morning stroll to admire the historical, traditional architecture. Transfer to Chengdu and enjoy a delicious Sichuanese meal for dinner with the option of a performance of Sichuan Opera, famous for its 'face-changing'.

### DAY 9: PANDAS

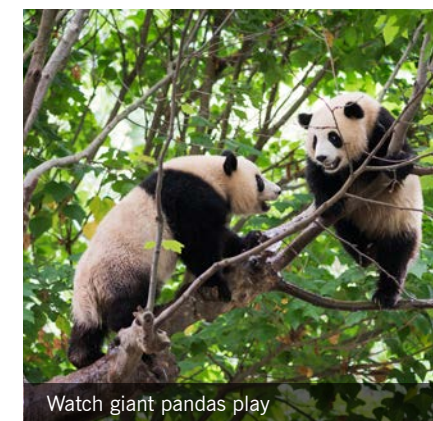
Start your day with a visit to Chengdu's renowned Panda Conservation Base, where you can see and learn about China's cherished pandas in a habitat mirroring their natural surroundings. Explore the museum to gain insights into the reserve's breeding efforts. Later, take a bullet train to the former imperial capital of Xian. This evening a delicious feast of traditional Shui Jiao dumplings and a captivating performance of Tang Dynasty dancing awaits.

### DAY 10: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors and horses. Also visit the workshop of the craftsmen who recreate terracotta warriors in the style of their ancient counterparts. Watch the skilled production process and even buy a souvenir warrior to take home. Later, take a leisurely stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th-century city walls that enclose Xian's old town, then walk through the lively atmospheric alleys of the Muslim Quarter.



Explore the delights of Shanghai



Watch giant pandas play

### DAY 11: BULLET TRAIN TO BEIJING

Board the bullet train to Beijing. China's capital, a treasure trove of sights, beneath layers of modernity this fast-paced mega city hides three millennia worth of tumultuous but glorious history.

### DAY 12: IMPERIAL BEIJING

Head to Tiananmen Square, Beijing's symbolic heart, and into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. Entering through the Gate of Supreme Harmony, you will find a complex full of imperial riches. Also soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape, and end the day watching a Chinese acrobatic show.



Walk on the Great Wall

### DAY 13: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the sheer magnificence of the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that it crosses. Next, visit a jade factory then enjoy the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace as you wander through traditional Chinese gardens. This evening, savour Beijing's best-known delicacy-Peking duck.

### DAY 14: FLY BEIJING TO IRELAND

Fly to Ireland, arriving home the same or following day.

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## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

One of our most popular tours covers the enthralling cities of Shanghai, Xian, Beijing as well as the unforgettable giant pandas of Chengdu. The highlight, though, is a relaxing four-night cruise on the majestic Yangtze River.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing Monday returning Sunday

### 2025 DATES

17 Mar - 30 Mar	€4,470	14 Jul - 27 Jul	€4,850
24 Mar - 06 Apr	€4,470	04 Aug - 17 Aug	€4,850
31 Mar - 13 Apr	€4,600	01 Sep - 14 Sep	€4,850
07 Apr - 20 Apr	€4,600	08 Sep - 21 Sep	€4,720
09 Apr - 22 Apr*	€5,470	10 Sep - 23 Sep*	€5,600
14 Apr - 27 Apr	€4,600	15 Sep - 28 Sep	€4,720
28 Apr - 11 May	€4,600	06 Oct - 19 Oct	€4,720
05 May - 18 May	€4,600	08 Oct - 21 Oct*	€5,600
07 May - 20 May*	€5,470	13 Oct - 26 Oct	€4,720
12 May - 25 May	€4,600	20 Oct - 02 Nov	€4,720
19 May - 01 Jun	€4,600	05 Nov - 18 Nov	€4,600
02 Jun - 15 Jun	€4,600	10 Nov - 23 Nov	€4,600

### 2026 DATES

18 Mar - 31 Mar	€4,870	20 Jul - 02 Aug	€5,370
23 Mar - 05 Apr	€4,870	03 Aug - 16 Aug	€5,370
30 Mar - 12 Apr	€4,990	10 Aug - 23 Aug	€5,370
06 Apr - 19 Apr	€4,990	31 Aug - 13 Sep	€5,120
08 Apr - 21 Apr*	€5,870	07 Sep - 20 Sep	€5,120
13 Apr - 26 Apr	€4,990	09 Sep - 22 Sep*	€5,990
27 Apr - 10 May	€4,990	14 Sep - 27 Sep	€5,120
04 May - 17 May	€5,120	16 Sep - 29 Sep*	€5,120
06 May - 19 May*	€6,120	05 Oct - 18 Oct	€5,120
11 May - 24 May	€4,990	07 Oct - 20 Oct*	€6,120
18 May - 31 May	€4,990	12 Oct - 25 Oct	€5,120
25 May - 07 Jun	€4,990	19 Oct - 01 Nov	€5,120
01 Jun - 14 Jun	€4,990	26 Oct - 08 Nov	€5,120
08 Jun - 21 Jun	€4,990	04 Nov - 17 Nov	€4,990
13 Jul - 26 Jul	€5,370	09 Nov - 22 Nov	€4,990

\* Departing Wednesday returning Tuesday.

### Flight and supplement information

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## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Watch giant pandas play
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Stay in rural Yangshuo
- ✓ Cruise the Yangtze River
- ✓ Admire Shanghai's bright lights

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 14 breakfasts, 13 lunches & 14 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Discover Beijing's hutongs

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Venture into Beijing's atmospheric old neighbourhoods, the hutongs, exploring the narrow alleyways, passing traditional courtyard houses and getting a glimpse of the residents' day to day life.
- The Li River is the perfect vantage point from which to soak up the dramatic beauty of the surrounding karst landscapes, as you'll discover on a peaceful cruise on its gentle waters.
- Savour traditional Shui Jiao (a Xian speciality), delicious, boiled dumplings with a range of savoury fillings served with a dipping sauce of vinegar and soy sauce. As you eat, you'll be immersed in the opulence of the Tang Dynasty through a exuberant dance show.



Explore the amazing landscapes of Yangshuo

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO BEIJING

Fly overnight to Beijing, China's historical capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 3: IMPERIAL BEIJING

This morning, head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square, and stroll into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. A monument to dynasties past, enter through the Gate of Supreme Harmony, into a complex of a thousand rooms and many imperial treasures. Take a leisurely stroll through the narrow alleys of the warren-like hutongs and learn more about living in this traditional area. Later, soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape. This evening, sit down to a traditional dinner of Peking duck.

### DAY 4: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight, the Great Wall, which stretches over 4,000 miles from the Shanhaiguan Pass on the east coast to the Gobi Desert in the west. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that it crosses. You will then visit a jade factory to learn more about this precious stone – there is also the opportunity to buy handcrafted pieces. Jade is revered throughout China, it is said to bring fortune and prosperity to those who wear it. Enjoy the afternoon strolling through the idyllic gardens of the Summer Palace and admire the traditional Chinese landscapes and exquisite architecture.

### DAY 5: TANG DYNASTY DANCING

Board the bullet train to Xian, the ancient former capital. Take a walking tour of the narrow and winding streets of the lively Muslim Quarter and gain an insight into the city's fascinating culture and significance as the start of the Silk Road. In the evening, enjoy a dumpling feast and Tang Dynasty dancing show.

### DAY 6: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors and horses. Also visit the workshop to see where the warriors are intricately recreated in the style of their ancient counterparts and stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th-century city walls that enclose Xian's old town.

### DAY 7: BOARD YOUR CRUISE

Fly to Yichang where you will board your Yangtze River cruise vessel.

### DAYS 8-10: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

A man-made marvel, the Three Gorges Dam showcases a massive feat of engineering. But as you cruise upstream nature takes over, revealing some of the world's most dramatic scenery. Over the next three days prepare for one breathtaking panorama after another, take a side trip to the attractive Shennong or Goddess Stream and enjoy various shore excursions.

### DAY 11: CHONGQING PANDA HOUSE

Disembark from the cruise vessel and visit the Panda House in Chongqing. Later, board the bullet train to Guilin.



Walk on the Great Wall

### DAY 12: LI RIVER CRUISE

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to the charming town of Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view to take your breath away as jagged karst peaks loom over rural scenes of lush greenery, grazing buffalo and local fishermen.

### DAY 13: YANGSHUO

Yangshuo sits in an exquisite rural location, surrounded by landscapes of emerald-green paddy fields and dramatic limestone karsts. Spend the morning exploring the countryside before returning to Guilin by road. Explore the impressive Reed Flute Cave and visit the South China Pearl Factory before stopping for a photo opportunity on the banks of the Li River to meet a cormorant fisherman.

### DAY 14: HUANGPU RIVER CRUISE

Take a walk around the picturesque Ronghu and Shanhu Lake and admire the Sun and Moon pagodas. Fly to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai. This evening, view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise.

### DAY 15: DISCOVER SHANGHAI

Visit the charming Yu Garden, the old town and a silk factory and admire the colonial architecture with a stroll along the Bund. This evening, enjoy some tasty traditional Shanghainese cuisine.

### DAY 16: FLY SHANGHAI TO IRELAND

Fly to Ireland, arriving home the same or following day.

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Discover the Terracotta Warriors

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## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

This hugely popular tour journeys through some of China's most iconic sights from Beijing's Great Wall, Xian's warriors, and picturesque Guilin to the mighty Yangtze River. Expect a busy but fun-filled tour.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing Sunday returning Monday

### 2025 DATES

16 Mar - 31 Mar	€5,220	10 Aug - 25 Aug	€5,600
06 Apr - 21 Apr	€5,220	31 Aug - 15 Sep	€5,600
13 Apr - 28 Apr	€5,350	07 Sep - 22 Sep	€5,600
25 Apr - 10 May	€5,350	05 Sep - 20 Sep	€5,600
27 Apr - 12 May	€5,350	14 Sep - 29 Sep	€5,600
04 May - 19 May	€5,350	19 Sep - 04 Oct	€5,600
09 May - 24 May	€5,350	05 Oct - 20 Oct	€5,600
11 May - 26 May	€5,350	12 Oct - 27 Oct	€5,600
16 May - 31 May*	€6,220	17 Oct - 01 Nov*	€6,350
18 May - 02 Jun	€5,350	19 Oct - 03 Nov	€5,600
25 May - 09 Jun	€5,350	26 Oct - 10 Nov	€5,350
08 Jun - 23 Jun	€5,350	02 Nov - 17 Nov	€5,350
13 Jul - 28 Jul	€5,600	09 Nov - 24 Nov	€5,350
03 Aug - 18 Aug	€5,600		

### 2026 DATES

15 Mar - 30 Mar	€5,620	12 Jul - 27 Jul	€6,120
22 Mar - 06 Apr	€5,620	09 Aug - 24 Aug	€6,120
29 Mar - 13 Apr	€6,620	30 Aug - 14 Sep	€5,990
05 Apr - 20 Apr	€5,740	04 Sep - 19 Sep*	€6,740
12 Apr - 27 Apr	€5,740	06 Sep - 21 Sep	€5,990
24 Apr - 09 May*	€5,740	13 Sep - 28 Sep	€5,990
26 Apr - 11 May	€5,740	18 Sep - 03 Oct*	€5,990
03 May - 18 May	€5,870	04 Oct - 19 Oct	€5,990
10 May - 25 May	€5,870	11 Oct - 26 Oct	€5,990
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19 Jun - 04 Jul*	€5,740	08 Nov - 23 Nov	€5,740

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## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Watch giant pandas play
- ✓ Stay in rural Yangshuo
- ✓ Cruise the Yangtze River
- ✓ Stroll old gardens in Suzhou

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 20 breakfasts, 19 lunches & 20 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Visit a traditional tea house in Chengdu

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- At the heart of a huge tea-producing region and once a stop on the Tea Horse Road, drinking tea is an essential element of life in Chengdu. Visit a traditional tea house to experience the history, customs and the perfect brew.
- Discover the captivating charm of Suzhou as you glide through its tranquil waterways, enjoying a boat ride along the storied Grand Canal, where the essence of the city's rich history and vibrant culture comes to life.
- Spend an evening exploring China's long and fascinating history in a breathtaking show of martial arts, acrobatics and stunning special effects – the fantastic ERA Show at the Shanghai Circus World.



Enjoy a trip down the Li River

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO BEIJING

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### DAY 3: IMPERIAL BEIJING

This morning, head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square and stroll into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City to discover a complex full of imperial riches. Take a leisurely stroll through the narrow alleys of the warren-like hutongs and learn more about living in this traditional area. This evening, sit down to a traditional dinner of Peking duck.

### DAY 4: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Stretching thousands of miles from the Yellow Sea to the Gobi Desert, a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the sheer magnificence of the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that surrounds it. Visit a jade factory then spend the afternoon at the idyllic Summer Palace, wandering through traditional Chinese gardens and seeing the exquisite architecture.

### DAY 5: TEMPLE OF HEAVEN

Spend the morning soaking up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape. Later, take the bullet train to Xian, the ancient former capital.

### DAY 6: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever

since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors and horses. Also visit the Xian Art Ceramics and Lacquer Workshop to see where the warriors are intricately recreated. Tonight, feast on traditional Shui Jiao dumplings and watch a Tang Dynasty dance show.

### DAY 7: ANCIENT CITY WALL

Visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda and take a stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th-century city walls that enclose Xian's old town. Later this afternoon, explore the narrow streets of the atmospheric Muslim Quarter, which are lined with Islamic food stalls. Here, you will gain an insight into the city's fascinating culture and significance as the start of the Silk Road.

### DAY 8: BULLET TRAIN TO CHENGDU

Board the bullet train to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan Province. Tonight, there is an option to see a performance of Sichuan Opera, famous for its 'face-changing'.

### DAY 9: CHENGDU GIANT PANDAS

Visit Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre to see and learn about China's celebrated bears up close in surroundings that mirror their natural habitat. A look around the informative museum gives an overview of the reserve's breeding programme. Later, stroll through the vibrant People's Park with a stop at Matchmaker's Corner, where parents search for worthy suitors for their children. Also stop at a traditional tea house and wander through the Wide and Narrow Alleys. Tonight, dine on delicious Sichuanese food.



See the life-size Terracotta Warriors

### DAY 10: BOARD YOUR CRUISE

Board the bullet train to Yichang to board your Yangtze River cruise vessel, where you will stay for the next four nights.

### DAYS 11-13: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

Visit The Three Gorges Dam which showcases a massive feat of engineering. As you cruise upstream, nature takes over revealing some of the world's most dramatic scenery including the Three Gorges themselves. Over the next few days prepare for one breathtaking panorama after another. Enjoy a side trip to the attractive Shennong or Goddess Stream, as well as various shore excursions.

### DAY 14: BULLET TRAIN TO GUILIN

Disembark in Chongqing and then board the bullet train to the beautiful city of Guilin.

### DAY 15: LI RIVER CRUISE

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to the charming town of Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view to take your breath away as jagged karst peaks loom over rural scenes of lush greenery, grazing buffalo and local fishermen.

### DAY 16: YANGSHUO

Yangshuo sits in an exquisite rural location, surrounded by landscapes of emerald-green paddy fields and dramatic limestone karsts. Spend the morning exploring the countryside and stop on the banks of the Li River for a photo opportunity with a cormorant fisherman. This afternoon is at leisure where you can choose from the many optional activities available including cycling, bamboo rafting and hiking.



Visit the Humble Administrator's Garden

### DAY 17: DISCOVER GUILIN

Travel back to Guilin and enjoy a walk around Ronghu Lake and Shanhu Lake to admire the Sun and Moon pagodas – two towering examples of traditional Chinese-Buddhist architecture. Discover the colourful stalagmites and stalactites of Reed Flute Cave and continue to the South China Pearl Factory to see the fascinating 1,700-year history of pearling in the South China Sea with displays and demonstrations.

### DAY 18: FLY TO SHANGHAI

Fly to the exuberant and cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. Later, spend some time in the city's Xintiandi area, a vibrant entertainment district made up of traditional 19th-century Shikumen architecture.

### DAY 19: HISTORIC SUZHOU

Travel to Suzhou. Suzhou is renowned for its gardens – visit one of its finest, the Humble Administrator's Garden. Cruise the Grand Canal before returning to Shanghai for a dinner of Shanghaiese cuisine.

### DAYS 20-21: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Shanghai is China's great metropolis, where east and west collide. Visit Nanjing Road, People's Square and admire the architecture on the Bund. Later, view the city from the Huangpu River on a cruise. The next day visit a silk factory, the classical Yu Garden and stop in the old town before exploring futuristic Pudong. Tonight, enjoy the ERA acrobatic show.

### DAY 22: FLY SHANGHAI TO IRELAND

Fly to Ireland, arriving home the same or following day.

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## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

From the Great Wall and Terracotta Warriors, to cruising on the Yangtze and the breathtaking Li River, this tour encompasses China's most magnificent sights as well as spending a little extra time in its most exciting cities.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departure days of the week vary

### 2025 DATES

20 Mar - 10 Apr	€5,600	17 Jul - 07 Aug	€6,100
27 Mar - 17 Apr	€5,600	07 Aug - 28 Aug	€6,100
03 Apr - 24 Apr	€6,970	04 Sep - 25 Sep	€6,100
10 Apr - 01 May	€5,720	11 Sep - 02 Oct	€6,100
17 Apr - 08 May	€5,720	18 Sep - 09 Oct	€6,100
08 May - 29 May	€5,720	09 Oct - 30 Oct	€6,100
22 May - 12 Jun	€5,720	23 Oct - 13 Nov	€6,100
12 Jun - 03 Jul	€5,850	30 Oct - 20 Nov	€7,220

### 2026 DATES

14 Mar - 04 Apr	€6,240	18 Jul - 08 Aug	€6,740
23 Mar - 13 Apr	€6,240	08 Aug - 29 Aug	€6,740
06 Apr - 27 Apr	€7,740	31 Aug - 21 Sep	€6,620
11 Apr - 02 May	€6,370	07 Sep - 28 Sep	€6,620
20 Apr - 11 May	€6,370	12 Sep - 03 Oct	€6,620
04 May - 25 May	€6,370	05 Oct - 26 Oct	€6,620
11 May - 01 Jun	€6,370	12 Oct - 02 Nov	€6,620
18 May - 08 Jun	€6,370	19 Oct - 09 Nov	€7,990
13 Jun - 04 Jul	€6,490	26 Oct - 16 Nov	€6,620

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# CHINA BY RAIL

22 DAYS FROM

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ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Stay atop Yellow Mountain
- ✓ Discover old China in Dali
- ✓ Cruise the Li River
- ✓ Watch giant pandas play
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 20 breakfasts, 19 lunches & 20 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Journey by high-speed bullet train

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Glide through China's diverse landscapes aboard bullet trains, experiencing speed, comfort, and modernity. Connect with locals and witness the country's dynamic transformation from the window.
- Spend the night atop Huangshan, the Yellow Mountain, to admire the beauty of its scenery, acclaimed in Chinese art and literature for centuries, in the different lights of the day.
- Visit the village of Xizhou where, as well as browsing the laden stalls of the bustling, local market, you'll be able to see members of the Naxi minority community in their colourful, traditional dress.



Admire views from Yellow Mountain

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO SHANGHAI

Fly overnight to Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 3: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Shanghai is China's great metropolis, where east and west collide on streets lined with futuristic skyscrapers and 10th-century temples. Today's explorations include the Yu Garden, the old town and a silk factory. Admire the magnificent colonial architecture with a stroll along the Bund, before a trip on the super-fast electromagnetic Maglev train. This evening, view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise and dine on delicious Shanghainese cuisine.

### DAY 4: YELLOW MOUNTAIN

Embark on a journey aboard the bullet train to Tunxi, and then ascend to the summit of Mount Huang, commonly known as Yellow Mountain, via cable car for an overnight stay atop the mountain. Enjoy the spectacular views of the oddly shaped peaks, rock formations, thousand-year-old pine trees and ever-changing mist, all of which have inspired local artists for centuries. Spend the afternoon exploring this stunning UNESCO World Heritage Site.

### DAY 5: TUNXI ANCIENT TOWN

Take the cable car down to the base of the mountain and explore the atmospheric town of Tunxi. The narrow cobbled streets are lined with pretty little shops selling anything from local snacks and tea, to paintbrushes, cultural relics and intricate wood carvings.

### DAY 6: ORANGE ISLAND

Journey by bullet train to Changsha, a vibrant metropolis steeped in history and surrounded by natural beauty. Explore the bamboo and sculpture gardens of Orange Island, where a towering 32-metre statue of Chairman Mao Zedong stands. As dusk falls, indulge in the lively night market's local delicacies, a taste of Changsha's culture.

### DAY 7: BULLET TRAIN TO GUILIN

Step into history at the Yuelu Academy, the historical hub of learning where ancient wisdom thrives. Then embark on a scenic journey as you traverse magnificent landscapes to reach Guilin's natural wonders.

### DAY 8: DISCOVER GUILIN

Embark on a tour to Elephant Trunk Hill, the iconic rock formation resembling an elephant drinking from the Li River. This afternoon, visit a pearl factory before setting sail on a serene cruise, navigating the network of canals and walkways of the Two Rivers and Four Lakes.

### DAY 9: LI RIVER CRUISE

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to charming Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view to take your breath away as jagged karst peaks loom over rural scenes of lush greenery, grazing buffalo and local fishermen. Disembark and wander Yangshuo's cobbled streets and vibrant markets. This evening, you have the option of enjoying the magical Sanjie Liu night show.

### DAY 10: BULLET TRAIN TO KUNMING

Board the bullet train to Kunming, capital of Yunnan province.



Discover Baisha village



Visit Chengdu's Panda Centre

### DAY 11: EXPLORE KUNMING

Meander through the formations of the UNESCO-listed Stone Forest, where towering limestone pillars stand tree-like in a fascinating illusion of woodland. Return to Kunming and in the evening, sample the local delicacy, Across the Bridge noodles.

### DAY 12: DALI'S ANCIENT TOWN

Board the bullet train to Dali, a charming town that offers a peek at bygone China. Discover Dali's historic quarter and magnificent, age-old Three Pagodas before an evening stroll through the vibrant Foreigners' Street.

### DAY 13: ENCHANTING DALI

Today, explore the village of Xizhou to browse its local market, visit the Yan family home and watch a tie-dye demonstration. Enjoy a relaxing cruise on the mirror-like waters of Erhai Lake, admiring the spectacular scenery provided by the Cang Mountains.

### DAY 14: LIJIANG OLD QUARTER

Board the bullet train to Lijiang. Discover the old quarter; the quintessential Chinese 'old town' and wander the jumble of cobbled streets, traditional wooden buildings and rustic stone bridges.

### DAY 15: JADE DRAGON SNOW MOUNTAIN

The Jade Dragon Snow Mountain comprises of several peaks, the tallest of which soars to 5,500 metres. Taking a cable car, explore one of the gorgeous high meadows and enjoy the amazing vistas. Later, visit Baisha old town to view its spectacular Ming Dynasty frescoes and Baisha village, a settlement of the Naxi minority people.

### DAY 16: TRAVEL TO CHENGDU

Fly to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan Province.

### DAY 17: GIANT PANDAS

Visit Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Base to see and learn about these celebrated bears up close in surroundings that mirror their natural habitat. Take the bullet train to Xian, the starting point of the fabled Silk Road with a history spanning 3,100 years.

### DAY 18: TANG DYNASTY DANCING

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors and horses. Also visit the workshop to see where the warriors are intricately recreated in the style of their ancient counterparts and stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th-century city walls that enclose Xian's old town. In the evening, enjoy a dumpling feast and Tang Dynasty dancing show.

### DAYS 19-20: IMPERIAL BEIJING

Board the bullet train to Beijing, China's historical capital. The next day, head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square, and stroll into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. Entering through the Gate of Supreme Harmony, you will find a complex full of imperial riches. Later, soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, before learning about evolution of China's railway systems at the China Railway Museum. The day's sightseeing is the perfect way to build up your appetite for Beijing's most famous delicacy – Peking duck.

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## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Embark on a modern odyssey across China, by bullet train! Mixing urban charm with natural grandeur, be captivated by the beauty of Mount Huang and the Li River, and discover the cities of Shanghai, Beijing, Kunming and Xian.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing Friday returning Friday

### 2025 DATES

04 Apr - 25 Apr	€6,970	10 Oct - 31 Oct	€6,970
09 May - 30 May	€6,970	17 Oct - 07 Nov	€6,970
22 Aug - 12 Sep	€6,970	07 Nov - 28 Nov	€6,970
05 Sep - 26 Sep	€6,970		

### 2026 DATES

06 Mar - 27 Mar	€7,370	20 Aug - 10 Sep*	€7,490
02 Apr - 23 Apr*	€7,490	03 Sep - 24 Sep*	€7,490
07 May - 28 May*	€7,490	08 Oct - 29 Oct*	€7,490
21 May - 11 Jun*	€7,490	15 Oct - 05 Nov*	€7,490

\* Departing Thursday returning Thursday.

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on Dublin departures
- Regional Ireland departures available
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from €6,100 (Shanghai - Beijing)
- Single room from €1,440
- Tipping paid locally RMB 1,010
- Irish passport holders can travel to China visa-free for up to 30 days until 31 December 2025. Visa fee not included.

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### DAY 21: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the sheer magnificence of the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that surrounds it. Visit a jade factory then spend the afternoon at the idyllic Summer Palace, wandering through traditional Chinese gardens and seeing the exquisite architecture.

### DAY 22: FLY BEIJING TO IRELAND

Transfer to the airport for your flight back to Ireland, arriving home the same or following day.



Explore Jade Dragon Snow Mountain



# ANCIENT EMPIRES OF CHINA & JAPAN

20 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON €9,340

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM IRELAND

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Discover historic Beijing
- ✓ See the Terracotta Warriors
- ✓ Admire Shanghai's bright lights
- ✓ Reflect in Hiroshima
- ✓ Admire Kyoto's temples
- ✓ Explore bustling Tokyo

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 18 breakfasts, 17 lunches & 18 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



See the historic hutongs of Beijing

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Explore the narrow, atmospheric alleyways of Beijing's old hutongs. Visit a family in their home, a traditional courtyard residence, to get a better idea of the culture and history of these neighbourhoods.
- Wander through the delightful Bikan Historical Quarter, stretched along Kurashiki's Edo Period canals, taking in the picturesque scenes of weeping willows, old stone bridges and lovely, traditional architecture.
- Ascend to the observation deck of the new Orizuru Tower. Rising high above Hiroshima it offers beautiful views over the Peace Memorial Park, the A-Bomb Dome and the city as a whole.



Visit the beautiful Osaka Castle

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO BEIJING

Fly overnight to China's historical capital, Beijing. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 3: WALK ON THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate the sheer magnificence of the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that surrounds it. In the afternoon, enjoy the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace. End the day enjoying a traditional Peking Duck dinner.

### DAY 4: EXPLORE THE FORBIDDEN CITY

Begin the day soaking up the harmonious ambience of the glorious Temple of Heaven, a series of imperial religious buildings, renowned for its intricate carvings, colourful patterns, complex designs and architectural styles. Next, take a leisurely stroll through a traditional hutong neighbourhood and visit a family at home to learn about life living in the hutongs. Later, head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square, before entering the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City to explore this complex full of imperial riches.

### DAY 5: TRAVEL TO XIAN

Board the bullet train to Xian. Visit the bustling Muslim Quarter before feasting on a traditional Shui Jiao dumpling dinner and a lively Tang Dynasty dance show.

### DAY 6: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first Emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever

since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors, followed by a visit to the workshop of the craftsmen who recreate them. Later, stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th-century city walls that enclose Xian's old town.

### DAY 7: FLY TO GUILIN

Fly to the beautiful city of Guilin.

### DAY 8: VISIT REED FLUTE CAVE

Begin today at the colourful stalagmites and stalactites of Reed Flute Cave and visit the South China Pearl Factory. Later, stroll around Ronghu Lake and admire the Sun and Moon Pagodas – two towering examples of traditional Chinese Buddhist architecture.

### DAY 9: CRUISE THE LI RIVER

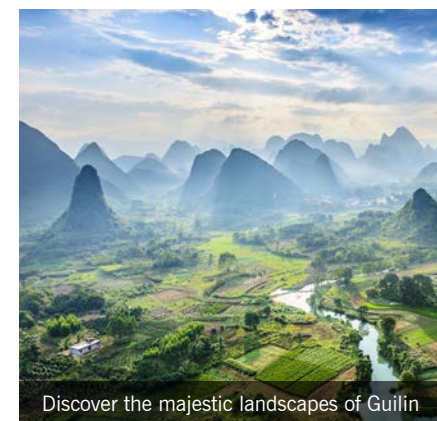
Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to the charming town of Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view to take your breath away as jagged karst peaks tower over rural scenes of lush greenery, grazing buffalo and local fishermen. Here, enjoy some time strolling along West Street and visit the local markets.

### DAY 10: FLY TO SHANGHAI

Return to Guilin by road, then fly to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai.

### DAY 11: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Today's explorations include the traditional Yu Garden, a stroll through the old town and learning about the age-old silk production process at a silk factory. Enjoy time at leisure to explore the Bund and Nanjing Road. This evening view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise.



Discover the majestic landscapes of Guilin



Visit the manicured gardens of Korakuen

### DAY 12: GOODBYE CHINA, HELLO JAPAN

It's time to say goodbye to China and hello to Japan! Fly to the vibrant city of Osaka.

### DAY 13: OSAKA CASTLE

Explore Osaka Castle, take a short cruise along the Yodogawa River and stroll through vibrant Dotonbori, a restaurant mecca, where you can sample local delicacies for lunch. The remainder of the day is free for you to explore this fascinating city.

### DAY 14: DISCOVER OKAYAMA & KURASHIKI

Transfer by bullet train to Okayama and visit Korakuen Garden, one of the 'Three Great Gardens of Japan'. Continue to Kurashiki to explore the beautifully-preserved Bikan Historical Quarter, where the streets along the banks of the Kurashiki River are lined with white-walled kominka (traditional houses). Continue to Hiroshima, a vibrant and forward-thinking city.

### DAY 15: EXPLORE HIROSHIMA & MIYAJIMA

Hop on a ferry to the holy island of Miyajima and visit Itsukushima Shrine. Return to Hiroshima and find a moment to reflect at the Peace Memorial Park and Museum, which pays homage to the victims of the 1945 atomic bomb. Later, ascend to the observation deck of Orizuru Tower and enjoy the panoramic views.

### DAY 16: TRAVEL TO KYOTO

Transfer by bullet train to Kyoto. Capital for 1,000 years, this enchanting city is the epitome of traditional Japan. Visit Ryoanji Temple, home to Japan's most famous Zen garden and Kinkakuji Temple, also known as the 'Golden Pavilion'.

### DAY 17: EXPLORE KYOTO

Visit Fushimi Inari Shrine, remarkable for its 10,000 torii gates and then head to Nishiki Market, also known as 'Kyoto's Kitchen' with its lively open-air market specialising in all things food! Also visit a restored wooden Japanese townhouse to experience the rituals of a tea ceremony with a tea master and try your hand at the traditional art of origami.

### DAY 18: BULLET TRAIN TO HAKONE

Transfer by bullet train to Hakone. Upon arrival, enjoy a boat trip on Lake Ashi before riding the Komagatake Ropeway cable car. Savour views of the surrounding landscape and, weather permitting, the breathtaking cone of Mount Fuji. Later, continue to Tokyo, Japan's iconic capital.

### DAY 19: CONTRASTS OF TOKYO

Tokyo is the ultimate 24-hour city, but look behind its frantic, high-tech frontage and you will find plenty of tranquil backstreets and old temples to explore. Begin at the observation deck of the 634-metre Skytree, before wandering through the old district of Asakusa. Stop to explore the ancient Buddhist Sensoji Temple and drive past the Imperial Palace Plaza. Later, soak up the atmosphere at the peaceful Meiji Jingu Shrine. End your tour with a dinner cruise on the Tokyo Bay.

### DAY 20: FLY TOKYO TO IRELAND

Fly to Ireland, arriving home the same or following day.

CLASSIC  
CHINA & JAPAN

PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

The ultimate tour for those wishing to combine the very best of two ancient nations. Join us on an incredible journey from Beijing to Tokyo by road, boat, rail and air on this epic three-week tour!

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing Monday returning Saturday

### 2025 DATES

17 Mar - 05 Apr	SOLD OUT	13 Oct - 01 Nov	SOLD OUT
05 May - 24 May	SOLD OUT	20 Oct - 08 Nov	€9,340
08 Sep - 27 Sep	SOLD OUT	27 Oct - 15 Nov	€9,340
06 Oct - 25 Oct	€9,470		

### 2026 DATES

09 Mar - 28 Mar	€10,490	11 May - 30 May	€10,240
16 Mar - 04 Apr	€10,490	07 Sep - 26 Sep	€10,240
23 Mar - 11 Apr	€10,490	14 Sep - 03 Oct	€10,240
30 Mar - 18 Apr	€10,490	05 Oct - 24 Oct	€10,240
06 Apr - 25 Apr	€10,490	12 Oct - 31 Oct	€10,240
04 May - 23 May	€10,240	02 Nov - 21 Nov	€10,240

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on Dublin departures
- Regional Ireland departures available
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from €8,340 (Beijing - Tokyo)
- Single room from €1,590
- Tipping paid locally RMB520
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Gaze at the Terracotta Army



# Discover Southeast Asia with Wendy Wu Tours

Southeast Asia is a dream destination for many travellers – with captivating scenery, tranquil temples and sensational food, it's easy to see why. Uncover countless cultures, beautiful landscapes and fascinating history in this most enchanting region.

## WENDY'S TOP 8 SOUTHEAST ASIA SIGHTS

### 1 HALONG BAY

Cruise on Halong Bay's tranquil waters and soak up the beauty of its foliage-cloaked islands on any Vietnam itinerary.



### 2 ANGKOR

The Angkor temples exude a rare majesty that few places on the planet can match – admire them on any itinerary featuring Cambodia.



### 3 MEKONG DELTA

Explore the lush Mekong Delta, meeting the locals and experiencing the culture, as part of a deluxe 4-night cruise included on our Classic Mekong and Mekong Explorer tours (pages 50-53).



### 4 LUANG PRABANG

Luang Prabang is one of the most captivating towns in Asia and is a place of great spiritual and natural beauty, which can be visited on our Laos Extension (page 81).



### 5 CHIANG MAI

The culturally rich city of Chiang Mai is an excellent destination for trekking, rafting, meeting hill tribes or visiting elephant sanctuaries. Visit on our Thailand Highlights tour (page 54).



### 6 SINGAPORE

Experience Singapore and its incomparable Sky Garden, discover the secrets of the Supertree Grove and marvel at its towering vertical gardens. Enquire about our Singapore Stopover packages.



### 7 HOI AN

Immerse yourself in Hoi An's charming lantern-lit streets, historic architecture, delicious cuisine and a serene coastal ambiance.



### 8 MUI NE

Escape to Mui Ne, a coastal paradise with golden sand dunes, water sports, seafood delights and a laid-back beachfront vibe. Extend your Vietnam tour (page 80).





# VIETNAM AT A GLANCE

12 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON €3,870

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM IRELAND

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Explore fascinating Saigon
- ✓ Discover the Cu Chi Tunnels
- ✓ Drift along the Mekong Delta
- ✓ Be inspired by charming Hoi An
- ✓ Marvel at Hue's Imperial Citadel
- ✓ Wake to a Halong Bay sunrise



Explore the waters of the Mekong Delta

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 10 breakfasts, 9 lunches & 10 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees included for Irish passports holders



Visit Tra Que Village

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Try your hand at ancient cultivation techniques with members of the local farming community in Tra Que village and enjoy a cooking demonstration of a regional speciality.
- Explore the vibrant streets of Hanoi's Old Quarter by cyclo, stopping off at a café to sample a traditionally-made, local speciality, egg coffee.
- Experience charming Hoi An, including a visit to its bustling market and an old merchant's house. This is wonderfully laid-back and wilfully traditional place, whose streets are a delight to wander.

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO SAIGON

Fly overnight to Saigon, Vietnam's most evocative city. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 3: DISCOVER SAIGON & CU CHI

Spend the morning discovering the guerrilla warfare tactics of the Viet Cong at the famous Cu Chi Tunnels. Stop for lunch at an organic farm before returning to Saigon for an afternoon city tour. This exuberant city is driving Vietnam forward into the modern world, but it is also a treasure trove of fascinating heritage. See the colonial Notre Dame Cathedral and visit the Central Post Office, the Reunification Palace, and the emotive War Remnants Museum.

### DAY 4: MEKONG DELTA

Journey to Ben Tre to take a cruise on the Mekong. Paddle through the maze of palm-lined canals and get a glimpse of daily life on the Mekong Delta. Visit a bee farm for a taste of honey tea before enjoying a typical Mekong lunch. Return to Saigon, stopping en route to explore the historic Vinh Trang Pagoda and its beautiful gardens.

### DAY 5: HISTORIC HOI AN

Fly to Danang and transfer to Hoi An. This afternoon, take a walking tour of this charming town – a wonderfully laid back and wilfully traditional place, whose streets are a delight to wander. Visit an old merchant's house, Quan Cong Temple, the elaborate Japanese Bridge and the bustling market. Stop en route to visit Reaching Out, a social enterprise craft workshop employing staff with disabilities.

### DAY 6: TRA QUE VILLAGE

Head out into the countryside to Tra Que, a small farming community that supplies many hotels and restaurants in the area with vegetables and herbs. Here you can enjoy the lush green countryside, stroll through the gardens to see the farmers at work and try your hand at their traditional techniques. This afternoon is at leisure to shop, explore, or perhaps head to the beach.

### DAY 7: IMPERIAL HUE

Leave Hoi An for Hue, taking a scenic route over the Hai Van Pass. The epitome of Vietnam's dynastic past, Hue is a dignified and scholarly city. Visit the imposing Imperial Citadel and Forbidden Purple City. Once the stronghold of the Nguyen emperors, the citadel's atmosphere still retains the grandeur of its history. Take a cruise on the Perfume River before taking a visit to the Thien Mu Pagoda.

### DAY 8: ROYAL TOMBS & FLY TO HANOI

Visit the UNESCO World Heritage Royal Tomb of Minh Mang, a complex of 40 monuments set in surroundings of gardens and pools. This afternoon, fly to Hanoi, Vietnam's charming capital.

### DAY 9: EXPLORE HANOI

Sightseeing today includes a wander through the Ho Chi Minh Quarter, learning about this major figure of Vietnamese history. See his Mausoleum and the Presidential Palace, along with the humble Stilt House he called home. Also visit One Pillar Pagoda and the Confucian Temple of Literature. End the day's explorations with a cyclo tour through the Old Quarter and enjoy a flavourful Vietnamese egg coffee.



Explore Hue's imperial past



Cruise magnificent Halong Bay

### DAY 10: HALONG BAY CRUISE

Board a traditional cruise ship on Halong Bay and cruise out into its tranquil scenery. A UNESCO World Heritage Site and a vision of awe-inspiring beauty, it's easy to see why it is one of Vietnam's most beloved destinations. Enjoy excursions such as kayaking or exploring island caves before returning to the ship for dinner.

### DAY 11: RETURN TO HANOI

Rise early this morning for a beautiful sunrise over the bay. Return to Hanoi after brunch on deck and enjoy an afternoon at leisure.

### DAY 12: FLY HANOI TO IRELAND

Fly to Ireland, arriving home the following day.

## EXTEND YOUR STAY...



### SAPA EXTENSION

4 days from €980pp

### BANGKOK STOPOVER

4 days from €730pp

### HONG KONG GLIMPSES STOPOVER

3 days from €480pp

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Visit the Confucian Temple of Literature in Hanoi

## VIETNAM AT A GLANCE

## CLASSIC VIETNAM

PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Have limited time but still want to experience Vietnam's top sights? With this tour you can experience all the key highlights, with visits to charming Hoi An, historic Hue, spectacular Halong Bay and more.

## PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Departing Tuesday returning Saturday

### 2025 DATES

14 Jan - 25 Jan	€4,120	23 Sep - 04 Oct	€3,870
04 Feb - 15 Feb	€4,120	07 Oct - 18 Oct	€3,990
11 Feb - 22 Feb	€4,120	14 Oct - 25 Oct	€3,990
18 Feb - 01 Mar	€4,370	21 Oct - 01 Nov	€3,990
04 Mar - 15 Mar	SOLD OUT	28 Oct - 08 Nov	€3,990
11 Mar - 22 Mar	€4,120	04 Nov - 15 Nov	€4,120
18 Mar - 29 Mar	SOLD OUT	11 Nov - 22 Nov	€4,120
25 Mar - 05 Apr	€4,120	18 Nov - 29 Nov	€4,120
01 Apr - 12 Apr	SOLD OUT	25 Nov - 06 Dec	€4,120
29 Jul - 09 Aug	€3,990		

### 2026 DATES

13 Jan - 24 Jan	€4,240	22 Sep - 03 Oct	€3,990
20 Jan - 31 Jan	€4,240	06 Oct - 17 Oct	€4,120
03 Feb - 14 Feb	€4,240	13 Oct - 24 Oct	€4,120
24 Feb - 07 Mar	€4,620	20 Oct - 31 Oct	€4,120
03 Mar - 14 Mar	€4,240	27 Oct - 07 Nov	€4,120
10 Mar - 21 Mar	€4,240	03 Nov - 14 Nov	€4,240
17 Mar - 28 Mar	€4,240	10 Nov - 21 Nov	€4,240
31 Mar - 11 Apr	€4,240	17 Nov - 28 Nov	€4,240
28 Jul - 08 Aug	€4,370		

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on Dublin departures
- Regional Ireland departures available
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from €2,290 (Saigon - Hanoi)
- Single room from €330
- Tipping paid locally US\$65

Dedicated solos departure

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# VIETNAM PANORAMA

18 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON €4,370

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM IRELAND

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Visit Cai Rang floating market
- ✓ Ride Dalat's vintage train
- ✓ Swim in stunning Nha Trang
- ✓ Discover the past of Quy Nhon
- ✓ Wander charming Hoi An
- ✓ Marvel at Hue's Imperial Citadel
- ✓ Cruise spectacular Halong Bay

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 16 breakfasts, 15 lunches & 16 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees included for Irish passports holders



Watch the 'Quintessence of Tonkin' show

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Take your seats for 'the Quintessence of Tonkin', a spectacular open-air show performed on a lake-turned-stage by over 250 performers. Uncover the rich culture and history of northern Vietnam through music, song, dance and even dragon-boat racing!
- Explore the vibrant streets of Hanoi's Old Quarter by cyclo, stopping off at a café to sample a traditionally-made, local speciality, egg coffee.
- Cruise lazily through the crystal-clear waters of Nha Trang Bay passing amongst beach-fringed islands, stopping off at small fishing villages and, if you feel like it, taking a dip in the balmy waters yourself.



Explore Central Vietnam's stunning coastal towns

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO SAIGON

Fly overnight to Saigon, Vietnam's largest and most evocative city. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 3: VISIT THE CU CHI TUNNELS

Visit the Cu Chi Tunnels, a hidden network of Viet Cong tunnels, bunkers and field hospitals used in the Vietnam War. Afterwards, enjoy a refreshing lunch at an organic farm. This afternoon, return to Saigon to explore its seamless blend of past and present. See Notre Dame Cathedral and visit the Central Post Office; dramatic legacies of a colonial past. Spend time at the Reunification Palace and the emotive War Remnants Museum.

### DAY 4: CRUISE THE MEKONG DELTA

Head west to Ben Tre to take a cruise through the Mekong Delta. This area is known as the 'Rice Basket of Vietnam'. Paddle through the palm-lined canals and visit a local bee farm for some honey tea. Enjoy a typical Mekong lunch before continuing to Can Tho, where we spend the night.



Visit Dalat's Flower Gardens

### DAY 5: EXPLORE FLOATING MARKETS

Visit the Cai Rang floating market to see the goods on sale and learn how vermicelli rice noodles are made. Return to Saigon.

### DAY 6: TRAVEL TO DALAT

Head up into the highlands to reach the hill town of Dalat, a former colonial retreat beloved for its cooler climate and picturesque scenery. En route, stop at a tea plantation to hear about tea cultivation in Bao Loc.

### DAY 7: THE CITY OF FLOWERS

Visit the Domaine de Marie Church, the Flower Gardens and an embroidery workshop. Later, board a vintage open-air train for a journey to the countryside hamlet of Trai Mat. End the day with a local coffee by Xuan Huong lake.

### DAY 8: TRAVEL TO NHA TRANG

Today, take the winding road down from the highlands and along the coast to Nha Trang, Vietnam's beach capital. Take to the turquoise waters for a cruise around the bay's many islands, and stop off to enjoy a swim in the balmy waters.

### DAY 9: VISIT THE CHAM TOWERS

Wander Dam market and visit the Po Nagar Cham Towers. Continue on to the seaside city of Quy Nhon, where we spend the night.

### DAY 10: VISIT SON MY

The Son My area saw one of the most horrific crimes of the Vietnam War – the My Lai massacre. Pay respects at the memorial placed in honour of these unarmed civilian victims and hear their story before continuing to Hoi An.



Cruise the waters of the magnificent Halong Bay

### DAY 11: EXPLORE HOI AN ON FOOT

Take a morning walking tour of charming Hoi An – a wonderfully laid back and wilfully traditional town that has managed to retain the charms of a bygone era. Visit a historic family home, the Japanese Bridge, a Chinese temple and the market before an afternoon at leisure.

### DAY 12: SEE THE ROYAL TOMB

Take the scenic route to Hue over the Hai Van Pass. Once the seat of the Nguyen emperors, this scholarly city retains the majesty of its imperial past. Visit the Royal Tomb of Emperor Minh Mang, a complex of over 40 monuments surrounded by pools and gardens.

### DAY 13: HUE'S IMPERIAL CITADEL

Explore the imposing Imperial Citadel and the Forbidden Purple City within. Cruise along the Perfume River to visit An Hien House and the seven-storey Thien Mu Pagoda.

### DAY 14: OLD QUARTER CYCLO TOUR

Take a quick flight to Hanoi, Vietnam's charming capital. Enjoy a cyclo tour of the atmospheric Old Quarter. Try a Hanoi speciality – egg coffee – before visiting the Ethnology Museum and exploring its life-size tribal longhouses.

### DAY 15: DISCOVER HANOI

Explore the story of Ho Chi Minh on today's walking tour. See his Mausoleum and Presidential Palace, and visit the Humble House on Stilts he called home. Later, visit the One Pillar Pagoda and the beautiful Temple of Literature.

### DAY 16: CRUISE HALONG BAY

This morning, embark on a cruise through the awe-inspiring beauty of Halong Bay. Swim, kayak or visit one of the bay's many caves before spending a night on board.

### DAY 17: RETURN TO HANOI

Cruise back to port after brunch. On your final evening in Hanoi, attend the Quintessence of Tonkin show, a spectacular open-air performance celebrating the rich history of northern Vietnam.

### DAY 18: FLY HANOI TO IRELAND

Fly to Ireland, arriving home the following day.

## EXTEND YOUR STAY...



### BANGKOK STOPOVER

4 days from €730pp

### LAOS EXTENSION

5 days from €1,190pp

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## VIETNAM PANORAMA

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## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

This all-encompassing tour not only showcases Vietnam's highlights, but also allows extra time to discover the rich history of the lesser-visited Highlands and South Central Coast.



See tea plantations in the highlands

## PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Departing Sunday returning Wednesday

### 2025 DATES

09 Feb - 26 Feb	€4,490	28 Sep - 15 Oct	€4,370
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27 Jul - 13 Aug	€4,370		

### 2026 DATES

25 Jan - 11 Feb	€4,740	26 Jul - 12 Aug	€4,620
22 Feb - 11 Mar	€4,740	27 Sep - 14 Oct	€4,620
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29 Mar - 15 Apr	€4,740	15 Nov - 02 Dec	€4,740

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- Single room from €820
- Tipping paid locally US\$65

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# ANGKOR TO THE BAY

17 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON €5,870

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM IRELAND

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Be inspired by spectacular Angkor temples
- ✓ See the local life in Tonle Sap
- ✓ Visit captivating Phnom Penh
- ✓ Learn age-old farming techniques in Hoi An
- ✓ Marvel at Hue's Imperial Citadel
- ✓ Stroll Hanoi's atmospheric alleyways
- ✓ Cruise the stunning Halong Bay

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 15 breakfasts, 14 lunches & 15 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees included for Irish passports holders



Discover local life on Tonle Sap

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Cruise to bustling Kampong Kleng, an off-the-beaten-track floating village on Tonle Sap Lake, where you'll get an authentic look at unique local life.
- Try your hand at ancient cultivation techniques with members of the local farming community in Tra Que village and enjoy a cooking demonstration of a regional speciality.
- Take your seats for 'the Quintessence of Tonkin', a spectacular open-air show that perfectly showcases the rich history of Vietnam's northern river delta through talented dancers, musicians and artists.

Admire the majestic Angkor temples

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO SIEM REAP

Fly overnight to Siem Reap. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 3: TONLE SAP LAKE

Visit Beng Mealea, a mysterious temple overrun by the jungle. Enjoy a cruise on Tonle Sap Lake, seeing the floating houses here and learning about the way of life in these lake communities, and visit a local craftsman organisation creating Cambodian arts and crafts.

### DAY 4: EXPLORE ANGKOR

The seat of the Khmer Empire between the 9th and 15th centuries, the Angkor complex includes over 1,000 temples. Enter the walled city of Angkor Thom and head to its heart to see the enigmatic Bayon, followed by the atmospheric Ta Prohm. This afternoon is dedicated to the indescribable Angkor Wat. Later, take a leisurely boat ride on the moat of Angkor Thom and enjoy a refreshing beer as the sun sets.

### DAY 5: DISCOVER PHNOM PENH

Fly to Phnom Penh, a city of airy boulevards and colonial villas. Visit the magnificent Royal Palace, the official residence of the King, and the Silver Pagoda in its grounds.

### DAY 6: FLY TO SAIGON

Visit the emotive Tuol Sleng Museum, housed in S21, the notorious prison used by the Khmer Rouge regime. Stop at the city's namesake temple, Wat Phnom, before a short 1-hour flight to Saigon in South Vietnam.

### DAY 7: SAIGON & CU CHI

Get to grips with the struggles of guerrilla warfare at the astonishing Cu Chi Tunnels, used by the Viet Cong during the war. Return to the city and gain further insights into this period at the Reunification Palace and the poignant War Remnants Museum.

### DAY 8: MEKONG DELTA CRUISE

Pop down to Ben Tre to take a cruise on the mighty Mekong Delta. Paddle through this 'Rice Basket of Vietnam', a rich and fertile land known for its production of rice, coconuts, vegetables and tropical fruits.

### DAY 9: SAIGON & HOI AN

The exuberant city of Saigon is driving Vietnam forward into the modern world, but is also a treasure trove of fascinating heritage. Discover its architectural gems, including the Notre-Dame Cathedral, Central Post Office and Thien Hau Pagoda. Later, fly to Hoi An, a UNESCO-listed town renowned for its historic atmosphere and high-quality tailors.



Wander charming Hoi An



Spend two days cruising through magnificent Halong Bay

### DAY 10: TRA QUE VILLAGE

Drive out into the countryside to the small farming community of Tra Que. Here you can enjoy the lush green countryside and try your hand at age-old farming techniques before taking part in a cooking demonstration, learning the art of a local dish. After lunch take a walking tour of Hoi An, to see the elaborate Japanese Bridge, a Chinese temple and the bustling market. With its swaying lanterns, bobbing gondolas and cheery yellow houses, the Old Town is a delight to wander.

### DAY 11: HAI VAN PASS & HUE

Drive to Hue, travelling over the scenic Hai Van Pass. Once the stronghold of the Nguyen Emperors, Hue exudes imperial grandeur at every turn. Visit the picturesque Thien Mu Pagoda and cruise along the Perfume River.

### DAY 12: HUE

Visit Hue's UNESCO World Heritage Sites, including the Imperial Citadel and Forbidden City, along with the Royal Tomb of Minh Mang. Stop at a beautiful old 'maison' that has been transformed into a Truc Chi bamboo paper workshop and learn all about this art.

### DAY 13: HANOI CYCLO

Fly to Hanoi this morning. This afternoon, take a thrilling cyclo ride through the Old Quarter and enjoy a flavourful Vietnamese coffee at a café overlooking Hoan Kiem Lake.

### DAYS 14-15: HALONG BAY

Spend two days aboard a comfortable cruise boat sailing amongst magnificent karst peaks on the tranquil green waters of Halong Bay. Spend the night on the boat before returning to Hanoi. Attend the Quintessence of Tonkin

show, a spectacular open-air performance celebrating the rich history of northern Vietnam.

### DAY 16: EXPLORE HANOI

Discover Hanoi's history and the story of President Ho Chi Minh on a walking tour. See his mausoleum in Ba Dinh Square, and admire the Presidential Palace. Explore its peaceful grounds and visit the Humble House on Stilts, where he lived during his rule. Finally, visit the beautiful Temple of Literature before this evening's farewell dinner.

### DAY 17: FLY HANOI TO IRELAND

Fly to Ireland, arriving home the following day.

## EXTEND YOUR STAY...



### SAPA EXTENSION

4 days from €980pp

### BANGKOK STOPOVER

4 days from €730pp

### HONG KONG GLIMPSES STOPOVER

3 days from €480pp

Visit page 72 to learn more about all of our extensions and stopovers.

## ANGKOR TO THE BAY

## CLASSIC CAMBODIA & VIETNAM

## PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Our most popular Indochina tour takes you on a journey of discovery, from the breathtaking temples of Angkor and the Mekong Delta through to the natural grandeur of Halong Bay, experiencing all manner of delights en route.

## PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Departing Saturday returning Monday

### 2025 DATES

11 Jan - 27 Jan	SOLD OUT	02 Aug - 18 Aug	€5,990
08 Feb - 24 Feb	€5,990	20 Sep - 06 Oct	€5,870
15 Feb - 03 Mar	€5,990	04 Oct - 20 Oct	€6,240
22 Feb - 10 Mar	SOLD OUT	11 Oct - 27 Oct	€5,990
01 Mar - 17 Mar	SOLD OUT	18 Oct - 03 Nov	€5,990
15 Mar - 31 Mar	SOLD OUT	25 Oct - 10 Nov	€5,990
22 Mar - 07 Apr	€5,990	01 Nov - 17 Nov	€5,990
29 Mar - 14 Apr	€5,990	08 Nov - 24 Nov	€5,990
05 Apr - 21 Apr	€5,990	15 Nov - 01 Dec	€6,240
03 May - 19 May	€5,990	22 Nov - 08 Dec	€5,990

### 2026 DATES

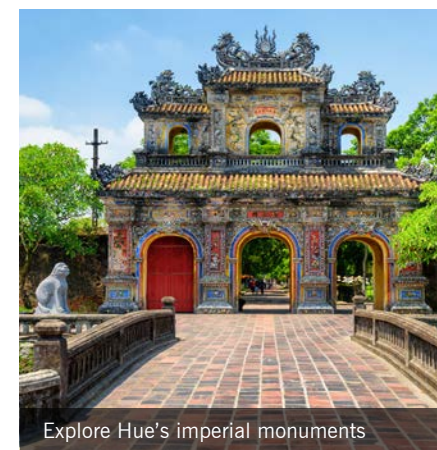
10 Jan - 26 Jan	€6,240	01 Aug - 17 Aug	€6,240
24 Jan - 09 Feb	€6,240	19 Sep - 05 Oct	€6,120
31 Jan - 16 Feb	€6,240	03 Oct - 19 Oct	€6,740
21 Feb - 09 Mar	€6,240	10 Oct - 26 Oct	€6,240
28 Feb - 16 Mar	€6,740	17 Oct - 02 Nov	€6,240
14 Mar - 30 Mar	€6,240	24 Oct - 09 Nov	€6,240
21 Mar - 06 Apr	€6,240	31 Oct - 16 Nov	€6,240
28 Mar - 13 Apr	€6,240	07 Nov - 23 Nov	€6,240
11 Apr - 27 Apr	€6,240	14 Nov - 30 Nov	€6,740
02 May - 18 May	€6,240	21 Nov - 07 Dec	€6,240

## Flight and supplement information

- Based on Dublin departures
- Regional Ireland departures available
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from €4,870 (Siem Reap - Hanoi)
- Single room from €740
- Tipping paid locally US\$100

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Explore Hue's imperial monuments



# CLASSIC MEKONG

18 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON €6,620

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM IRELAND

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Drift along Angkor's moat at sunset
- ✓ See local life on Tonle Sap
- ✓ Cruise the Mekong for 4 nights
- ✓ Discover vibrant Saigon
- ✓ Wander charming Hoi An
- ✓ Explore Hanoi's Old Quarter by cyclo
- ✓ Enjoy spectacular views of Halong Bay

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 16 breakfasts, 15 lunches & 16 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees included for Irish passports holders



Visit an organic Vietnamese farm

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Try your hand at traditional cultivation techniques with members of the local farming community in Tra Que village and enjoy a cooking demonstration of a regional speciality.
- Cruise the Mekong in style aboard the four-star ship, Victoria Mekong. With state-of-the-art facilities and an itinerary packed with culturally-immersive shore excursions and onboard activities, there's no better way to experience life on the Mekong.
- Visit NOIR, a 'dining in the dark' social enterprise restaurant in Saigon. Guided by blind waiters, you'll experience an array of delicious dishes in total darkness – a surefire way to amplify your other senses!



Explore Hoi An's ancient town

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY TO SIEM REAP

Fly overnight to bustling Siem Reap, the gateway to the temples of Angkor. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to soak up the local culture.

### DAYS 3: THE TEMPLES OF ANGKOR

Journey into the old city of Angkor Thom. At its heart is the enigmatic Bayon, an iconic temple of innumerable sculptural decorations. Admire the Elephant Terrace and Terrace of the Leper King before continuing to the atmospheric Ta Prohm. The rest of the afternoon is dedicated to Angkor Wat, the most magnificent and best preserved of all of Angkor's treasures. As the sun sets, float peacefully on the moat that surrounds Angkor Thom, soaking up the atmosphere. Sit down to a welcome dinner with the group this evening.

### DAYS 4: TONLE SAP

Travel to the shores of Tonle Sap and visit the floating village of Kampong Phluk (Oct to Feb) or Chong Kneas (Mar to Sep). Stop at Chansar village for a glimpse at rural life before visiting the home of a local Khmer family.

### DAYS 5: PHNOM PENH

Travel to Cambodia's charming capital, Phnom Penh. Board a cyclo and head into the heart of the city to visit the magnificent Royal Palace – official residence of the King – along with the Silver Pagoda in its grounds.

### DAYS 6: THE VICTORIA MEKONG

Spend the morning reflecting on Phnom Penh's tragic past with visits to Tuol Sleng Museum and the Killing Fields. After lunch, embark on your next adventure – a four night

cruise on our premium small ship, Victoria Mekong, with her 35 outward-facing cabins. Enjoy a welcome cocktail and Apsara dance performance before dinner.

### DAYS 7: INTO VIETNAM

The ship departs this morning, with plenty of onboard activities available; alternatively, spend the morning relaxing in the pool. Sail into Vietnam around lunchtime, anchoring near Tan Chau. Tender ashore to visit a Taoist temple and see the intriguing stilt houses. Return to the ship in time for an exciting lion dance performance on the Sky Deck as the sun sets.

### DAYS 8: PHU TAN & TIGER ISLAND

After breakfast, tender ashore in Phu Tan to visit a craft village famed for its handmade clay stoves. After lunch, anchor at Tiger Island and head ashore to explore, learning about local industries such as ceramics and incense making. Return to the ship in time for a cocktail competition and the evening's entertainment.

### DAYS 9: LONG XUYEN & DINH YEN

Arrive in Long Xuyen and hop on a tender to visit the bustling floating market. Stop in town to visit a museum with exhibits on ancient cultures on the region before returning to the Victoria Mekong. Enjoy a refreshing lunch as the ship continues downstream to Dinh Yen, where you'll see the villagers weaving colourful straw mats, and meet a family who specialise in making beancurd. This evening, the ship continues to Can Tho, the beating heart of the Mekong Delta.



Relax on the Victoria Mekong



Discover the many faces of the Bayon

### DAYS 10: DISEMBARK IN CAN THO

Enjoy breakfast onboard and visit a local floating market by boat. Disembark and bid farewell to the Victoria Mekong, boarding the ship's shuttle bus from Can Tho to Saigon, stopping en route in Cai Be for a delicious local lunch. Dinner this evening will be at Noir, a restaurant that supports Saigon's visually impaired, for a sensory 'dining in the dark' experience.

### DAYS 11: CU CHI & SAIGON

This morning, visit the fascinating Cu Chi Tunnels to learn the history of the Viet Cong and their guerrilla tactics during the Vietnam War. Return to Saigon, a vibrant, modern city with a treasure trove of fascinating heritage. See the colonial Notre Dame Cathedral, visit the Central Post Office, and the fascinating War Remnants Museum. Relax with a coffee break at one of Saigon's popular coffee houses.

### DAYS 12: DISCOVER HOI AN

Fly from Saigon to Danang and transfer to the enchanting town of Hoi An. Head out on a walking tour, with visits including Chua Ong Pagoda, a historic merchant house, and the spectacular Japanese Covered Bridge. With its charming yellow buildings and vivid silk lanterns, a stroll through this traditional town feels like stepping back in time.

### DAYS 13: TRA QUE VILLAGE

Head out into Hoi An's peaceful countryside to visit an organic farming community. This cooperative project is a first-choice supplier for most local restaurants, growing delicious herbs and vegetables using traditional techniques. Their secret is in the fertiliser: natural seaweed

from a local lagoon. Here you can enjoy the lush, green landscapes and stroll through the gardens to see the farmers at work. This afternoon is at leisure.

### DAYS 14: HISTORIC HANOI

Fly to Vietnam's capital city, Hanoi. A fast-paced yet graceful city, it is packed full of ancient and modern sights to discover. Begin exploring at the serene Temple of Literature before taking a cyclo tour through the Old Quarter's atmospheric tangle of streets with a stop for local delicacy 'ca phe trung' (egg coffee) en route.

### DAYS 15: HO CHI MINH QUARTER

Today, head to the Ho Chi Minh Quarter, where you'll pass 'Uncle Ho's' monumental mausoleum and Stilt House, before seeing the One Pillar Pagoda. Tonight, attend one of Hanoi's famously breathtaking artistic performances.

### DAYS 16-17: CRUISE HALONG BAY

Travel to Halong City, board a cruise boat and set sail on the tranquil blue-green waters of Halong Bay. With its 1,600 islands and islets, the bay was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1994. As you explore you'll make excursions to mysterious caves and enjoy delicious seafood onboard. After a night anchored out on the water, rise early to see the sun come up before cruising back to port. Return to Hanoi for an afternoon at leisure ahead of this evening's farewell dinner.

### DAYS 18: FLY HANOI TO IRELAND

Fly to Ireland, arriving home the following day.

## CLASSIC MEKONG

## CLASSIC CAMBODIA & VIETNAM

PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Starting on a high at the Temples of Angkor, spend four nights on board the Victoria Mekong cruising downstream into Vietnam, where you'll discover the top sights – Saigon, Hoi An, Hanoi and Halong Bay.

## PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Departing Monday returning Thursday

2025 DATES			
27 Jan - 13 Feb	€7,370	05 May - 22 May	€6,620
10 Feb - 27 Feb	€7,370	22 Sep - 09 Oct	€6,620
24 Feb - 13 Mar	SOLD OUT	06 Oct - 23 Oct	€7,370
10 Mar - 27 Mar	€7,370	20 Oct - 06 Nov	€7,370
24 Mar - 10 Apr	€7,370	03 Nov - 20 Nov	€7,370
07 Apr - 24 Apr	€6,620	17 Nov - 04 Dec	€7,370
21 Apr - 08 May	€6,620	01 Dec - 18 Dec	€7,490

2026 DATES			
12 Jan - 29 Jan	€7,490	13 Apr - 30 Apr	€6,870
26 Jan - 12 Feb	€7,490	28 Sep - 15 Oct	€6,870
16 Feb - 05 Mar	€7,490	12 Oct - 29 Oct	€7,490
02 Mar - 19 Mar	€7,490	26 Oct - 12 Nov	€7,490
16 Mar - 02 Apr	€7,490	09 Nov - 26 Nov	€7,490
30 Mar - 16 Apr	€6,870	23 Nov - 10 Dec	€7,490

## Flight and supplement information

- Based on Dublin departures
- Regional Ireland departures available
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from €5,620 (Siem Reap - Hanoi)
- Single room from €1,370
- Tipping paid locally US\$85

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# MEKONG EXPLORER

22 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON €7,120

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM IRELAND

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Explore Hanoi's Old Quarter by cyclo
- ✓ Cruise majestic Halong Bay
- ✓ Explore imperial architecture in Hue
- ✓ Learn ancient farming techniques in Hoi An
- ✓ Enjoy a 4-night cruise aboard the contemporary Victoria Mekong
- ✓ Drift along Angkor's moat at sunset



Admire the spectacular Golden Bridge

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 19 breakfasts, 17 lunches & 19 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees included for Irish passports holders



Float on the moat of Angkor Thom

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Enjoy an atmospheric gondola cruise on the moat of Angkor Thom. Glide along the waters as the sun sets, bathing the temples in a rich, warming glow.
- Stroll across Danang's striking 'Golden Bridge' – a hilltop structure held aloft by a pair of huge, stone hands – and admire the beautiful views over the Ba Na Hills.
- Cruise the Mekong in style aboard the four-star ship, Victoria Mekong. With state-of-the-art facilities and an itinerary packed with culturally-immersive shore excursions and onboard activities, there's no better way to experience life on the Mekong.

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY TO HANOI

Fly overnight to Vietnam's vibrant capital city, Hanoi. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture. This evening, enjoy a welcome dinner.

### DAY 3: HANOI CYCLO TOUR

Visit the Ho Chi Minh Quarter, stopping at the One Pillar Pagoda and exploring the Temple of Literature. Later, take a cyclo tour through the Old Quarter's atmospheric streets with a stop for local delicacy 'ca phe trung' (egg coffee). Tonight, attend a breathtaking performance celebrating Vietnam's rich culture.

### DAYS 4-5: CRUISE HALONG BAY

Board your four-star ship and cruise out into the tranquil waters of Halong Bay – a UNESCO World Heritage Site that has long enthralled visitors with its beauty. Enjoy an afternoon of activities such as kayaking, swimming or cave tours, or simply relax on the sundeck. After a night anchored out on the water, enjoy the sunrise before cruising back to port. Fly to Hue.

### DAY 6: EXPLORE HUE

The capital of imperial-era Vietnam, Hue is a sophisticated and scholarly city. Start your tour at the Imperial Citadel and Forbidden Purple City and visit the UNESCO World Heritage Royal Tomb of Minh Mang, before a cruise on the Perfume River. This afternoon is at leisure.

### DAY 7: ADMIRE THE GOLDEN BRIDGE

Depart Hue, taking the scenic route over the Hai Van Pass to charming Hoi An. En route, take a cable car to admire the views from the spectacular Golden Bridge in Ba Na Hills.

### DAY 8: TRA QUE VILLAGE

Head out into the countryside to visit a small farming community and stroll through the gardens to see the farmers at work. In the afternoon, discover Hoi An itself, grabbing some refreshment at the Reaching Out Tea House, a wonderful social project in the heart of town, as you explore.

### DAY 9: FREE TIME IN HOI AN

This morning is free, before an afternoon flight to Saigon.

### DAY 10: DISCOVER SAIGON

Explore Saigon, a vibrant, modern city with a treasure trove of fascinating heritage. Stroll through fascinating Chinatown and visit the emotional War Remnants Museum. Look around the Reunification Palace before admiring the beautiful colonial architecture of Notre Dame Cathedral and the Central Post Office.

### DAY 11: CU CHI TUNNELS

Spend the morning exploring the fascinating Cu Chi Tunnels. Stop at an organic farm for a freshly-made lunch before a free afternoon back in back in Saigon, before a unique dining experience at NOIR this evening.

### DAY 12: TO THE MEKONG DELTA

Drive southwest to Can Tho, stopping en route for a delicious local lunch. Board the four-star Victoria Mekong cruise ship which, after a welcome briefing, will cast off into the waters of the Mekong Delta. Begin your cruise experience with a complimentary cocktail on deck, watching the sun set as the ship makes its way upriver. Tonight, drop anchor at Tiger Island.



Relax on the Victoria Mekong

### DAY 13: TIGER ISLAND AND FLOATING MARKET

Cruise upstream to Long Xuyen and disembark to visit a floating market and local museum. After lunch, enjoy an excursion to Tiger Island to explore by sampan, visiting local cottage industries. Sit down to dinner and evening entertainment before retiring to your cabin.

### DAY 14: TAN CHAU

Start the day at Phu Tan, visiting a craft village famous for its handmade clay stoves. Used in the delta for centuries, these stoves have a unique design to protect them from the wind. Return to the ship and cruise to Tan Chau during lunch. On arrival, head to shore to visit a colourful Cao Dai temple and a local market. This evening features a thrilling lion dance performance!

### DAY 15: INTO CAMBODIA

Today, the Victoria Mekong will cross into Cambodia and sail towards Phnom Penh. Spend a leisurely day enjoying a wealth of onboard activities, such as lectures and cocktail making, docking in Phnom Penh in the late afternoon. Sip a farewell cocktail during the evening entertainment and enjoy a final dinner on board. Later, why not head ashore to explore the buzzing city?

### DAY 16: DISEMBARK IN PHNOM PENH

Enjoy breakfast on the ship before disembarking. Board a cyclo and head from the pier into the heart of the city to see the magnificent Royal Palace, Silver Pagoda and National Museum. After lunch check in to your hotel and enjoy an afternoon at leisure.

### DAY 17: EXPLORE PHNOM PENH

Spend the morning confronting Phnom Penh's tragic past with visits to Tuol Sleng Museum and the Killing Fields, learning about the regime of Pol Pot. Later, fly to Siem Reap, the gateway to Angkor.

### DAY 18: THE TEMPLES OF ANGKOR

Journey into Angkor Thom and visit the enigmatic Bayon, the Elephant Terrace, Terrace of the Leper King and atmospheric Ta Prohm. Continue on to Angkor Wat, the most magnificent and best preserved of all of Angkor's treasures. As the sun sets, take a boat ride on Angkor Thom's moat.

### DAY 19: TONLE SAP

Travel to Tonle Sap and visit one of the lake's intriguing floating villages. Back on land, stop at a rural village and visit the home of a local family. This evening, enjoy an acrobatic show by the Phare Cambodian Circus, a social enterprise providing vocational training to disadvantaged local youths.

### DAY 20: LOCAL COOKING CLASS

This morning, take a tuk tuk to a cooking class held in a traditional Cambodian house. Visit a fresh produce market to shop for ingredients, before learning to prepare authentic Khmer food. Enjoy your creations for lunch before an afternoon at leisure to explore Siem Reap, or perhaps return to Angkor before tonight's farewell dinner.

### DAYS 21-22: FLY SIEM REAP TO IRELAND

Fly to Ireland, arriving home the following day.

## MEKONG EXPLORER

## CLASSIC VIETNAM & CAMBODIA

PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

See Halong Bay and the wonders of Vietnam as you explore the country from tip to toe. Embark the Victoria Mekong for a four-night river cruise into Cambodia, where you'll discover the majestic Temples of Angkor.



Take a local cooking class

## PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Departing Saturday returning Saturday

### 2025 DATES

11 Jan - 31 Jan	€7,870	20 Sep - 10 Oct	€7,870
22 Feb - 14 Mar	€7,870	04 Oct - 24 Oct	€7,870
08 Mar - 28 Mar	€7,870	18 Oct - 07 Nov	€7,870
22 Mar - 11 Apr	SOLD OUT	01 Nov - 21 Nov	€7,870
05 Apr - 25 Apr	SOLD OUT	15 Nov - 05 Dec	€7,870
19 Apr - 09 May	€7,120		

### 2026 DATES

31 Jan - 20 Feb	€8,240	26 Sep - 16 Oct	€8,240
28 Feb - 20 Mar	€8,240	07 Nov - 27 Nov	€8,240
14 Mar - 03 Apr	€8,240	21 Nov - 11 Dec	€8,240
28 Mar - 17 Apr	€7,370		

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on Dublin departures
- Regional Ireland departures available
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from €6,120 (Hanoi - Siem Reap)
- Single room from €1,550
- Tipping paid locally US\$95

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Cruise Halong Bay overnight



# THAILAND HIGHLIGHTS

- 13 DAYS FROM
- PER PERSON €4,490
- FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM IRELAND
- ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Marvel at Bangkok's Grand Palace
- ✓ See the Bridge on the River Kwai
- ✓ Explore historic Ayutthaya
- ✓ Meet Hmong and Yao hill tribes
- ✓ Stroll through laidback Chiang Rai
- ✓ Master Thai cuisine with a Chiang Mai cooking class



See Chiang Rai's contemporary White Temple

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 11 breakfasts, 10 lunches & 11 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation and eco-lodge
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Be amazed at Maeklong Railway Market

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Visit Maeklong Market, famous for being set along a railway line – witness the fascinating bustle of activity as the stallholders move their wares speedily out of the way as a train passes through!
- Venture deep into the northern highlands and spend the night at one with nature at a tribe-run eco-lodge, where you'll enjoy a local dinner and a tribal dance performance.
- Spend the day with Asian elephants at an elephant rescue and retirement centre, where you'll meet, feed and help care for the gorgeous residents.

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO BANGKOK

Fly overnight to the vibrant city of Bangkok. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 3: DISCOVER BANGKOK

Bangkok is a whirlwind of exotic energy; a sensory extravaganza like few other cities. Neoclassical houses rub shoulders with high-rise skyscrapers and majestic golden temples, while river taxis and ferries throng its busy canals. Today's sightseeing includes Wat Pho, the dazzling Grand Palace and a stroll through Chinatown. Later, take to the Chao Phraya River on a longboat to get an alternative view of the city.

### DAY 4: BRIDGE OVER THE RIVER KWAI

Enjoy the sights and sounds of the Damnoen Saduak Floating Market and the bizarre Maeklong Railway Market before heading out of Bangkok to Kanchanaburi. It was here that many Allied POWs and indentured Asian labourers were forced to build the Thai-Burma Railway during the WWII Japanese occupation of Thailand. Stop at the famous bridge on the River Kwai and visit the Thai-Burmese Railway Museum to learn their stories, then pay your respects at the War Cemetery before checking into your hotel. Spend the night in Kanchanaburi.

### DAY 5: EXPLORE KANCHANABURI

Drive to Hellfire Pass and visit the fascinating museum before a short walk through the pass. Step on board an old locomotive to travel along a section of the Death Railway, passing

through the Kwai Gorge. Return to Bangkok in the afternoon.

### DAY 6: AYUTTHAYA

A sacred city and former royal capital, Ayutthaya today is a crumbled kingdom that has retained its bygone splendour. Explore this impressive archaeological site, touring the principal sights including Bang Pa-In, the former royal summer residence. Return to Bangkok and fly to Chiang Rai, a city in Thailand's northern highlands.

### DAY 7: GOLDEN TRIANGLE

Transfer to the area known as the Golden Triangle – the point where the borders of Thailand, Laos and Myanmar meet and notorious for the cultivation of opium that used to take place here. Take a boat ride on the Mekong over the border into Laos and visit Don Sao Island where you can take a leisurely stroll through the local market. Return to Chiang Rai. Explore the night market this evening.



Meet members of the Hmong community



Visit an elephant rescue sanctuary



Learn the story of the infamous bridge over the River Kwai

### DAY 8: TEA PLANTATIONS

Travel to Mae Salong Mountain, an area well known for its tea plantations – you can sample some of the local brew whilst you are here. Enjoy a Yunnanese lunch before visiting Doi Tung Palace and Mae Fah Luang Garden.

### DAY 9: HMONG HILLTRIBE LODGE

Explore the striking Buddhist White Temple before departing Chiang Rai. Heading in the direction of Chiang Mai, you'll travel along a beautiful mountain road with breathtaking views. Entering Chiang Mai province, spend tonight at Hmong Hilltribe Lodge, an eco-lodge operated by Hmong villagers. Rooms are built in the traditional tribal style and overlook lush fields and hills. Dinner is followed by a Hmong folklore performance.

### DAY 10: DISCOVER CHIANG MAI

Depart Hmong Lodge to Mae Daeng where you enjoy a leisurely bamboo raft down the Mae Daeng River. Continue to Chiang Mai, and take a walking tour of Wat Chedi Luang and Wat Phra Singh.

### DAY 11: ELEPHANT SANCTUARY EXPERIENCE

Spend the morning at an ethical elephant sanctuary and retirement centre, where you can meet, feed and care for these rescued and elderly residents.

### DAY 12: CHIANG MAI COOKING CLASS

Discover the secrets of traditional Thai cooking with a morning cookery class. Ascend to Wat Doi Suthep, a temple perched on top of Doi Suthep Mountain. This evening, sit down to a

Thai Khantoke dinner, and be entertained by a selection of cultural performances.

### DAY 13: FLY CHIANG MAI TO IRELAND

Fly to Ireland, arriving home the following day.

## EXTEND YOUR STAY...



### LAOS EXTENSION

5 days from €1,190pp

### SAPA EXTENSION

4 days from €980pp

### ESSENTIAL DUBAI STOPOVER

3 days from €370pp

Visit page 72 to learn more about all of our extensions and stopovers.



Visit the sacred city of Ayutthaya

## THAILAND HIGHLIGHTS

## CLASSIC THAILAND

## PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

A two-week journey from south to north, this tour of Thailand encompasses all the top sights, as well as venturing into less-explored areas to discover pristine nature and local culture with a stay at a beautiful eco-lodge run by a local tribe.

## PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Departing Friday returning Wednesday

### 2025 DATES

10 Jan - 22 Jan	€4,490	31 Oct - 12 Nov	€4,490
07 Feb - 19 Feb	€4,490	07 Nov - 19 Nov	€4,490
14 Feb - 26 Feb	€4,490	28 Nov - 10 Dec	€4,490
28 Feb - 12 Mar	€4,490		

### 2026 DATES

09 Jan - 21 Jan	€4,740	30 Oct - 11 Nov	€4,740
13 Feb - 25 Feb	€4,740	06 Nov - 18 Nov	€4,740
20 Feb - 04 Mar	€4,740	27 Nov - 09 Dec	€4,740
27 Feb - 11 Mar	€4,740		

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on Dublin departures
- Regional Ireland departures available
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from €3,490 (Bangkok - Chiang Mai)
- Single room from €440
- Tipping paid locally US\$75

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Experience a Thai cooking class





# Discover India and beyond with Wendy Wu Tours

Reaching from the cloud-piercing peaks of the Himalayas to the jewel-bright blue of the Indian Ocean, the Indian Subcontinent encompasses a myriad of landscapes, cultures and nature. Here are some of our favourite destinations...

## WENDY'S TOP 8 SIGHTS

### 1 RANTHAMBORE NATIONAL PARK

Whether it's staking out watering holes or combing the tropical jungle of Ranthambore, looking for tigers is an exhilarating experience. That's why a safari is included on so many of our India tours!



### 2 TAJ MAHAL

There have been many words used to describe it, yet few do it justice. We suggest you go and see the Taj Mahal for yourself, that's why it is featured on most India tours.



### 3 SIGIRIYA ROCK, SRI LANKA

Explore the ruins of the ancient Sri Lankan fortress atop Sigiriya, or 'Lion Rock', including its fascinating fresco paintings. Then climb further for breathtaking views – discover it on our Highlights of Sri Lanka tour (page 64).



### 4 KERALA'S BACKWATERS

A network of lagoons, canals and rivers enveloped in verdant greenery, Kerala's backwaters are best explored by boat – do this on our Kerala & The Southern Highlights tour (page 66).



### 5 GHATS OF VARANASI

A sacred city and one of the world's oldest, Varanasi's ghats, lapped by the River Ganges, showcase humanity laid bare. See them on two tours (pages 62 & 64).



### 6 GOLDEN TEMPLE

Amritsar's spectacular Golden Temple is a sight to behold – see for yourself on our India by Rail tour on (page 62).



### 7 YALA NATIONAL PARK

Yala National Park, Sri Lanka's premier wildlife sanctuary, is home to diverse fauna, including leopards, elephants, Sri Lankan sloth bear and more than 200 species of bird.



### 8 JAISALMER FORT

Wander the magnificent Jaisalmer Fort, where residents still live within the 12th century walls, and admire the elaborately carved yellow sandstone of its Jain temples. Included on our Rajasthan Panorama Tour (page 68).





# TAJ, TEMPLES & TIGERS

- 10 DAYS FROM
- PER PERSON €3,740
- FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM IRELAND
- ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Witness sunrise at the Taj Mahal
- ✓ Marvel at Delhi's Jama Masjid
- ✓ Spot tigers in Ranthambore
- ✓ See the grandeur of Fatehpur Sikri
- ✓ Wander Jaipur, the 'Pink City'
- ✓ Explore magnificent Amber Fort

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 8 breakfasts, 7 lunches & 8 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Irish passport holders



Tour the spice markets

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Take an exciting rickshaw ride through Khari Baoli Spice Market in Old Delhi, absorbing the heady scents and colourful sights of some of the world's most exotic powders, leaves, roots and seeds.
- Venture into the old alleyways of Jaipur to try your hand at block printing, the practice of hand printing textiles with a carved wooden block, a traditional art of the city.
- Learn astronomy the old way at Jaipur's fascinating Jantar Mantar, an 18th-century observatory full of instruments used to measure the distance and positions of celestial objects.



Marvel at the spectacular Taj Mahal

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY TO DELHI

Fly overnight to India's capital, Delhi. On arrival at the airport you will be met by a member of the Wendy Wu Tours team and transferred to the hotel. Meet the group tonight for dinner and start getting to know your fellow travellers.

### DAY 3: DISCOVER DELHI

Today we explore this vivacious city! Starting in atmospheric Old Delhi, embark on a rickshaw ride through the bustling streets. You'll dive straight into the narrow, fragrant lanes of Khari Baoli Spice Market to marvel at the array of colourful herbs and spices. Next, stop to visit the immense Jama Masjid, a Mughal masterpiece of a mosque. Cross over into New Delhi to admire the colonial grandeur of India Gate before seeing the UNESCO-listed Qutab Minar, a 73-metre, 12th-century minaret.



See the colonial grandeur of India Gate

### DAY 4: TRAVEL TO AGRA

Journey to Agra by road and start your explorations at Itmad-ud-Daulah, also known as the 'Baby Taj', an exquisite Mughal mausoleum considered a Taj Mahal prototype. Next, tour the magnificent Agra Fort. This mass of red sandstone sits on the banks of the Yamuna River; from its ramparts you may catch a first glimpse of the magical Taj Mahal, just two kilometres downstream.

### DAY 5: TAJ MAHAL

Rise early to share an unforgettable experience, sunrise at the Taj Mahal. At dawn, when the crowds are at their thinnest, watch this magical building tinge pink as it emerges from the early morning mists. Then travel to Ranthambore National Park, home to majestic Bengal tigers, stopping en route at UNESCO World Heritage Site Fatehpur Sikri, the long abandoned 17th-century capital of the Mughal Empire.



Spot tigers in the wild at Ranthambore National Park

### DAY 6: TIGERS OF RANTHAMBORE

Venture deep into Ranthambore National Park in search of tigers, taking early morning and afternoon safaris. There are around 50 tigers living amongst the park's undulating landscapes, as well as leopards, nilgai, sloth bears, wild boar, hyena and over 300 species of bird.

### DAY 7: TRAVEL TO JAIPUR

Departing Ranthambore, travel by road to Jaipur, the 'Pink City'. On arrival, enjoy a turban tying experience before spending the rest of your day at leisure.

### DAY 8: EXPLORE JAIPUR

The day begins with a photo stop at the Hawa Mahal, the magnificent 'Palace of the Winds'. Next, travel out of the city and board a jeep to reach the extraordinary Amber Fort, the colossal 16th-century yellow and pink sandstone fort that sits 11 kilometres outside of Jaipur. Back in the city, explore the lavish Maharaja's City Palace and the fascinating instruments of Jantar Mantar. Heading deep into the backstreets of the old town, try your hand at traditional artistries at a block printing and carpet weaving workshop.

### DAY 9: TRAVEL TO DELHI

Leaving the Pink City, return by road to Delhi. On arrival, the rest of the day is free to spend as you wish. This evening, the group will sit down together for the last time at a farewell dinner – the perfect time to reflect on your adventures.

### DAY 10: FLY DELHI TO IRELAND

Fly to Ireland, arriving home the same, or following day

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## TAJ, TEMPLES & TIGERS

## CLASSIC INDIA

## PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Enjoy a concise, classic introduction to this beautiful country. Architectural wonders await as you soak up the vibrant sights, sounds and experiences of northern India.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing Saturday returning Monday

### 2025 DATES

01 Feb - 10 Feb	€3,740	04 Oct - 13 Oct	€4,240
15 Feb - 24 Feb	€3,740	11 Oct - 20 Oct	€3,740
01 Mar - 10 Mar	€3,740	18 Oct - 27 Oct	€3,740
08 Mar - 17 Mar	€3,740	25 Oct - 03 Nov	€3,740
15 Mar - 24 Mar	€3,740	01 Nov - 10 Nov	€3,740
22 Mar - 31 Mar	€3,740	08 Nov - 17 Nov	€4,240
29 Mar - 07 Apr	€3,740	15 Nov - 24 Nov	€3,740
05 Apr - 14 Apr	€3,740	22 Nov - 01 Dec	€3,740
27 Sep - 06 Oct	€3,740	29 Nov - 08 Dec	€3,740

### 2026 DATES

17 Jan - 26 Jan	€3,740	03 Oct - 12 Oct	€3,740
24 Jan - 02 Feb	€3,740	10 Oct - 19 Oct	€3,740
07 Feb - 16 Feb	€3,740	17 Oct - 26 Oct	€3,740
21 Feb - 02 Mar	€3,740	24 Oct - 02 Nov	€3,740
07 Mar - 16 Mar	€4,240	31 Oct - 09 Nov	€3,740
21 Mar - 30 Mar	€3,740	07 Nov - 16 Nov	€4,240
04 Apr - 13 Apr	€3,740	14 Nov - 23 Nov	€3,740
18 Apr - 27 Apr	€3,740	21 Nov - 30 Nov	€3,740
26 Sep - 05 Oct	€3,740	28 Nov - 07 Dec	€3,740

## Flight and supplement information

- Based on Dublin departures
- Regional Ireland departures available
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- Land only from €2,990 (Delhi- Delhi)
- Single room from €620
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Discover the Maharaja's city palace



# INSPIRING INDIA

- 14 DAYS FROM
- PER PERSON €4,240
- FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM IRELAND
- ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Tour the spice markets of Delhi
- ✓ Marvel at the Taj Mahal
- ✓ Spot tigers in Ranthambore
- ✓ Explore holy Pushkar
- ✓ See the palaces of Udaipur
- ✓ Discover the 'Pink City' Jaipur

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 12 breakfasts, 11 lunches & 12 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Irish passport holders



Explore Pushkar's bustling market

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Immerse yourself in local life with a walking tour through Pushkar's bustling market, admiring the enormous range of fresh produce, colourful textiles and interesting souvenirs!
- Visit a workshop hidden in the bustling backstreets of old Jaipur to catch a glimpse of the age-old art of carpet weaving, a fascinating artistry still practised the traditional way.
- Admire the magical city of Udaipur, full of glorious, romantic architecture, from the perfect vantage point – a boat cruising the waters of Lake Pichola.



Admire Udaipur's City Palace

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: ARRIVE DELHI

Arrive in Delhi where you will be met and transferred to your hotel, for a two night stay. The rest of the day is at leisure.

### DAY 3: DELHI

After breakfast, get ready for a full-day of sightseeing in both Old and New Delhi. Explore the captivating streets of Old Delhi on foot before visiting Khari Baoli Spice Market, and taking a rickshaw ride through the streets. Visit Jama Masjid, Lakshmi Marayan Hindu Temple, with a quick photo at India Gate, before ending the day visiting Humayun's Tomb and the impressive Qutab Minar.

### DAY 4: DELHI TO JAIPUR

Embark on a scenic drive to Jaipur, with a delicious lunch en route at a local restaurant. On arrival explore the majestic Maharaja's City Palace and the fascinating Jantar Mantar Observatory.

### DAY 5: JAIPUR

After breakfast, stop for a quick view of Hawa Mahal (Palace of the Winds) from the outside, before visiting the magnificent Amber Fort, set atop a hill on the outskirts of Jaipur. Afterwards try your hand at block printing and carpet weaving with help from local artisans.

### DAY 6: JAIPUR TO PUSHKAR

Start your day with a journey to Pushkar, where you'll have the opportunity to explore the bustling local markets and marvel at the sacred Brahma Temple, a unique place of worship dedicated to the deity believed by many Hindus to be the creator of the universe.

### DAY 7: PUSHKAR TO UDAIPUR

Today you depart for Udaipur, known as the "City of Lakes". Enjoy a lunch stop in Nathdwara along the way. The rest of the day is free for you to explore at your own pace.

### DAY 8: UDAIPUR

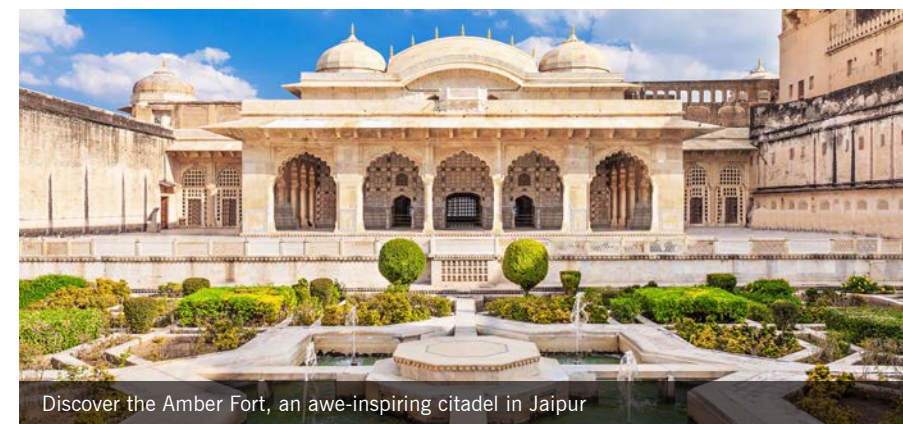
Embark on an exploration of Udaipur, beginning with a scenic drive around Fateh Sagar Lake. Immerse yourself in the rich culture at the Folk Museum and Mewar Art Gallery, followed by a visit to the magnificent City Palace. The day ends with a delightful cruise on the serene waters of Lake Pichola, taking in the picturesque views that Udaipur has to offer.

### DAY 9: UDAIPUR TO BUNDI

On your journey to Bundi, take a detour to visit the magnificent Chittor Fort and the awe-inspiring Vijay Stambh. Chittor Fort, one of the largest forts in India, proudly stands atop a hill, providing a breathtaking view of the town of Chittorgarh. Marvel at the grandeur and historical significance of this magnificent fortress before continuing your travels to Bundi.



Discover Chittor Fort



Discover the Amber Fort, an awe-inspiring citadel in Jaipur

### DAY 10: BUNDI TO RANTHAMBORE

Begin your day with a satisfying breakfast and immerse yourself in the charm of the town. Explore its intriguing step wells and uncover the historical wonders of Taragarh Fort. Later, embark on a scenic drive to Ranthambore, where you will check into your hotel and prepare for your wildlife adventure.

### DAY 11: RANTHAMBORE NATIONAL PARK

Embark on morning and afternoon canter safaris within the national park, offering thrilling opportunities to spot the local wildlife. As you venture into the wilderness keep your eyes peeled for glimpses of the magnificent wildlife like leopards, sloth bears, and various bird species.

### DAY 12: RANTHAMBORE TO AGRA

Travel to Agra, stopping en route at the 'Ghost City', Fatehpur Sikri. Here, among the splendid examples of red sandstone Mughal architecture, visit the Tomb of Chisti and the exquisite Panchal Mahal Palace. Later, in Agra, relax with a glass of champagne at sunset, gazing over the city to the Taj Mahal.

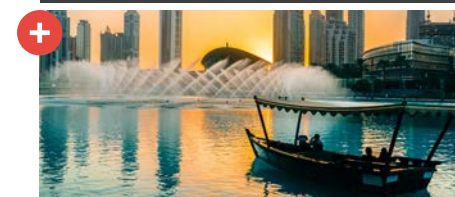
### DAY 13: AGRA

This morning, gaze on the ethereal beauty of the Taj Mahal, admiring it from all angles as you stroll its lush gardens. Move on to the Itmad-ud-Daulah, the Baby Taj, and the majestic Agra Fort. Return to Delhi.

### DAY 14: FLY DELHI TO IRELAND

Transfer to the airport for your flight back to Ireland, arriving home the same or following day.

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See tigers in Ranthambore

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## PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Perfect for your first visit to India - soak up the extravagance of Rajasthan, search for tigers in Ranthambore and see the Taj Mahal at sunrise on one extraordinary itinerary.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing Friday returning Thursday

### 2025 DATES

24 Jan - 06 Feb	€4,240	03 Oct - 16 Oct	€4,240
31 Jan - 13 Feb	€4,240	10 Oct - 23 Oct	€4,240
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28 Mar - 10 Apr	€4,240	21 Nov - 04 Dec	€4,240
11 Apr - 24 Apr	€4,240	28 Nov - 11 Dec	€4,240
26 Sep - 09 Oct	€4,240		

### 2026 DATES

23 Jan - 05 Feb	€4,370	10 Apr - 23 Apr	€4,370
30 Jan - 12 Feb	€4,370	25 Sep - 08 Oct	€4,370
06 Feb - 19 Feb	€4,370	02 Oct - 15 Oct	€4,370
13 Feb - 26 Feb	€4,370	09 Oct - 22 Oct	€4,370
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06 Mar - 19 Mar	€4,370	30 Oct - 12 Nov	€4,370
13 Mar - 26 Mar	€4,740	06 Nov - 19 Nov	€4,370
20 Mar - 02 Apr	€4,370	13 Nov - 26 Nov	€4,370
27 Mar - 09 Apr	€4,370	20 Nov - 03 Dec	€4,370
03 Apr - 16 Apr	€4,370	27 Nov - 10 Dec	€4,370

## Flight and supplement information

- Based on Dublin departures
- Regional Ireland departures available
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from €3,490 (Delhi- Delhi)
- Single room from €800
- Tipping paid locally US\$90

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Explore Agra Fort



# INDIA BY RAIL

15 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON €5,370

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM IRELAND

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Ride the toy train in Shimla
- ✓ Watch the flag lowering ceremony at the Wagah border
- ✓ Marvel at the Taj Mahal
- ✓ Experience a Pooja ceremony
- ✓ Cruise the waters of the River Ganges



Ride Shimla's toy train

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 13 breakfasts, 12 lunches & 13 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Irish passport holders



Visit the Ashoka Pillar

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Explore the Buddhist sites in Sarnath, where Gautama Buddha first taught the Dharma after attaining enlightenment. Visit the Ashoka Pillar, an iconic symbol of Sarnath's heritage.
- Embark on a charming toy train journey from Shimla to Kandaghat, taking in the breathtaking views of the mountains and valleys of the Himalayan foothills as you trundle slowly through.
- Participate in block printing, a traditional form of textile printing that involves the use of hand-carved wooden blocks to create intricate patterns on fabric. This art form has a long history and is still practiced throughout India today.

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO DELHI

Upon your arrival at Delhi International Airport, you will be greeted by your National Escort from Wendy Wu Tours and transferred to your hotel. Settle into your accommodation for a two-night stay.

### DAY 3: EXPLORE DELHI

Begin your day with a drive alongside the magnificent Red Fort, taking in the awe-inspiring beauty of its red sandstone structure. Next, embark on a delightful rickshaw ride through the lively streets of Old Delhi, before proceeding to the renowned Jama Masjid. After lunch, fly to Amritsar, eagerly anticipating the adventure that lies ahead.

### DAY 4: DISCOVER AMRITSAR

Today starts with a morning visit to the historically significant Jallianwala Bagh, a poignant public garden in Amritsar. Continue your exploration by visiting the remarkable Durgiana Temple, and in the afternoon, embark on a scenic drive to the Wagah border, to witness the ceremonial flag lowering ceremony.

### DAY 5: TRAVEL TO SHIMLA

Catch your morning train and enjoy the picturesque journey as you head towards Chandigarh. Continue by road to the hill station of Shimla, where you will take a walking tour to Mall Road. Explore The Ridge, a spacious open space offering panoramic views of the surrounding hills, and marvel at the architectural beauty of Christ Church, a landmark of Shimla's colonial heritage.

### DAY 6: SHIMLA

Today begins with an enchanting toy train experience from Shimla to Kandaghat. Return to Shimla by car to enjoy a city tour visiting the Indian Institute of Advanced Studies. Explore the grandeur of this architectural gem and learn about its historical significance. Continue your exploration by visiting the Himachal State Museum. Immerse yourself in the rich heritage and vibrant artistry of the region as you discover the museum's fascinating exhibits.

### DAY 7: TRAVEL TO DELHI

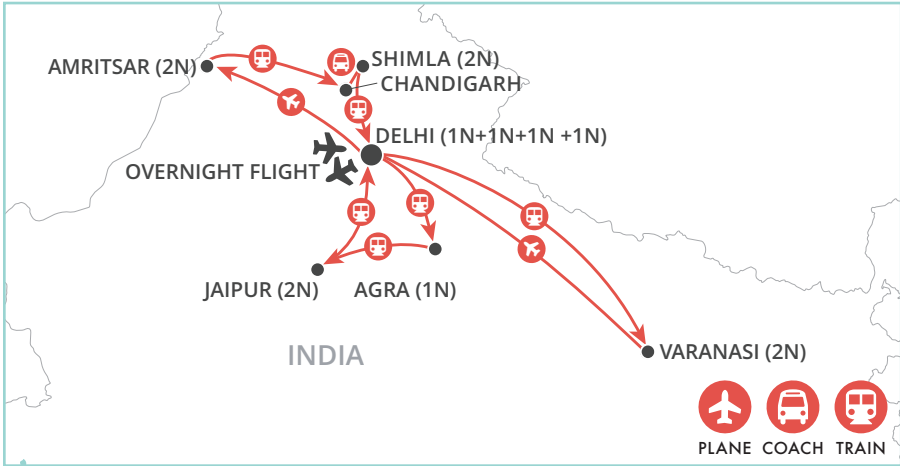
After your memorable time in Shimla, it's time to transfer to Chandigarh station for your onward journey. Bid farewell to the charming hill station as you board your train bound for Delhi. Sit back, relax, and enjoy the changing landscapes. The afternoon is at leisure for you to explore.

### DAY 8: TRAVEL TO AGRA

This morning's train journey is to Agra, a city steeped in history and architectural marvels. On arrival explore Fatehpur Sikri. This UNESCO World Heritage Site showcases the grandeur of Mughal architecture. Proceed to Agra Fort, another iconic landmark with imposing red sandstone walls, encompassing palaces, gardens and many halls.

### DAY 9: TAJ MAHAL

Early morning start with a sunrise visit to the world-renowned Taj Mahal in Agra. As the first rays of sunlight illuminate the iconic white marble monument, witness its ethereal beauty and experience the tranquil atmosphere surrounding this masterpiece, as you learn about the captivating love story behind its creation.



Marvel at the Taj Mahal

Visit a nearby marble workshop to witness the skilled artisans crafting intricate marble designs before your next train journey takes you to Jaipur, the vibrant capital of Rajasthan.

### DAY 10: EXPLORE JAIPUR

Explore Jaipur's iconic attractions, including a photo stop at Hawa Mahal. Visit the magnificent Amber Fort and immerse yourself in its regal ambiance. Discover the Maharaja's City Palace while delving into the city's royal heritage before experiencing the scientific wonders of the Jantar Mantar Observatory. Witness traditional crafts like block printing and carpet weaving at a local craft centre and end the day with a delicious dinner and captivating cultural performance.

### DAY 11: DISCOVER DELHI

Bid farewell to Jaipur as this train journey takes you to Delhi. Upon arrival you will enjoy a tour that begins at the magnificent Qutab Minar, a UNESCO World Heritage Site that



Travel from Jaipur to Delhi by train

stands as a testament to Delhi's rich history and architectural grandeur. Continue to explore New Delhi, starting with the Rashtrapati Bhavan, the official residence of the President of India and stop at the iconic India Gate, designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens.

### DAY 12: TRAVEL TO VARANASI

Board a morning train from Delhi to the sacred city of Varanasi. Upon arrival, prepare for an enchanting evening rickshaw ride to the banks of the Ganges River. As dusk sets in, witness the mesmerizing Ganga Aarti, a traditional prayer ceremony dedicated to the river, capturing the rhythmic chants, flickering oil lamps, and the divine atmosphere that surrounds you.

### DAY 13: VARANASI

Enjoy a serene cruise along the Ganges River, soaking in the spiritual atmosphere. Explore landmarks like Bharat Mata Mandir and Durga Temple. Visit Banaras Hindu University and the revered Vishwanath Temple. Venture to Sarnath to explore ancient Buddhist sites, including the Dhamek Stupa and Mulagandha Kuti Vihar, and become immersed in the rich spirituality and cultural heritage of Varanasi and Sarnath.

### DAY 14: RETURN TO DELHI

Enjoy a free morning to relax or explore at your leisure. In the afternoon, fly from Varanasi to Delhi, returning to this bustling capital city. Enjoy a farewell dinner celebrating a remarkable journey.

### DAY 15: FLY DELHI TO IRELAND

Fly to Ireland, arriving home the same, or following day.

## INDIA BY RAIL

## CLASSIC INDIA

## PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Set off on an extraordinary rail adventure through northern India, passing from bustling metropolises to serene countryside, embracing the myriad scenic landscapes, cultures, and traditions that are unfolding through your window.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing Thursday returning Thursday

### 2025 DATES

23 Jan - 06 Feb	€5,370	02 Oct - 16 Oct	€5,370
06 Feb - 20 Feb	€5,370	06 Nov - 20 Nov	€5,370
20 Feb - 06 Mar	€5,370	20 Nov - 04 Dec	€5,370
06 Mar - 20 Mar	€5,370	04 Dec - 18 Dec	€5,370
13 Mar - 27 Mar	€5,370		

### 2026 DATES

08 Jan - 22 Jan	€5,620	01 Oct - 15 Oct	€5,620
05 Feb - 19 Feb	€5,620	15 Oct - 29 Oct	€5,620
05 Mar - 19 Mar	€5,620	29 Oct - 12 Nov	€5,620
12 Mar - 26 Mar	€5,620	19 Nov - 03 Dec	€5,620
02 Apr - 16 Apr	€5,620	26 Nov - 10 Dec	€5,620

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on Dublin departures
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- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from €4,620 (Delhi- Delhi)
- Single room from €1,150
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Experience a Pooja ceremony



# HIGHLIGHTS OF SRI LANKA

- 16 DAYS FROM
- PER PERSON €5,370
- FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM IRELAND
- ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Climb Sigiriya Rock Fortress
- ✓ Explore ancient Sinhalese ruins
- ✓ Discover the delights of Colombo
- ✓ Visit Kandy's sacred temple
- ✓ Spot elephants while on safari
- ✓ See Galle's historic fort



Admire the magnificent 'Lion Rock'

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 14 breakfasts, 13 lunches, 14 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star - 5 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Irish passport holders



Visit Kosgoda Turtle Hatchery

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Tour the wonderful conservation project at Kosgoda, where a specialist turtle hatchery works tirelessly to protect Sri Lanka's native sea turtle species, and meet its residents.
- ▶ In the island's cultural capital, Kandy, enjoy a fun and fascinating cultural performance of traditional Sri Lankan music and dance.
- ▶ In the cooler climes of Sri Lanka's Central Highlands, tour a tea factory and plantation to learn all about the cultivation and production of the refreshing tea grown in the area.

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO COLOMBO

Fly overnight to Colombo. On arrival you will be met by your expert tour guide and transferred to your hotel in the coastal town of Negombo, a short drive from Colombo. The rest of the day is yours to explore.

### DAY 3: EXPLORE SIGIRIYA

This morning travel to Sigiriya, home to the 5th-century UNESCO World Heritage-listed Rock Fortress, 'Lion Rock'. Built by King Kassapa as the centre of his short-lived kingdom, pass between a pair of colossal lion's paws and climb to the top for panoramic views. Explore the surrounding gardens and admire the world-renowned Heavenly Maidens frescoes.

### DAY 4: DISCOVER POLONNARUWA

Explore the ancient city of Polonnaruwa, the capital of a kingdom that ruled the island between the 11th and 13th centuries, with its well-preserved stupas, frescoes and statues. This afternoon, embark on an adventurous jeep safari on Minneriya National Park. Look out for large herds of elephants, sloth bears, leopards and much more wonderful wildlife.

### DAY 5: ANURADHAPURA

Drive to celebrated Anuradhapura. The city's greatest treasures are its dagobas; domes enshrining sacred relics. The most notable is the Ruwanwelisaya Dagoba, dating back to the 2nd century BC, which you will visit today along with the Thuparamaya, said to contain the collarbone of Buddha. You'll also see the sacred Bo Tree, the city's most renowned relic. Bought here 2,250 years ago by the

Emperor Asoka's daughter, it is believed to have grown from a branch of the tree under which Buddha gained enlightenment.

### DAY 6: DAMBULLA ROCK TEMPLE

After breakfast, travel to Dambulla where you will tour the Rock Temple. Dating back to the 1st century BC, the temple is made up of five cave sanctuaries where you'll find some of Sri Lanka's most important Buddha images. Visit a spice garden in Matale where you can see cinnamon, cardamom, pepper creepers and other spice trees growing and watch a cooking demonstration. Continue through majestic hill country to the city of Kandy, Sri Lanka's cultural hub.

### DAY 7: CULTURAL KANDY

This morning, visit the Peradeniya Royal Botanical Gardens. Later, visit the Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic, one of the most revered Buddhist sites in the world. Stolen at Buddha's funeral, the tooth was smuggled into Sri Lanka hidden in the hair of a princess who fled from India. Explore the remains of the Royal Palace, now a museum. This evening you will watch a colourful cultural dance performance.

### DAY 8: NUWARA ELIYA

Board a train that will take you through the tea plantation-covered hills to Nuwara Eliya on one of the world's most picturesque rail journeys. The rest of the day is at leisure.

### DAY 9: TEA PLANTATION

This morning you visit a tea plantation learning how tea is graded. Later this afternoon enjoy a city tour taking in the race course, Hill Club Hotel, Gregory Lake and Sita Amman Kovil.



Search for leopards in Yala National Park



Discover Galle Fort

### DAY 10: UDAWALAWE

Travel to the Elephant Transit Home located near Udawalawe National Park, where abandoned baby elephants are cared for before they are released into the park. Continue to Yala, Sri Lanka's premiere national park.

### DAY 11: YALA NATIONAL PARK

Enjoy morning and afternoon jeep safaris around the park. It is home to elephants, deer and many other mammal species, but most famous for its leopards, whose population density here is among the highest in the world.

### DAY 12: DRIVE TO GALLE

Drive to the Hummanaya Blow Hole, the second largest of its kind in the world. After lunch, continue to Dikwella Wewurukannala Temple, dominated by an image of a seated Buddha that is over 48 metres high. Stop along the way at Weligama where you may see the unique stilt fishermen, an old tradition practised by around 500 fishing families in the region.

### DAY 13: OLD GALLE

Explore the enchanting city of Galle, Sri Lanka's finest colonial treasure. See the lighthouse, the old town and the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Dutch Fort, before wandering charming streets lined with colonial villas, museums, cafes and antique shops.

### DAY 14: KOSGODA TURTLE HATCHERY

Travel to Colombo, stopping at Kosgoda Turtle Hatchery. The hatchery is home to Sri Lanka's pioneering sea turtle conservation project, established in 1981 to protect the local turtle population.

### DAY 15: EXPLORE COLOMBO

Embark on a city tour of Colombo this morning. Explore the Fort district, the historic centre of the city. Wander through Pettah Market. Visit the Dutch Church of Wolvendaal, dating back to 1749, Kelaniya Buddhist Temple, a major pilgrimage site for Buddhist devotees, and Colombo's finest museums. The rest of the day is at leisure.

### DAY 16: FLY COLOMBO TO IRELAND

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Ireland arriving home the same or following day.

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## HIGHLIGHTS OF SRI LANKA

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## PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

An introduction to the beautiful country of Sri Lanka, travel from the rich heritage of the Cultural Triangle through the wilds of Yala National Park to the colonial seaside beauty of Galle.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing Friday returning Saturday

2025 DATES			
31 Jan - 15 Feb	SOLD OUT	24 Oct - 08 Nov	€5,370
28 Feb - 15 Mar	SOLD OUT	07 Nov - 22 Nov	€5,370
14 Mar - 29 Mar	SOLD OUT	21 Nov - 06 Dec	€6,870
11 Apr - 26 Apr	€5,620		
2026 DATES			
23 Jan - 07 Feb	€5,990	16 Oct - 31 Oct	€5,990
13 Feb - 28 Feb	€5,990	23 Oct - 07 Nov	€5,990
20 Feb - 07 Mar	€5,990	06 Nov - 21 Nov	€5,990
13 Mar - 28 Mar	€5,990	20 Nov - 05 Dec	€7,240
10 Apr - 25 Apr	€5,990		

## Flight and supplement information

- Based on Dublin departures
- Regional Ireland departures available
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Visit the Temple of the Tooth in Kandy



# KERALA & THE SOUTHERN HIGHLIGHTS

- 18 DAYS FROM
- PER PERSON €5,120
- FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM IRELAND
- ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Discover vibrant Chennai
- ✓ Ride Ooty's Toy Train
- ✓ Experience Mysore
- ✓ Cool off in the tea plantations
- ✓ Cruise Kerala's backwaters
- ✓ Relax in Kovalam



Enjoy the easy pace of life on Kerala's beautiful backwaters

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 16 breakfasts, 15 lunches, 16 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation, plus houseboat
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Irish passport holders



Enjoy a martial arts demonstration

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Marvel at the strength and agility of Kalaripayattu practitioners at a performance of Kerala's traditional art form. This old martial art combines defensive steps and stances with weaponry such as daggers, spears, maces and bows and arrows.
- ▶ Hosted by a local family in their home, take part in a cooking demonstration of tasty, traditional treats, learning the skills and techniques needed to prepare delicious Keralan dishes.
- ▶ Glimpse the traditional lifestyle of Kerala's fisher-folk with a visit to Kumbalangi, where you can see the villagers going about their day to day activities and discover traditional handicrafts.

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO CHENNAI

Fly overnight to the city of Chennai and transfer to your hotel. The rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 3: DISCOVER MAMALLAPURAM

After breakfast and tour introduction, you will travel to Mamallapuram. On arrival you will explore this coastal temple town, seeing the fascinating 7th and 8th-century rock carvings, enigmatically called 'Descent of the Ganges'.

### DAY 4: CHENNAI CITY

Return to Chennai, formerly known as Madras. This city was developed as a British trading post and is home to a number of colonial sights. A city tour begins at the 13-kilometre Marina Beach before a stop at Fort St. George and the British-built St. Mary's Church. The final stop is the colourful Shiva Kapaleeswarar Temple.

### DAY 5: TRAIN TO BANGALORE

Rise early to catch the Shatabdi Express to the garden city of Bangalore, where you will enjoy an afternoon city tour to see the Bull Temple, Tipu Sultan's Palace and Vidhana Soudha.

### DAY 6: MYSORE

Head to Mysore, stopping at Srirangapatna Fort en route. Visit the magnificent Maharaja's Palace and drive to Chamundi Hill to admire the 12th-century Sri Chamundeshwari Temple and Nandi Bull. Tonight, enjoy a traditional cooking demonstration hosted by a local family.

### DAY 7: DRIVE TO OOTY

Today you will journey to the hill station of Ooty, one of three Nilgiri stations, that sits high above the southern plains. Visit the Botanical gardens, taking an uphill walk to visit a small village, gaining insight into the lives of the local people.

### DAY 8: TOY TRAIN TO COONOR

All aboard the miniature, popular 'Toy Train' to Coonoor, where you will be surrounded with spectacular mountain views. Spend time walking around and appreciating the beauty of this quieter, less famous hill station before returning to Ooty.

### DAY 9: TRAVEL TO COIMBATORE

Drive to Coimbatore. On arrival, explore the sights of the city, taking in Sri Svetambra Vimalanther Jain Temple, St Michael's Cathedral and the Athar Jamid Mosque.

### DAY 10: MUNNAR

Travel to Munnar, a hill station enveloped by lush tea plantations. In the afternoon visit a tea plantation and the Tata Tea Museum.

### DAY 11: TRAVEL TO THEKKADY

Today explore Eravikulam National Park where you will have the opportunity to spot the local wildlife (closed Feb-Apr, when an alternative light trek will be available). Continue your journey to Thekkady, home of Periyar National Park and Wildlife Sanctuary.

### DAY 12: PERIYAR WILDLIFE RESERVE

Though designated as a Tiger Reserve in 1978, the Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary is best known for its elephants. Take a walk through the reserve, keeping an eye out for its resident elephant



See the Shore Temple in Mamallapuram



Enjoy the 'Toy Train' ride to Ooty

population, as well as wild dogs, barking deer, mouse deer and the elusive Bengal tiger. Visit a spice village before enjoying a traditional Kalaripayattu (martial art) show this evening.

### DAY 13: DRIVE TO KOCHI

Travel to the coastal town of Kochi. This evening enjoy an exuberant Kathakali dance performance.

### DAY 14: EXPLORE KOCHI

Set off on a full day tour of Kochi. Start at St. Francis Church, the first European church built in India, before a visit to Santa Cruz Basilica. Nearby, see the Chinese fishing nets - the fishermen will demonstrate how they work while your guide explains the mechanics. Finish the day in the Jewish Quarter admiring the synagogue and a stroll through local markets.

### DAY 15: BACKWATERS CRUISING

Travel to Kumarakom, stopping en route at Kumbalangi, a village created to highlight the lifestyle of fisher-folk in the area. Later board your houseboat, a converted rice barge known as a kettuvallam. Sit back and watch life on the water and the surrounding, untouched wilderness as you cruise unhurriedly along the canals. A delicious dinner of traditional cuisine will be served on board before spending a comfortable night on the water.



See Sri Padmanabhaswamy Temple

### DAY 16: DISCOVER TRIVANDRUM

Have breakfast onboard before disembarking and heading for the beach town of Kovalam. Stop on the way in Kerala's capital Trivandrum to explore. Visit Sri Padmanabhaswamy Temple, the Observatory and Sri Chitra Art Gallery to name a few.

### DAY 17: RELAX IN KOVALAM

This morning take a walking tour of the town and visit the lighthouse. The rest of the day is yours to relax or head to the beach, before a farewell dinner this evening.

### DAY 18: FLY TO IRELAND

Fly to Ireland, arriving home the same, or following day.

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## KERALA & SOUTHERN HIGHLIGHTS

## CLASSIC INDIA

## PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Southern India offers an intensely tropical and laidback experience compared to the north. Travel from the stunning hill stations to the tranquil backwaters on this in-depth journey.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing Wednesday returning Saturday

### 2025 DATES

12 Feb - 01 Mar	€5,120	29 Oct - 15 Nov	€5,120
05 Mar - 22 Mar	€5,120	12 Nov - 29 Nov	€5,120
22 Oct - 08 Nov	€5,120		

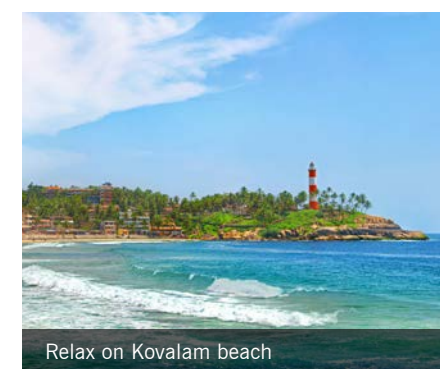
### 2026 DATES

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11 Feb - 28 Feb	€5,370	28 Oct - 14 Nov	€5,370
04 Mar - 21 Mar	€5,370	11 Nov - 28 Nov	€5,370
16 Sep - 03 Oct	€5,370		

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on Dublin departures
- Regional Ireland departures available
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from €4,240 (Chennai - Trivandrum)
- Single room from €1,370
- Tipping paid locally US\$96

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Relax on Kovalam beach



# RAJASTHAN PANORAMA

- 22 DAYS FROM
- PER PERSON €5,490
- FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM IRELAND
- ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Explore magnificent hill forts
- ✓ Take a desert safari
- ✓ Wander the 'Blue City'
- ✓ Discover romantic Udaipur
- ✓ See sacred Pushkar
- ✓ Safari through Ranthambore

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 20 breakfasts, 19 lunches, 20 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Irish passport holders



Enjoy a rickshaw ride in Bikaner

## ► AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Ride on a rickshaw through the hustle and bustle of Bikaner's bazaar, taking in the sights, sounds and smells of this atmospheric market place and watching the locals go about their day to day life.
- Embark on an exhilarating jeep safari through the stark landscapes of the Thar Desert venturing out to Bishnoi for a village visit, where you'll see local life and the practice of traditional handicrafts.
- Enjoy a cruise on Lake Pichola, passing the magnificent Lake Palace and admiring the majestic architecture that lines the lake's shores.



Admire Taj Lake Palace on Lake Pichola, Udaipur

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO DELHI

Fly overnight to Delhi and transfer to Gurgaon for an overnight stay. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is at leisure.

### DAY 3: ALSISAR HERITAGE TOWN

Cross into Rajasthan and travel to the town of Alsisar. This small town is full of traditional frescoes, mansions and cenotaphs and even has a castle. Stay overnight in a beautifully restored haveli.

### DAY 4: EXPLORE BIKANER

Travel to the vibrant town of Bikaner. Surrounded by the Thar Desert, Bikaner is dominated by its magnificent fort, a complex of ornate buildings and halls, which you'll explore. Then, take a rickshaw ride through the buzzing streets of the old city bazaar. Continue to Gajner.

### DAYS 5-6: DISCOVER JAISALMER

Rising from the sandy plains of the Thar Desert, Jaisalmer is known as the 'Golden City', nicknamed for its honey-coloured walls. Browse the local markets and visit Sunset Point. Spend the next morning amongst the magnificence of Jaisalmer's 12th-century fort, full of palaces, temples and mansions. Later, travel to the Sam Sand Dunes where you view the sunset and enjoy a ride on a camel.

### DAY 7: THAR DESERT SAFARI

Venture on through the Thar Desert to Manvar. Here, enjoy a jeep safari to the local Bishnoi villages and get to know the locals. Spend the night in a tented desert camp (mid-Oct to mid-Apr) or the Manvar Resort.

### DAYS 8-9: JODHPUR

Today, drive to Jodhpur where you'll spend the next two days exploring. Much of Jodhpur's old town is a vivid blue, earning in the moniker the 'Blue City'. While here you'll take a city tour visiting Jaswant Thada, the royal cremation grounds, explore the magnificence of the hilltop Mehrangarh Fort and head to the small museum housed in the impressive Umaid Bhawan Palace.

### DAYS 10-11: EXPLORE UDAIPUR

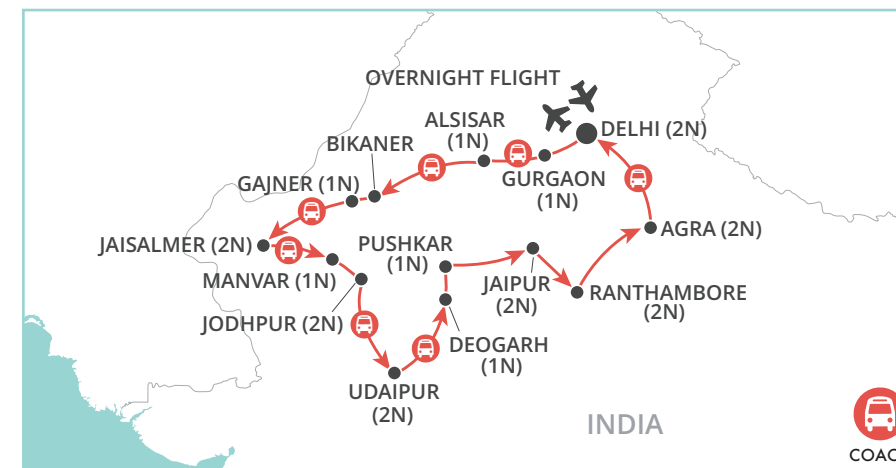
Travel to Udaipur via the Jain temple complex of Ranakpur and Surya Temple. India's most romantic city, Udaipur is located on Lake Pichola and surrounded by wooded hills; a maze of palaces, temples and colourful alleyways. The next day drive around Fateh Sagar Lake as well as the Folk Museum, Mewar Art Gallery, Sahelion Ki Bari Garden and the ornate City Palace. Later take a cruise on Lake Pichola passing the magical Lake Palace.

### DAY 12: RAJASTHAN COUNTRYSIDE

Drive to Deogarh, stopping en route to visit the Eklinji and Nathdwara temples. This evening wander through the bustling streets and enjoy a lavish 'royal experience' - a special dinner attended by members of the Deogarh royal family.

### DAY 13: EXPLORE PUSHKAR

This morning, board a train for a ride through the hills to Phulad, then continue by road to Pushkar. Set on the banks of one of India's most sacred lakes, this holy city has 52 ghats used for worship by Hindu pilgrims. Take a walking tour and admire the Brahma Temple.



Discover Gadi Sagar Lake

### DAY 14: JAIPUR

Travel to Jaipur, the 'Pink City' and Rajasthan's capital. On arrival, visit the Maharaja's City Palace and Jantar Mantar Observatory, a fascinating collection of wonderful astrological instruments.

### DAY 15: HAWA MAHAL & AMBER FORT

Begin the day at Hawa Mahal, the 'Palace of the Winds', before travelling out of the city to admire the majestic Amber Fort. Back in Jaipur, try block painting and carpet weaving before enjoying a traditional dinner and dance performance.

### DAYS 16-17: RANTHAMBORE

Travel to Ranthambore National Park, home to around 50 majestic Bengal tigers and a wealth of other wildlife. The next day, you will have both morning and afternoon safaris, the perfect opportunity to spot many magnificent creatures.

### DAY 18: TRAVEL TO AGRA

Today travel to Agra, stopping en route at Bharatpur for lunch and visit Fatehpur Sikri, tomb of Salim Chistic, and Panch Mahal Palace.

### DAY 19: THE TAJ MAHAL

Wake early to see the sun rise over one of the world's most perfect buildings. At dawn the Taj Mahal is often swathed in mist and tinged pink by the rising sun - a magical experience. This afternoon visit the colossal Agra Fort.

### DAY 20: DELHI

Travel by road back to Delhi and visit Qutub Minar, Iron Pillar and the Lotus Temple.

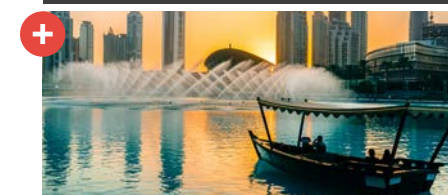
### DAY 21: VIBRANT DELHI

A city of equal chaos and charm, Delhi grabs you and doesn't let go! Explore a vast spice market and admire Jama Masjid, India Gate and Parliament House.

### DAY 22: FLY DELHI TO IRELAND

Fly to Ireland, arriving home the same, or following day.

## EXTEND YOUR STAY...



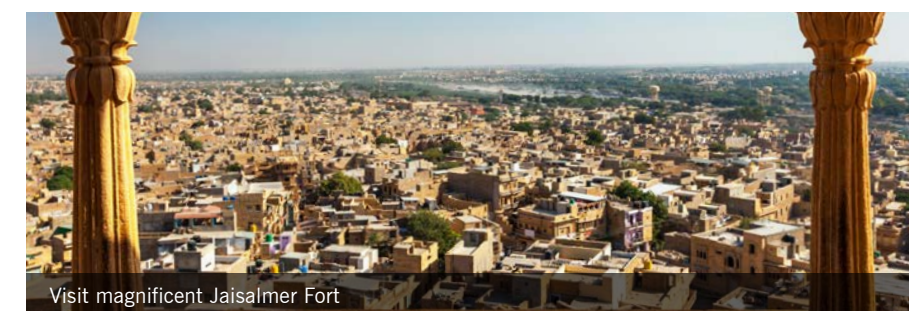
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## RAJASTHAN PANORAMA

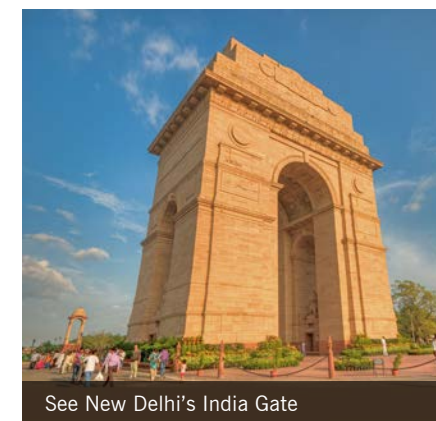
## CLASSIC INDIA

## PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

This journey through Rajasthan, the land of extravagant forts and palaces, allows wildlife and architecture lovers alike to experience safaris, deserts (with a night in a traditional desert camp) and colourful cities.



See New Delhi's India Gate

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing Wednesday returning Wednesday

### 2025 DATES

19 Feb - 12 Mar	€5,490	01 Oct - 22 Oct	€5,490
05 Mar - 26 Mar	€5,490	15 Oct - 05 Nov	€5,490
19 Mar - 09 Apr	€5,490	05 Nov - 26 Nov	€5,490
17 Sep - 08 Oct	€5,490		

### 2026 DATES

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### Flight and supplement information

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Kevin & Shirley Mears





# EXTENSIONS & STOPOVERS

Make your trip of a lifetime even more memorable by extending your tour, or adding a stopover en route. An extension will allow you to delve even deeper into a region, explore a whole other country, or even give you the chance to relax on a beautiful beach. A stopover on the other hand is an easy way to not only break up your journey, but a great way to add a few days in a buzzing, cosmopolitan metropolis to your travel itinerary.

Most of the extensions and stopovers that you'll find in the following pages are available to be added onto any of our tours. Just ask your reservations consultant for more information on how to do just that.

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Jeju Island Extension

80 Mui Ne Beach

Sapa Extension

81 Bangkok Extension

Laos Extension

82 Dubai Stopover

84 Hong Kong Stopover



# GREAT WALL HIKE

3 DAYS

TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ See stunning rural scenery
- ✓ Stay in Gubei Watertown
- ✓ Walk the Jinshanling and Gubeikou sections of the Great Wall



Hike from Gubeikou to Jinshanling

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	€1,080	€1,820

Price includes:

- Accommodation (1 night Beijing, 1 night Gubei Watertown)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees

DAY 1: ARRIVE BEIJING

Make your way to Beijing airport or railway station. Upon arrival, you will be met by your local guide and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 2: GUBEIKOU – JINSHANLING HIKE

This morning, transfer to the Gubeikou section of the Great Wall, a stretch much less frequented by tourists than others. From here, start your hike towards Jinshanling; you will be walking for around 5-6 hours over a distance of 10 kilometres. Gubeikou is a rough and wild section of the Great Wall, while Jinshanling is known for its beautiful brickwork and watchtowers. Both sections offer some of the best views in China. The walk intersects a military base and you will therefore take a detour off the wall around the base, stopping at a farmhouse for lunch.

After finishing your hike, transfer to Gubei Watertown for an overnight stay. After dinner, explore the Simatai section of the Great Wall at night. Much of Simatai Great Wall has not been restored and offers a fantastic insight into years gone by. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: GUBEI WATERTOWN

Spend the morning discovering the delights of Gubei Watertown. Built in the style of a Chinese ancient town, Gubei is nestled beside the Simatai section of the Great Wall and encompasses the beautiful Mandarin Duck Lake Reservoir. After lunch, return to your hotel in Beijing where arrangements end. (B,L)

# LHASA EXTENSION

4 DAYS

TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Explore the Potala Palace
- ✓ Wander the Barkhor Circuit
- ✓ Admire Jokhang Temple
- ✓ Visit the Sera Monastery



Gaze at the Potala Palace

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	€1,120	€2,030
Deluxe	€1,350	€2,490

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Lhasa)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees
- Tibet entry permit

DAY 1: ARRIVE IN LHASA

Make your way to Lhasa airport or railway station. Upon arrival, you will be met by your local guide and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure to allow for acclimatisation.

DAY 2: SACRED LHASA

Sightseeing today includes a stroll around Barkhor Circuit where traditional dress, market stalls selling religious trinkets, and the sound of chanted prayers by locals and pilgrims alike create a fascinating and vibrant atmosphere. At the heart of Barkhor, visit Tibet's most sacred temple, the 7th-century Jokhang Temple, before heading to Sera Monastery which has around 600 resident monks. (B,L)

DAY 3: POTALA PALACE

Explore the 'crown jewel' of Tibet – the Potala Palace. The palace is an architectural wonder that towers over the city, with thousands of rooms filled with treasures such as intricate shrines and beautiful frescoes. Later, visit Norbulingka, the former summer residence of the Dalai Lama, home to several palaces and chapels. (B,L)

DAY 4: DEPART LHASA

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport or railway station for your onward journey. (B)

# ZHANGJIAJIE EXTENSION

4 DAYS

TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Gaze on Zhangjiajie's pinnacles
- ✓ Admire peaceful Lake Baofeng
- ✓ Explore Mount Tianmen
- ✓ Discover Huanglong cave



Explore Zhangjiajie National Park

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	€1,100	€1,730
Deluxe	€1,280	€1,920

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Zhangjiajie)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees

DAY 1: ARRIVE ZHANGJIAJIE

Make your way to Zhangjiajie airport or railway station. Upon arrival, you will be met by your local guide and transferred to your hotel. Embark on a night tour of the '72 Qilou', exploring its weird and wonderful architecture.

DAY 2: EXPLORE ZHANGJIAJIE

Enjoy a full day of exploring Zhangjiajie National Park. Begin at the Yuanjiajie Scenic Area and make your way around the karst scenery. Ride the Bailong glass elevator up to Mihun Stage and enjoy amazing views of the majestic peaks, including the 'First Bridge under the Sun' and Hallelujah Mountain. Continue to Emperor Mountain to visit Helong Park. Take a cable car down and head to Jinbian Stream and Ten-Mile Natural Gallery. You will be walking for around

4-5 hours in the park. End the day with a sampan cruise on Lake Baofeng. (B,L)

DAY 3: HUANGLONG CAVE

Explore the colourful stalagmites and stalactites of the Huanglong Cave. Then, brace yourself for an exhilarating walk across Zhangjiajie's Glass Bridge, the world's longest and highest glass-bottomed bridge stretching 430-metres over the Grand Canyon. (B,L)

DAY 4: MOUNT TIANMEN

Take a cable car to the beautiful Mount Tianmen and walk on the thrilling glass skywalk. Visit Tianmen Cave, nicknamed 'Heaven's Door' and Jun Sheng Sandstone painting gallery. Later, transfer to the airport or railway station for your onward journey. (B,L)

# NINE VILLAGES VALLEY

4 DAYS

TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Spend two days discovering Jiuzhaigou National Park
- ✓ Explore Huanglong Valley



Admire crystal clear lakes in Nine Villages Valley

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	€1,930	€3,050
Deluxe	€2,330	€3,870

Price includes:

- Accommodation (1 night Chengdu, 2 nights Jiuzhaigou)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees

Note: Huanglong is only accessible from 1 April to 31 October.

DAY 1: ARRIVE CHENGDU

Make your way to Chengdu airport or railway station. Upon arrival, you will be met by your local guide and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 2: NINE VILLAGES VALLEY

Bullet train to Jiuzhaigou. Upon arrival, transfer to the UNESCO World Heritage listed site of Nine Villages Valley visiting Huanglong Scenic Area en route. Located in the southern part of Minshan mountain range, the area is known for its colourful pools of limestone formations, snow-clad mountains, diverse forest ecosystems, pristine waterfalls and hot springs. (B,D)

DAY 3: NINE VILLAGES VALLEY

Explore the 16-kilometre Nine Villages Valley, a botanical gallery that is heavily forested and home to many protected species. Entering the valley is like being transported into a different world, where crystal clear lakes gather at the foot of every waterfall. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: DEPART CHENGDU

Return by road to Jiuzhaigou railway station for your onward bullet train to Chengdu. Your arrangements end on arrival. (B)



# CLASSIC TAIWAN

5 DAYS

TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ See bustling Taipei
- ✓ Visit Ita Thao aboriginal village
- ✓ Relax at Sun Moon Lake
- ✓ Uncover ancient Tainan



Visit Wen Wu Temple

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	€1,320	€2,450
Superior	€1,450	€2,740
Deluxe	€1,690	€3,190

Price includes:

- Accommodation (2 nights Taipei, 1 night Sun Moon Lake, 1 night Tainan)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees



Relax at Sun Moon Lake



Visit the Confucius Temple

## ITINERARY

DAY 1: ARRIVE TAIPEI

Make your way to Taipei, Taiwan's capital. Upon arrival, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. Taipei is a laidback and vibrant city that, as well as being packed with the upmarket and ultramodern, is a bastion of Taiwan's wonderfully rich heritage. Its beauty lies in its blend of Chinese culture with a curious fusion of Japanese and Southeast Asian influences.

DAY 2: TAIPEI TO SUN MOON LAKE

Depart Taipei to journey into the heart of the island to what is arguably Taiwan's most scenic spot – Sun Moon Lake. At an altitude of 762 metres, this large body of fresh water is one of the island's most lovely natural vistas, popular for hiking and biking. Here, visit the impressive Wen Wu Temple adorned with red and gold features, Holy Monk Shrine, Tze-En Pagoda which offers breathtaking views over the lake and the aboriginal village of Ita Thao. Stay overnight at Sun Moon Lake. (B)

DAY 3: SUN MOON LAKE TO TAINAN

Travel south to Tainan, the ancient capital of Taiwan, rich in preserved historical sites and cultural relics. Take a walking tour around Anping Fort, which was established by the Dutch East India Company in the 17th century, though what you see today is a reconstruction. Wander down some of the most historical streets in the city, catching a glimpse of the Tainan of times-gone-by. Also visit Chihkan Tower, built in 1653 by Dutch colonisers and stop at the Confucius Temple. Stay overnight in Tainan. (B)

DAY 4: TAINAN TO TAIPEI

Travel back to Taipei by high-speed train. Stop by the CKS Memorial Hall to see the Changing of the Guards ceremony and visit the 18th-century Longshan Temple. Take a photo stop at the world-famous Taipei 101. Towering above the city like the gigantic bamboo stalk it was designed to resemble, Taipei 101 is impossible to miss. Also explore Martyr's Shrine and the National Palace Museum, home to the world's largest and finest collection of Chinese art and artefacts including paintings, calligraphy, bronzes, lacquerware, ceramics, jade and religious objects. Enjoy the evening at leisure and perhaps visit one of the many markets on offer to experience local life in the city at night. (B)

DAY 5: DEPART TAIPEI

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

# TAIPEI EXTENSION

4 DAYS

TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Discover bustling Taipei
- ✓ Ascend Taipei 101
- ✓ Explore the National Palace Museum
- ✓ See Longshan Temple

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	€600	€1,150
Superior	€630	€1,240
Deluxe	€770	€1,480

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Taipei)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees



Explore vibrant Taipei

DAY 1: ARRIVE TAIPEI

Make your way to Taipei, Taiwan's capital. Upon arrival, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. Taipei is a laidback and vibrant city that, as well as being packed with the upmarket and ultramodern, is a bastion of Taiwan's wonderfully rich heritage. Its beauty lies in its blend of Chinese culture with a curious fusion of Japanese and Southeast Asian influences.

DAY 2: TAIPEI

Your guide will meet you at your hotel in Tapei to commence your tour. Start with a visit to the Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall, a monument dedicated to the former leader. Next, ascend to the observation deck at Taipei 101 for a birds-eye view over this sprawling city. Later, explore Longshan

Temple and then Dihua Street known for its many Chinese medicine shops. Finish the day at the National Palace Museum to admire the Chinese imperial collections and Martyr's Shrine before returning to your hotel. (B)

DAY 3: TAIPEI

Enjoy the day at leisure to explore the many sights and sounds of Taipei. (B)

DAY 4: DEPART TAIPEI

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

# TAROKO & SUN MOON LAKE

4 DAYS

TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Explore Taroko National Park
- ✓ Tour the Gorge Gateway
- ✓ See Eternal Spring Shrine
- ✓ Relax at Sun Moon Lake

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	€1,040	€1,990
Superior	€1,200	€2,290
Deluxe	€1,470	€2,820

Price includes:

- Accommodation (1 night Taipei, 1 night Taroko, 1 night Sun Moon Lake)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees



Discover the Eternal Spring Shrine

DAY 1: ARRIVE TAIPEI

Make your way to Taipei, Taiwan's capital. Upon arrival, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 2: TAROKO NATIONAL PARK & GORGE GATEWAY

Transfer by road to Taroko National Park, driving along the breathtaking east coast cliff highway, taking a photo stop en route at Chingshui Cliff to enjoy the splendid scenery of the Pacific Ocean. Upon arrival at Taroko National Park, enjoy a tour of the Taroko Gorge Gateway and Eternal Spring Shrine. (B)

DAY 3: SUN MOON LAKE

This morning, travel to Sun Moon Lake driving along the central cross island highway on Mt Hehuan where you will have panoramic views over the central mountain ranges. Upon arrival at Sun Moon Lake, visit Wen Wu Temple, Holy Monk Shrine, Ita Thao Village and Tze-En Pagoda. (B)

DAY 4: DEPART TAIPEI

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer 3-hours to Taipei for your onward flight. An additional night in Taipei may be required depending on your flight time. (B)



# CLASSIC SOUTH KOREA

5 DAYS

### TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ See Gyeongbok Palace
- ✓ Taste delicious Korean street food
- ✓ Explore historic Gyeongju
- ✓ Admire UNESCO-listed Bulguksa Temple



Discover the Bulguksa Temple and Seokguram Grotto

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	€2,800	€4,870
Superior	€3,050	€5,120
Deluxe	€3,620	€5,680

#### Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Seoul, 1 night Gyeongju)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees



Visit Bulguksa Temple



Enjoy delicious street food

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: ARRIVE SEOUL

Make your way to Seoul, South Korea's capital. Upon arrival, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. This dynamic city may be well and truly on fast-forward for everything from fashion to technology, but it is still deeply rooted in tradition. Stumble upon temples and palaces amongst the glittering skyscrapers and neon billboards and enjoy Seoul's foodie credentials – the street snacks are second to none!

### DAY 2: EXPLORE SEOUL

Take a full day to explore some of Seoul's many treasures with a local guide. Start at Gyeongbok Palace, the country's most famous and beautiful royal palace, where, as well as exploring, you will see the Royal Guard Changing Ceremony. Next, visit symbolic Namsan Park and N Seoul Tower before heading to Gwangjang Market to taste some of Seoul's best street food. This evening you have the option of watching a traditional music and dance performance at Korea House (payable locally). (B)

### DAY 3: HISTORIC GYEONGJU

Meet your driver-guide and transfer to Seoul station. Travel on the KTX bullet train to Gyeongju. Located in the southeastern corner of North Gyeongsang Province, this city was the ancient capital of the Silla Kingdom, which ruled part of the Korean peninsula from the year 57BC to 935AD. Gyeongju is a living museum, home to a staggering amount of heritage sites, from tombs and temples to pagodas and palaces. On arrival, meet your driver

and start discovering historic Gyeongju. Head to Mount Tohamsan and the UNESCO World Heritage listed site – Bulguksa Temple and Seokguram Grotto. The temple is considered a masterpiece of Silla architecture whilst Seokguram Grotto, a hermitage, is home to some of the world's best Buddhist sculptures. There will also be time to enjoy the vistas around Bomun Lake. Stay overnight in Gyeongju. (B,L)

### DAY 4: RETURN TO SEOUL

Meet your driver-guide to further explore Gyeongju. Start at the National Museum and marvel at its collection of Silla relics. Continue to Tumuli Park with its many royal tombs before heading to the 7th-century Cheomseongdae Observatory, the oldest surviving observatory in East Asia. Finally, visit Anapji Pond. Return by bullet train to Seoul where the evening is at leisure. (B,L)

### DAY 5: DEPART SEOUL

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

# SEOUL EXTENSION

4 DAYS

### TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Discover bustling Seoul
- ✓ See Gyeongbok Palace
- ✓ Visit the National Folk Museum
- ✓ Explore Namdaemun Market

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	€830	€1,140
Superior	€950	€1,240
Deluxe	€1,580	€1,890

#### Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Seoul)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Seat-in-coach touring with guides and entrance fees



Enjoy panoramic views over Seoul

### DAY 1: ARRIVE SEOUL

Make your way to Seoul, South Korea's capital. Upon arrival, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. This dynamic city may be well and truly on fast-forward for everything from fashion to technology, but it is still deeply rooted in tradition – you'll find yourself stumbling upon temples and palaces amongst the glittering skyscrapers and neon billboards. Seoul is also the place for foodies, the street snacks are second to none!

### DAY 2: SEOUL

Make your own way to the pick-up point to begin your full day seat-in-coach tour of the city. Start at Gyeongbok Palace, where, as well as exploring, you will see the Royal

Guard Changing Ceremony. Next, head to the Exhibition Hall and enjoy some free time for lunch. Take a stroll along Insadong Street, browse the stalls at Gwangjang Market and a visit to N Seoul Tower for panoramic views over the city ends the day. Drop-off will be at Myeongdong, and from there you can make your own way back to the hotel. *Itinerary will vary if this day falls on a Tuesday.* (B)

### DAY 3: SEOUL

Enjoy the day at leisure to explore the many sights and sounds of Seoul. (B)

### DAY 4: DEPART SEOUL

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

# JEJU ISLAND EXTENSION

4 DAYS

### TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Explore Hallim Park
- ✓ Take a stroll on Hyeopjuae Beach
- ✓ Visit impressive Sunrise Peak
- ✓ Explore Jeju Stone Park

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	€620	€740
Superior	€1,120	€1,240
Deluxe	€1,240	€1,370

#### Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Jeju Island)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Seat-in-coach touring with guides and entrance fees

Note: A domestic flight is required for this extension at a supplement and the price will be confirmed at the time of booking.



Explore beautiful Jeju Island

### DAY 1: ARRIVE JEJU ISLAND

Make your way to South Korea's largest island, Jeju. Upon arrival, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

### DAY 2: EXPLORE JEJU ISLAND

Make your own way to the pick-up point to begin your full day seat-in-coach tour of Jeju Island (west course). Begin at Hyeopjuae Beach, then continue to Hallim Park to see its sub-tropical gardens and mysterious lava caves. After lunch, see O'Sulloc green tea field and Mt Songak. Also visit Cheonjeyeon Waterfalls or Teddy Bear Museum. Drop-off will be at the pick-up point, and from there you can make your own way back to the hotel. *Itinerary will differ if the weather is bad.* (B,L)

### DAY 3: MORE TIME IN JEJU ISLAND

Make your own way to the pick-up point to begin your second full day seat-in-coach tour of Jeju Island (east course). Begin the day exploring Jeomul Forest, followed by a visit to Seongeup Folk Village. After lunch, witness the work of the Haenyeo, Jeju's female divers who harvest shellfish for a living. Afterwards, head to Seongsan Sunrise Peak before going on to explore Jeju Stone Park. Drop-off will be at the same place as the pick-up point, and from there you can make your own way back to the hotel. *Itinerary will differ if the weather is bad.* (B,L)

### DAY 4: DEPART JEJU ISLAND

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)



# MUI NE BEACH

4 DAYS

One of Vietnam's most accessible beaches, Mui Ne is a gorgeous strip of coastline that has something for everyone! From action-packed pursuits like kite-surfing to quaint local fishing villages to visit, this town is more than just sun and sand.

DAY 1: ARRIVE MUI NE

Travel by road from Saigon to the beautiful beaches of Mui Ne. Check in to your hotel and spend the rest of the day at leisure.

DAY 2: MUI NE SAND DUNES

Spend the morning at leisure before embarking on a trip to explore Mui Ne's huge sand dunes. Then, head north to Fairy Spring, an idyllic stream before a visit to a nearby fishing village where you can observe local life. (B)

DAY 3: MUI NE FREE DAY

Spend your free time in Mui Ne relaxing. (B)

DAY 4: DEPART MUI NE

After a last dip in the sea, travel to Saigon airport by private transfer. (B)



Relax on Mui Ne Beach

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	€870	€1,680
Deluxe	€920	€1,820

Flight supplements may apply

Price includes	
• Accommodation (3 nights Mui Ne)	• Touring as stated
• Meals as stated	• Airport transfers
• Entrance fees	

# SAPA

4 DAYS

Overlooking a valley of picturesque terraced rice fields, Sapa is the perfect place to immerse yourself in both scenic beauty and culture, and to embark on a trek through the spectacular countryside.

DAY 1: TRAVEL TO SAPA

Transfer around five hours from your hotel in Hanoi to beautiful Sapa town, a vibrant settlement nestled in an area of verdant rolling hills. The rest of your day is at leisure.

DAY 2: WATERFALLS & MOUNTAINS

Travel a short distance through mountainous scenery to Hoang Lien National Park and visit Silver Waterfall, Love Waterfall and Heaven's Gate. There'll be a lovely stop for a refreshment – a cup of tea at a local orchard. (B)

DAY 3: HILLTRIBES

Today visit Ta Van, a small Giay village, an area that is home to local hilltribe communities. Walk through the scenic rice terraces to learn about the traditional life and culture of the Black Hmong people. (B,L)

DAY 4: DEPART SAPA

Spend the morning at leisure before your transfer back to Hanoi airport. (B)



Explore the rice fields of Sapa

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	€980	€1,990
Deluxe	€1,240	€2,430

Flight supplements may apply

Price includes	
• Accommodation (3 nights Sapa)	• Meals as stated
• Touring as stated	• Transfers as stated
• Entrance fees	

# BANGKOK

4 DAYS

Thailand's capital is an atmospheric, energetic metropolis full of character. Join a fascinating city tour where you'll discover some of Bangkok's rich heritage before visiting the infamous Bridge over the River Kwai and riding on the Death Railway.

DAY 1: ARRIVE IN BANGKOK

Arrive in Bangkok and transfer from the airport to your hotel. You'll feel the energy of this rambunctious city straight away, so why not use the rest of the day to begin your explorations?

DAY 2: BANGKOK CITY TOUR

Embark on a city tour of Bangkok. Visit the glittering Wat Pho temple and the spectacular Grand Palace before jumping into a long tail boat for a ride on the Chao Phraya River to Pak Klong Talaat Flower Market before dinner. (B,D)

DAY 3: RIVER KWAI & HELLFIRE PASS

Head three hours out of Bangkok to Kanchanaburi Province, which is home to the infamous Bridge over the River Kwai and the 'Death Railway'. See the Allied War Cemetery and walk through Hellfire Pass and the Memorial Museum. Return to Bangkok. (B,L)

DAY 4: DEPART BANGKOK

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast before checking out of the hotel. The rest of the day is free to spend as you wish before transferring to Bangkok airport. (B)



Visit Wat Pho in Bangkok

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	€730	€1,340
Deluxe	€1,070	€2,090

Price includes	
• Accommodation (3 nights Bangkok)	• Meals as stated
• Touring as stated	• Airport transfers
• Entrance fees	

# LAOS

5 DAYS

The perfect introduction to the magic of Laos, explore the country's cultural heart, Luang Prabang, home to golden temples and colonial beauty, and laidback, charming capital city Vientiane.

DAY 1: ARRIVE LUANG PRABANG

Arrive in Luang Prabang, the cultural heart of Laos. Board a tuk tuk for a first look at the city, from Wat Xieng Thong, to Wat Mai and the National Museum. (D)

DAY 2: KUANG SI WATERFALLS

After breakfast, travel south to the scenic Kuang Si Waterfalls, stopping en route at the Living Crafts Centre and a sanctuary for rescued sun bears. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: PAK OU CAVES

Cruise along the Mekong River to visit the Pak Ou Caves,

with stops at a local village for lunch before cruising back to Luang Prabang. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: FLY TO VIENTIANE

Board an early flight to Vientiane, Laos' laid-back capital. Visit Wat Si Saket, Wat Phra Keo, That Luang Stupa and the Patuxai Victory Monument. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: DEPART VIENTIANE

Today, visit the weird and wonderful Buddha Park. Home to more than 200 intriguing statues, it's a must see before heading to the airport for your onward flight. (B)



Visit Wat Pha That Luang

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Superior	€1,190	€2,040
Deluxe	€1,320	€2,740

Flight supplements may apply

Price includes	
• Accommodation (3 nights Luang Prabang, 1 night Vientiane)	• Meals as stated
• Touring and entrance fees	• Airport transfers
	• Domestic flight (Luang Prabang - Vientiane)



# DUBAI STOPOVERS

Dubai is the ultimate urban destination – a city full of cutting-edge architecture, epic shopping malls, the finest of the world’s luxury hotels and a cosmopolitan nightlife, all topped off with excellent beaches. As modern and extravagant as Dubai might be, there is still plenty of rich and traditional culture to be found, particularly amongst the labyrinthine alleys of the old city.



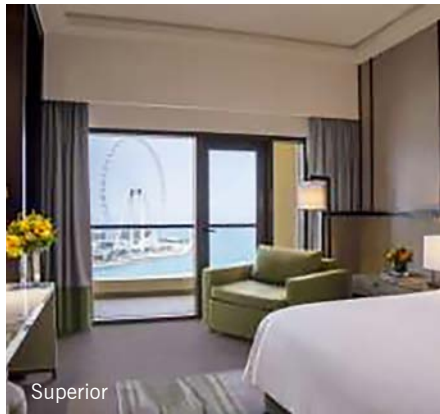
Admire the ultra-modern architecture of downtown Dubai

## DUBAI HOTELS



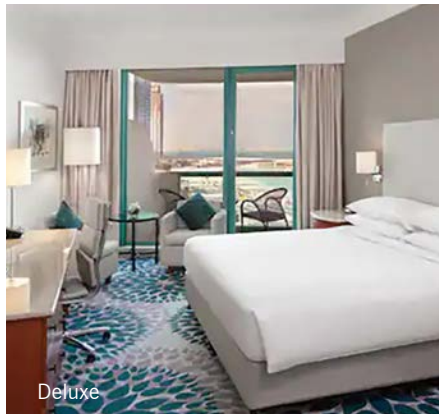
Standard

**CANOPY BY HILTON DUBAI AL SEEF ★★★★★**  
Canopy by Hilton Dubai Al Seef is a contemporary new hotel located beside Dubai Creek, steps away from the boardwalk, which means you are spoilt for choice of shops and restaurants. The view from the rooftop pool is simply superb.



Superior

**AMWAJ ROTANA HOTEL ★★★★★**  
Located on ‘The Walk’, the Amwaj Rotana is well situated for shopping and entertainment. Walking distance to the Arabian Gulf beaches, the hotel facilities include an outdoor pool, three restaurants and wellness centre.



Deluxe

**HILTON DUBAI JUMEIRAH HOTEL ★★★★★+**  
Ideally located on a private beach in Dubai Marina, the Hilton Dubai Jumeirah is where contemporary luxury meets the timeless charms of the Arabian Gulf. Facilities include a spa and water sports.

## ESSENTIAL DUBAI

### 3 DAYS

See a whole other side of Dubai on a stopover that includes a half day city tour that provides an insight into Dubai’s rich history. Admire the incredible architecture – ultra-modern and deeply traditional, and browse through the wares of Dubai’s old souks, as atmospheric today as they have been for centuries.

#### DAY 1: ARRIVE DUBAI

Upon arrival in Dubai, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure.

#### DAY 2: EXPLORE DUBAI

Enjoy a half day shared tour of the city, which provides an insight into Dubai’s rich history. Begin in Bastakiya’s historic heart, home to the 225-year-old Fort Al Fahidi. Next, take a step back in time and cross Dubai Creek by

traditional abra (water taxi) to Deira. Wander through the vibrant spice and gold souks – where the wares have been the same for centuries – and haggle for a bargain or two! Drive by the iconic Burj Al Arab before a photo stop at Jumeirah Mosque, an architectural landmark. The rest of the day is at leisure. (B)

#### DAY 3: DEPART DUBAI

Enjoy time at leisure before transferring to Dubai airport for your onward flight. (B)



Cross Dubai Creek in a traditional Abra

Prices are from per person, based on low season

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	€370	€600
Superior	€440	€680
Deluxe	€540	€950

#### Price includes

- Accommodation (2 nights Dubai)
  - Meals as stated (B,L,D)
  - Transportation as stated
- Shared touring with guides and entrance fees
- Note: This stopover is usually available with no additional flight costs if travelling with Emirates.*

## DUBAI & THE DESERT

### 4 DAYS

See a whole other side of Dubai on a stopover that includes a half day city tour that provides insight into Dubai’s rich history. Also included is a desert safari where you spend the evening enjoying the entertainment as you feast on Arabic cuisine under the stars at a traditional Bedouin-style camp.

#### DAY 1: ARRIVE DUBAI

Upon arrival in Dubai, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure.

#### DAY 2: EXPLORE DUBAI

Enjoy a half day tour that begins in Bastakiya’s historic heart, home to the 225-year-old Fort Al Fahidi. Take a step back in time and cross Dubai Creek by traditional abra to Deira. Wander through the vibrant spice and gold souks before driving by the iconic Burj Al Arab and enjoy a photo stop at Jumeirah Mosque, an architectural landmark. The rest of the day is at leisure. (B)

#### DAY 3: DESERT ADVENTURE

The day is at leisure before you head out into the desert for a magical evening. View falcons at an amphitheatre before an exciting drive into the sand dunes, with a stop at the perfect spot for sunset. Stop at a Bedouin-style camp for a delicious Arabic-style buffet with unlimited drinks of selected beverages. Here, you can also try camel riding or have a traditional henna design drawn on your hand. (B,D)

#### DAY 4: DEPART DUBAI

Enjoy time at leisure before transferring to Dubai airport for your onward flight. (B)



Head deep into the spectacular desert for a magical experience

Prices are from per person, based on low season

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	€490	€600
Superior	€690	€980
Deluxe	€790	€1,330

#### Price includes

- Accommodation (3 nights Dubai)
  - Meals as stated (B,L,D)
  - Transportation as stated
- Shared touring with guides and entrance fees
- Note: This stopover is usually available with no additional flight costs if travelling with Emirates.*



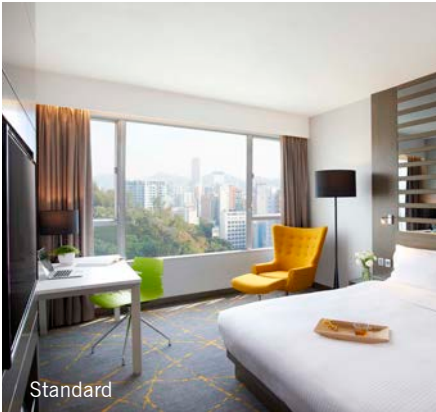


# HONG KONG STOPOVERS

Hong Kong boasts award-winning gastronomy, a colourful nightlife and unbeatable city views from panoramic Victoria Peak or from the deck of a sampan on the harbour. A sophisticated and lively metropolis, Hong Kong's mix of colonial influences, futuristic modernity and distinct Chinese traditions make it the ultimate East-meets-West destination.

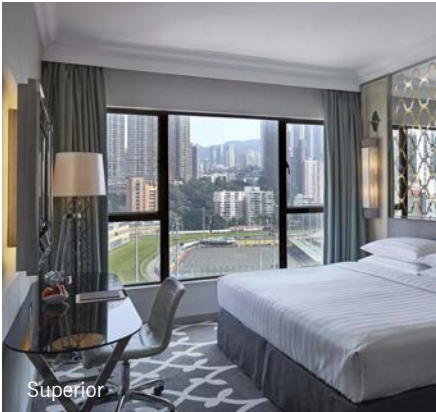
Explore Hong Kong

## KOWLOON HOTELS



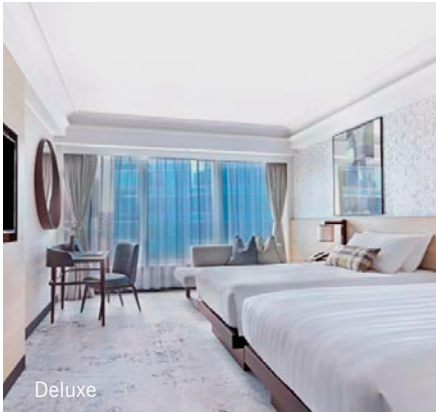
Standard

**THE CITYVIEW ★★★★★**  
Located in the heart of Yau Ma Tei, The Cityview sits adjacent to bustling Nathan Road. It has a cosy Cantonese restaurant, a casual cafe and an airy Thai eatery. Offering world-class green eco standards and attentive service, The Cityview will make you feel right at home.



Superior

**DORSETT, WAN CHAI ★★★★★**  
Perfectly located next to the Happy Valley Racecourse, the Dorsett offers bright and airy rooms decorated in a series of elegant themes. Just 10 minutes stroll from Causeway Bay MTR station, a free shuttle serves the most popular spots close by.



Deluxe

**HARBOUR GRAND KOWLOON ★★★★★**  
Harbour Grand Kowloon is conveniently located on the Kowloon waterfront, offering unrivalled views of Victoria Harbour. Facilities include five restaurants, a lounge, a spa, and a seasonal outdoor rooftop swimming pool.

## HONG KONG ISLAND HOTELS

# HONG KONG GLIMPSES

## 3 DAYS

This fleeting visit to Hong Kong features all of the highlights of this vibrant city, including panoramic views from Victoria Peak and a ride on the longest outdoor covered escalator. Take some time to relax and explore the city's foodie scene.

### DAY 1: ARRIVE HONG KONG

Arrive in Hong Kong and take a coach transfer from the airport to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure.

### DAY 2: HONG KONG TOUR

This afternoon embark on a thrilling adventure as you ride the world's longest outdoor escalator, marvelling at the city's vibrant streets. Next, visit Tai Kwun, a cultural haven within historic walls.

Indulge in a dim sum feast, where each bite is a culinary delight, before you hop aboard the latest 6th generation peak tram to Victoria Peak, capturing breath taking panoramic views. Finally, visit Lion's Point View Pavilion, and get ready to immortalize this awe-inspiring scene with your cameras. (B)

### DAY 3: DEPART HONG KONG

Enjoy time at leisure before transferring to Hong Kong airport. (B)



Admire the view from Victoria Peak

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	€480	€730
Superior	€520	€850
Deluxe	€650	€1,050

#### Price includes

- Accommodation (2 nights Hong Kong)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Shared touring with with guides and entrance fees

# HONG KONG IN FOCUS

## 4 DAYS

Designed to show you two aspects of life in the city, tour the best bits of Hong Kong Island before discovering the natural beauty of Lantau, Hong Kong's largest island. See the Grand Buddha and enjoy lunch at Po Lin Monastery, with some time to further explore as you wish.

### DAY 1: ARRIVE HONG KONG

Arrive in Hong Kong and take a coach transfer from the airport to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure.

### DAY 2: HONG KONG TOUR

This afternoon embark on a thrilling adventure as you ride the world's longest outdoor escalator, marvelling at the city's vibrant streets. Next, visit Tai Kwun, a cultural haven within historic walls. Indulge in a dim sum feast, where each bite is a culinary delight, before you hop aboard the latest 6th generation peak tram to Victoria Peak, capturing breath taking panoramic views. Finally, visit Lion's Point View Pavilion, and get ready to immortalize

this awe-inspiring scene with your cameras. (B)

### DAY 3: LANTAU ISLAND

Spend today discovering Lantau Island. Transfer to Tung Chung for a stunning cable car ride up to Ngong Ping Plateau where the Grand Buddha sits majestically next to the Po Lin Monastery. After touring the Giant Buddha Exhibition Hall and the monastery, sit down for a delicious vegetarian lunch. Later visit various well-wishing temples, offering you the opportunity to immerse yourself in the distinctive culture of these Chinese traditions. (B,L)

### DAY 4: DEPART HONG KONG

Enjoy time at leisure before transferring to Hong Kong airport. (B)



See the Grand Buddha at Lantau Island

Prices are from per person, based on low season		
HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	€870	€1,470
Superior	€930	€1,670
Deluxe	€1,090	€2,030

#### Price includes

- Accommodation (3 nights Hong Kong)
- Meals as stated (B,L,D)
- Transportation as stated
- Shared touring with with guides and entrance fees



# Your questions answered

A selection of our most frequently asked questions.

## BEFORE YOU TRAVEL

**Q. How soon after making our booking will we receive confirmation?**

**A.** Once we have received your deposit payment, we will send you a confirmation invoice within 24 hours.

**Q. Do you send us information about the destinations we will visit?**

**A.** It is essential that you read the relevant tour dossier before booking, which you can find on [wendywutours.com](http://wendywutours.com), or we can arrange for one to be sent to you. If there are any particular challenges such as the length of time spent on your feet, journey times or accommodation standards, they will be explained in these concise trip notes. Two weeks before you travel, you will receive a detailed day-by-day itinerary, a travel guide and phrasebook with your final documents.

**Q. Will I know which hotels I will be staying in before I go?**

**A.** Hotel details will be sent with your final documents around two weeks prior to departure. Note that these may be subject to change. Hotels are generally of 3.5-4-star standard on our Classic tours. In more remote areas, accommodation may be of a lower standard and may not have all western amenities. Rest assured that all hotels used by Wendy Wu Tours are regularly inspected by our staff and our partners to ensure that standards meet your needs. If you require an early check-in or late check-out for your arrival and departure days, please contact us on your arrival or departure day, please contact us.

**Q. How do I get my visa?**

**A.** Visas (where applicable) are included for Irish passport holders based in Ireland. Instructions to obtain your visa will be sent to you or your travel agent approximately 12 weeks before departure.

**Q. Do I need travel insurance?**

**A.** Your protection and safety are our main priority. That's why having adequate travel insurance is a condition of booking with us for all the destinations you plan to travel to.

**Q. What vaccinations do I need?**

**A.** Vaccination requirements often change, therefore for up to date information please refer to [www.ireland.ie/en/dfa/overseas-travel/advice/](http://www.ireland.ie/en/dfa/overseas-travel/advice/) and always seek your doctor's advice.

**Q. How fit do I need to be?**

**A.** Our Group tours are graded on each page with a Physical Rating to reflect the level of fitness required. The specific reasons for a particular grading for each tour are clearly described in the Tour Dossiers which you can find on our website. Please contact us if you require any advice. Our range of Private tours is more flexible and may better cater for individual needs. Ask us for more details.

**Q. What size are your tour groups?**

**A.** The group size varies depending on the tour but is usually between 10 and 28 passengers. Usually there is a maximum of 28 passengers on our Classic tours. You may meet other tour groups

travelling concurrently. Where available, on our group tours we operate a seat-and-a-half policy, allowing you to travel in comfort.

**Q. Do you run guaranteed departures?**

**A.** Group tours are guaranteed to run subject to a minimum of 10 passengers. A National Escort will accompany each group of 10 or more. We will endeavour to run groups of a smaller size if viable to do so.

**Q. As a single traveller, will I have to pay a single supplement?**

**A.** We offer several options for single travellers joining our tours. The first is to book onto one of our Solo Departures, which are reserved exclusively for solo travellers and have single occupancy of a double room built into the tour price (plus free access to an airport lounge and a welcome cocktail on arrival) or, if you prefer, you can pay the single room supplement on a regular departure and have a private room reserved for you. Another possibility is to choose our 'Happy to Share' option where, if we can find you a share partner of the same gender, your Single Supplement will be removed from your booking. We regret that Happy to Share requests cannot be accepted within 75 days of departure.

**Q. What is the maximum luggage allowance on your tours?**

**A.** For most destinations, your main suitcase or backpack must not exceed 20kg. Your hand luggage must not exceed 5kg. Refer to the tour dossier for more information.

**Q. What currency should I take?**

**A.** We recommend you take the local currency and a credit/debit card. If travelling to more than one country it may also be advisable to bring some US dollars to exchange locally. We do not recommend travellers cheques. Please ensure you have sufficient funds to pay for personal expenses such as drinks, snacks, souvenirs and optional extras.



**Q. What does escorted touring mean?**

**A.** Every group tour which has 10 or more passengers travelling will be accompanied by a National Escort throughout your tour. Airport transfers may not be escorted. In the unlikely event that you are in a group of less than 10 in all other destinations, local guides will accompany you at each location. Our Extension packages are not accompanied by a National Escort; however, you will have the benefit of our knowledgeable local guides. Transfers and flights to and from Extension destinations are not escorted. Private Tours are not accompanied by a National Escort but will be accompanied by knowledgeable local guides in each location.

**Q. What sort of vehicles do you use?**

**A. Air:** Internal flights are based on economy class, with reputable airlines.

**Road:** Coaches with air-conditioning are used on our group tours for city sightseeing, short excursions to the countryside and longer transfers where necessary. On our private tours, we use air-conditioned vehicles suitable for the size of the party.

**Rail:** Bullet trains and high-speed trains are used on some tours in China and Japan. There is limited space to store luggage, but alternative options are available, such as a luggage transfer service (at your own expense on private tours). While our guides may be there to assist, you will need to load and unload your own luggage on and off the trains. Where there is an overnight journey we use the best available soft sleeper trains. Each compartment is shared by four people (not necessarily Wendy Wu Tours passengers). There is a western-style toilet at one end of the carriage and an Asian style toilet at the other end. The beds and cabins are basic with clean linen provided and there are neither showers nor a dining car. Other trains are used on some tours for shorter or day-time journeys and our groups will travel in air-conditioned standard carriages. All the trains are generally clean; however, you cannot expect western standards.

**Water:** Ships or boats are used on tours which have a cruising element. To undertake these excursions, you will need to be capable of boarding and disembarking from these boats, sometimes without assistance and/or handrails.

**Public Transport:** In some big cities, it may be necessary to make use of the public transport systems during your sightseeing excursions. As well as being quicker and more convenient, it gives you a far more local experience. Escorted travel on public transport is mainly used on Private Tours and Extensions.

**Q. Is there a dress code on your tours?**

**A.** Our dress code is very relaxed; however, please note that clothing covering the arms and legs is more appropriate when visiting religious buildings.

## WHILE ON TOUR



**Q. Are there any optional excursions?**

**A.** From time to time your National Escort or Local Guide may suggest optional sightseeing or evening shows in addition to the standard sightseeing planned, depending on local conditions. Such options are at an additional cost, with prices usually ranging from €10 to €50 per person. This is paid in cash to the guide on the day of the optional excursion – just ask your guide if you need to visit a cash machine before touring for that day commences.

**Q. Are there shopping opportunities on your tours?**

**A.** Our tours have an array of shopping opportunities for those who love to seek out a bargain. We encourage all passengers to enjoy their local shopping expeditions but to take care and be wise when purchasing.

**Q. Can special requests be arranged?**

**A.** If you have any special requests such as dietary requirements, or if you wish to celebrate an event, please notify us at the time of booking and we will do everything possible to ensure your requests are met. Please note that special requests cannot be guaranteed.

**Q. Do you allow children on your tours?**

**A.** We allow children 12 years and over on our group tours. Alternatively, our Private Tours (see our website) offer greater flexibility whilst on tour and are suitable for any age group.

**Q. What is the average age on your group tours?**

**A.** The average age range is 40-65. Younger and older passengers travel with us too.



**Q. Will I be travelling with passengers from other countries?**

**A.** Our groups are generally made up of travellers from Ireland, Australia and New Zealand. Occasionally we are joined by English speaking passengers from other countries.

**Q. What hours of the day do your tours operate?**

**A.** They generally start about 8am and end shortly after your evening meal. Occasionally earlier starts are required to meet flight departures or to visit sights at the best time of day.

**Q. How does the tipping system work on your tours?**

**A.** Tipping is expected, however, this can often lead to awkwardness in knowing when it is appropriate to tip and how much, as well as ensuring you have a suitable amount of change available at the time. For your convenience, and based on many years of experience, on these tours we operate a kitty system on group tours, so your National Escort will look after this aspect of your trip for you. It also

## YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

## Health & Safety

The enjoyment of your holiday is our highest priority. Wendy Wu Tours is a fully insured and bonded tour operator with comprehensive public liability cover. Working closely with an independent health and safety organisation, we are proactive in our approach by ensuring that hotels used on our group tours regularly undergo comprehensive fire safety, security and hygiene audits. In the unlikely event of a problem or emergency on tour, Wendy Wu Tours has a Crisis Management process in place to support all of our customers. We also have a dedicated 24-hour emergency support number.



ensures that the amounts paid are reasonable for you but still fair for the local people. The amount is stated on each group tour page (and will be advised again in your final documents). Any additional tipping on any of our tours is welcomed at your discretion. Please feel free to tip restaurant staff, porters, or river guides if they performed a special service for you. For tours with fewer than 10 passengers, tipping will be slightly higher than stated on the group tour pages.

On Private tours and Extensions, we will advise recommended amounts, which will differ from destination to destination.

**Japan:** Tipping is not traditionally part of Japanese culture, but is becoming increasingly commonplace. If you would like to show your appreciation, you can do so in the local currency at the end of your tour.

**Q. Are meals included?**

**A.** All meals (excluding beverages) are included in our Classic group tours except where stated. Please note that in remote areas, meals may be simple and choices limited. Meals included in Extensions are stated in the itinerary and include several free evenings, offering flexibility for those who wish to explore local restaurants. If you book a fully inclusive Classic Tour your first meal will be dinner on the day of arrival and will end with breakfast on the normal day of departure. Any additional meals will be at your own expense and no refund will be made for any meals missed. You will sample a range of local cuisine with occasional western meals, and meals are usually taken at local restaurants.



## WENDY WU TOURS BOOKING CONDITIONS

The following booking conditions form the basis of your contract with Wendy Wu Tours Ltd, Newhams Yard, 151-153 Tower Bridge Road, London, SE1 3JE, company number 05107061. Please read them carefully as they set out our respective rights and obligations. By asking us to confirm your booking, you confirm that you have had the opportunity to read and have read these booking conditions, the brochure and tour dossier and agree to be bound by them.

These booking conditions only apply to holiday arrangements which you book with us in the UK and which we agree to make, provide or perform (as applicable) as part of our contract with you. All references in these booking conditions to “holiday”, “booking”, “contract”, “package”, “tour” or “arrangements” mean such holiday arrangements unless otherwise stated. For tailor-made holidays, please refer to the terms and conditions on our website. In these booking conditions, “you” and “your” means all persons named on the booking (including anyone who is added or substituted at a later date) or any of them as the context requires. “We”, “us” and “our” means Wendy Wu Tours Limited.

### 1. Your Holiday Contract

The first named person on the booking (“lead name”) must be authorised to make a booking on the basis of these booking conditions by all persons named on the booking and by their parent or guardian for all party members who are under 18 when the booking is made. By making a booking the lead name confirms that he/she is so authorised. The lead name is responsible for making all payments due to us and to indemnify us for the liability of all party members. The lead name must be at least 18 when the booking is made. After we receive your booking request and all appropriate payments (see clause 4 “Payment” below), if the arrangements you wish to book are available, we will issue a confirmation invoice.

A binding agreement will come into existence between us when we email your confirmation invoice to the ‘lead name’ or your Travel Agent. Your invoice will be sent to your travel agent or the lead name on the booking if you have booked direct with us. Please check this invoice carefully as soon as you receive it. Contact us immediately if any information which appears on the confirmation or any other document appears to be incorrect or incomplete as it may not be possible to make changes later. We regret we cannot accept any liability if we are not notified of any inaccuracies (for which we are responsible) in any document within ten days of our sending it out (five days for tickets). We will do our best to rectify any mistake notified to us outside these time limits but you must meet any costs involved in doing so. If you wish to change or cancel any arrangements later you may have to pay an amendment or cancellation charge (See clause 8).

We both agree that the laws of Ireland (and no other) will apply to your contract and to any dispute, claim or other matter of any description which arises between us (“claim”) (except as set out below). Each of the parties hereby submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Courts of Ireland in regard to any matter arising from or touching upon these booking terms and conditions and any agreement to which they apply.

### 2. Your financial protection

We provide full financial protection for our package holidays. In compliance with the Package Holidays and Travel Trade Act, 1995 in the Republic of Ireland, an insurance policy has been arranged with Travel and General Insurance Services Limited, to protect Republic of Ireland customers’ prepayments in the unlikely event of our financial failure and paid in respect of: Travel Inclusive packages sold by the Policy Holder (Wendy Wu Travel Limited) to customers in the Republic of Ireland ©I) with travel departing/commencing from ROI, UK and countries within the EU

For:

- A refund of such prepayments if the customers have not yet travelled, or
- Making arrangements to enable the holiday to continue if customers have already travelled
- Repatriation of customers as may be applicable, subject to the terms of the insurance policy.

In the unlikely event of financial failure please contact t&g on 00 44 (0) 207 065 5300.

A copy of the policy is available on request.

This policy is provided by Travel & General Insurance Services Limited (t&g), registered number 02527363 and underwritten by Accelerant Insurance Europe SA UK Branch (Accelerant), an insurance company which is authorised and regulated by Prudential Authority (Ref.940712).

The combination of travel services offered to you is a package

within the meaning of the Package Holidays and Travel Trade Act, 1995. Therefore, you will benefit from all EU rights applying to packages. We will be fully responsible for the proper performance of the package as a whole. Additionally, as required by law, we have protection in place to refund your payments and, where transport is included in the package, to ensure your repatriation in the event that we become insolvent. More information on key rights can be found by visiting <https://revisedacts.lawreform.ie/eli/1995/act/17/revised/en/html>

### 3. Your Holiday Price

Please note, changes and errors occasionally occur. You must check the price of your chosen holiday at the time of booking. The cost of your travel arrangements was calculated using known costs and exchange rates in June 2024. We reserve the right to increase and correct errors in advertised prices at any time before your holiday is confirmed. We will advise you of any error which we are aware of and inform the new applicable price at the time of booking. Once the price of your chosen holiday has been confirmed at the time of booking, it will not be subject to change.

### 4. Payment

In order to confirm your chosen holiday, a non-refundable deposit of at least €350.00 per person (or full payment if booking within 75 days of departure) must be paid at the time of booking. In some cases the amount of deposit may be higher: where, for example, we need to pre-purchase flights tickets, accommodation or other services and in the case of our flight upgrade special offers, to which early airline ticketing may apply – please see the terms and conditions of individual special offers for further information. The balance of the holiday cost must be received by us not less than 75 days prior to departure. This date will be shown on the confirmation invoice. Reminders are not sent. Our preferred method of deposit payment is by bank debit card or credit card. Balance payment may be made by bank debit card, credit card or cheque (providing there is time to clear it to meet the payment schedule shown above - you should allow 5 working days for clearance from the time we receive it). If we do not receive all payments due in full and on time, we are entitled to assume that you wish to cancel your booking. In this case, we will be entitled to keep all deposits paid or due at that date. Except for flight inclusive bookings, all monies you pay to one of our authorised travel agents for your holiday with us will be held by the agent on your behalf until a contract between us comes into existence. After that point, your agent will hold the monies on our behalf until they are paid to us. If you wish to amend or cancel your holiday, your original method of payment will be used to process this (e.g. bank card, credit card, refund credit note). Please note that on very rare occasions, errors may occur when inputting prices onto our website and systems. We regret that any contract entered into on the basis of a pricing error will be invalid. In the unlikely event that this situation arises, you will be given the option to pay the correct price or cancel with a full refund.

### 5. Travel documents and visas

A Passport with a minimum of six months validity from the intended date of travel, and contains a minimum of two blank pages, is required for travel for the majority of countries in our programme. As visa requirements are constantly changing, you must regularly check the Department of Foreign Affairs website for the most up to date entry requirements. Visa fees, where required, are included for Irish passport holders and will be specified whether included on your confirmation invoice. If you are a non-Irish passport holder or you reside outside of Ireland, you will be required to obtain your own visas at your own expense. It is your responsibility to ensure the visa issued to you is correct. Whilst we include the cost of the standard visa application service in your tour price (for Irish passport holders), we will pass on any additional charges incurred for non-standard visa processing, or where visa charges are increased following publication of the brochure. Should your visa application be refused for any reason and you wish to cancel your booking the cancellation charges under clause 8 will apply. An express visa process is available for an additional cost depending on the country of visit. We make no promises that your Visa application will be successful and we cannot accept bookings conditional on the issuing of a visa, or payment of the balance of the holiday cost (see clause 4) to be deferred until visas have been issued.

We accept no responsibility for passports lost in the post. It is the responsibility of each passenger to ensure that you carry all necessary passport, visa and other travel documentation as required by the country you are visiting, and that all documents are in date and valid. We do not accept responsibility if you cannot travel because you have not complied with any passport, visa or immigration requirements for any part of your holiday. Failure to have any necessary travel or other documents results in fines, surcharges or other financial penalty being imposed on us, you will be responsible for reimbursing us in full. Please contact Wendy Wu Tours for the most up to date information on visa requirements for all destinations that we feature, please visit our website <https://www.wendywutours.co.uk/help-and-advice/passports-and-visas/>.

### 6. Travel Insurance, Health and Safety

It is a condition of booking with us that you take out suitable travel insurance covering at least circumstances leading to the cancellation of your booking and providing sufficient medical cover for illness or injury and repatriation while overseas, including COVID-19 cover. You must provide us with the name of your insurers and their 24 hour emergency contact number when you book or as soon as possible thereafter. Wendy Wu Tours will not be liable for any costs incurred by you due to your failure to take out suitable travel insurance from the date of booking. You will indemnify Wendy Wu Tours in respect of any assistance or payment made by us in these circumstances. Details of any compulsory health requirements applicable to Irish citizens for your holiday are available from the website listed below. It is your responsibility to ensure you are aware of all recommended vaccinations and health precautions, including COVID-19 protection, in good time before departure. Details are available from your GP surgery and from <https://www.ireland.ie/en/dfa/overseas-travel/advice>. Health requirements and recommendations may change and you must check the up to date position in good time before departure. The Department of Foreign Affairs publishes regularly updated travel information on its website <https://www.ireland.ie/en/dfa/overseas-travel/advice/> which you are recommended to consult before booking and in good time before departure.

### 7. If you wish to change your booking

If, after our confirmation invoice has been issued, you wish to change your travel arrangements in any way, we will endeavour to make these changes, but it may not always be possible. Any request for changes to be made must be from the lead name on the booking or your Travel Agent. You will be asked to pay an administration charge as set out below per person and any further cost we incur together with any costs or charges incurred or imposed by any of our suppliers in making this alteration. Examples include:

- Minor amendments to the tour booked OR Minor amendments made within 30 days of departure OR Transferring between tours or changing departure date – €50
- Transferring between tours or changing departure date within 75 days of departure is not permitted and cancellation fees will apply
- Reissue of airline tickets, where possible – €50 plus any non-refundable costs of the cancelled ticket and any additional costs of the new ticket

You can transfer your booking to another person, who satisfies all the conditions that apply to your booking, by giving us notice in writing as soon as possible and no later than 7 days before departure. Both you and the new traveller are responsible for paying all costs we incur in making the transfer.

Once a booking is confirmed no changes are permitted otherwise than in accordance with these terms and conditions.

It is important to note that some arrangements such as certain types of air tickets cannot be changed after a booking has been made as they are sold as part of your fixed package. If your holiday includes ocean cruising, once a deposit has been placed this is non-refundable and non-transferrable to a later date. You will be advised of any such non refundable charges prior to confirming your booking. Any change will be treated as a cancellation in which case cancellation charges will apply. Note that only one change per booking is permitted. Any requests for changes to your booking must be emailed to [operations@wendywutours.co.uk](mailto:operations@wendywutours.co.uk).

### 8. If you wish to cancel your booking

Because we start to incur costs in relation to your arrangements from the time we confirm your booking, if you cancel we have to make a charge and the nearer to your departure date you cancel, the higher the charge will be. If you wish to cancel a

confirmed booking you must do so by writing to our head office. Cancellation takes effect from the day we receive your letter. Cancellation charges are shown in the table below and will be payable immediately on cancellation. Where the cancellation charge is shown as a percentage, this is calculated on the basis of the total cost payable by the person(s) cancelling excluding insurance premiums and amendment charges. Insurance premiums and amendment charges are not refundable in the event of cancellation:

75 or more days	Retention of deposit
74–42 days	30% including deposit
41 – 28 days	60% including deposit
27 – 15 days	90% including deposit
14 days or less	100% including deposit

Depending on the reason for cancellation, you may be able to reclaim these cancellation charges (less any applicable excess) under the terms of your insurance policy. Claims must be made directly to the insurance company concerned and we have no liability in these circumstances.

### 9. If we change or cancel your holiday

Occasionally, we have to make changes to and correct errors in brochure and other details both before and after bookings have been confirmed and cancel confirmed bookings. Whilst we always endeavour to avoid changes and cancellations, we must reserve the right to do so. The right is also reserved to any change in airline, aircraft types and vessels scheduled for any specific departure.

#### If we change your holiday

Even after we have confirmed your booking we may have to make alterations to confirmed arrangements. Most such alterations will be minor and of little effect on your overall arrangements and while we will do our best to notify you of any such minor change before your departure, we will have no other liability to you. Occasionally we may have to make a significant change to your confirmed arrangements.

Significant changes include but are not limited to the following (which are illustrative):

- Change of Ireland departure airport.
- Change of your time of departure or return by more than 12 hours
- Change of resort
- Change of holiday accommodation to accommodation of a lower official rating.

If we have to make a significant change, we will notify you as quickly as possible and offer you the following options:

- (a) (for significant changes) accepting the changed arrangements or
- (b) purchasing an alternative holiday from us, of a similar standard to that originally booked if available. We will offer you at least one alternative holiday of equivalent or higher standard for which you will not be asked to pay any more than the price of the original holiday. If the holiday is cheaper than the original one, we will refund the price difference. If you do not wish to accept the holiday we specifically offer you, you may choose any of our other available holidays. You must pay the applicable price of any such holiday. This will mean you paying more if it is more expensive or receiving a refund if it is cheaper or
- (c) cancelling or accepting the cancellation in which case you will receive a full refund of all monies you have paid to us.
- In addition, if you choose (a) or (b) above, and the change is not due to ‘unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances’ (see below), you will receive as compensation a credit towards the cost of your arrangements, or any alternative selected, of the amount shown in Scale A below. If you choose (c) we will pay you compensation of the amount shown in Scale B below. In all cases we will have no liability for any other or greater compensation, or for expenses or losses incurred as a result of any change.

Period before departure date notification given by us	Compensation per fare paying passenger (excluding children)
0–7 days	€50
8–14 days	€40
15–28 days	€30
29–42 days	€20
43–75 days	€10

#### If we cancel your holiday

If we have to cancel your booking we will not cancel less than 60 days before your departure date, except for unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances, or failure by you to pay the

final balance, or because the minimum number required for the package to go ahead hasn’t been reached. Unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances means a situation beyond our control, the consequences of which could not have been avoided even if all reasonable measures had been taken. The minimum number required will be provided to you with the holiday description, along with the time limit for us to tell you if the package has to be cancelled. If your holiday is cancelled you can either have a refund of all monies paid or accept an alternative holiday of comparable standard from us if we offer one (we will refund any price difference if the alternative is of a lower value).

No compensation will be payable and the above options for either a change or cancellation will not be available if we cancel as a result of your failure to comply with any requirement of these booking conditions entitling us to cancel (such as paying on time) or where a change is a minor one.

Please note, in the event of a cancellation, airline schedule change or change of departure airport, we are not liable to cover the cost of flights, trains or any form of transportation or any other expenses incurred by these changes.

### 10. Our liability to you

(1) We will take reasonable care to ensure that the holiday arrangements we have agreed to make, perform or provide as part of our contract with you are made, performed or provided with reasonable skill and care. This means that, subject to these booking conditions, we may accept responsibility if, for example, you suffer death or personal injury or your contracted holiday arrangements are not provided as promised or prove deficient as a result solely of the failure of ourselves, our employees, agents or suppliers to use reasonable skill and care in making, performing or providing, as applicable, your contracted holiday arrangements. Please note, it is your responsibility to show that reasonable skill and care has not been used and you have suffered loss as a result if you wish to make a claim against us. In addition, we will only be responsible for what our employees, agents and suppliers do or do not do if they were at the time acting within the course of their employment (for employees) or carrying out work we had asked them to do (for agents and suppliers).

(2) We will not be responsible for any injury, illness, death, loss (for example loss of enjoyment), damage, expense, cost or other sum or claim of any description whatsoever which results from any of the following:

- the act(s) and/or omission(s) of the person(s) affected or any member(s) of their party or
- the act(s) and/or omission(s) of a third party not connected with the provision of your holiday and which were unforeseeable or unavoidable or
- ‘Unavoidable and Extraordinary Circumstances’ as defined in clause 9 above.

(3) Please note, we cannot accept responsibility for any services which do not form part of our contract. This includes, for example, any additional services or facilities which your hotel or any other supplier agrees to provide for you where the services or facilities are not advertised by us and we have not agreed to arrange them as part of our contract including any excursion you purchase in resort. Please also see clause 11 “Excursions”. In addition, regardless of any wording used by us on our website, in any advertising material or elsewhere, we only promise to use reasonable skill and care in performing our contractual obligation as set out above and we do not have any greater or different liability to you.

(4) The promises we make to you about the services we have agreed to provide or arrange as part of our contract - and the laws, regulations and relevant standards of the country in which your claim or complaint occurred - will be used as the basis for deciding whether the services in question had been properly provided. If the particular services which gave rise to the claim or complaint complied with local laws and regulations applicable to those services at the time, the services will be treated as having been properly provided. This will be the case even if the services did not comply with the laws and regulations of the UK which would have applied had those services been provided in the UK. The exception to this is where the claim or complaint concerns the absence of a safety feature which might lead a reasonable holiday maker to refuse to take the holiday in question. Please note, however, our obligation is to exercise reasonable skill and care as referred to in clause 10 (1). We do not make any representation or commitment that all services will comply with applicable local laws and regulations and failure to comply does not automatically mean we have not exercised reasonable skill and care.

(5) As set out in these booking conditions, we limit the maximum amount we may have to pay you for any claims you may make against us. Where we are found liable for loss of and/or damage to any luggage or personal possessions (including money), the maximum amount we will have to pay you is €1,500 per person affected unless a different limitation applies to your claim under this clause or clause 10(6) below. You must ensure you have appropriate travel insurance to protect your personal belongings. For all other claims which do not involve death or personal injury, if we are found liable to you on any basis the maximum amount we will have to pay you is three times the price (excluding insurance premiums and amendment charges) paid by or on behalf of the person(s) affected in total unless a lower limitation applies to your claim under clause 10(6) below. This maximum amount will only be payable where everything has gone wrong and you have not received any benefit at all from your holiday.

(6) Where any claim or part of a claim (including those involving death or personal injury) concerns or is based on any travel arrangements (including the process of getting on and/or off the transport concerned) provided by any air, sea, rail or road carrier to which any international convention or regulation applies, the maximum amount of compensation we will have to pay you will be limited. The most we will have to pay you for that claim or that part of a claim if we are found liable to you on any basis is the most the carrier concerned would have to pay under the international convention or regulation which applies to the travel arrangements in question (for example, the Warsaw Convention as amended or unamended and the Montreal Convention for international travel by air and/or for airlines with an operating licence granted by an EU country, the EC Regulation on Air Carrier Liability No 889/2002 for national and international travel by air, the Athens Convention for international travel by sea and COTIF, the Convention on International Travel by Rail). Where a carrier would not be obliged to make any payment to you under the applicable international convention or regulation in respect of a claim or part of a claim, we similarly are not obliged to make a payment to you for that claim or part of the claim. When making any payment, we are entitled to deduct any money which you have received or are entitled to receive from the carrier for the claim in question. Copies of the applicable international conventions and regulations are available from us on request.

(7) Please note, we cannot accept any liability for any damage, loss, expense or other sum(s) of any description (1) which on the basis of the information given to us by you concerning your booking prior to our accepting it, we could not have foreseen you would suffer or incur if we breached our contract with you or (2) which did not result from any breach of contract or other fault by ourselves or our employees or, where we are responsible for them, our suppliers. Additionally we cannot accept liability for any business losses including self employed loss of earnings.

### 11. Excursions

We may provide you with information (before departure and/or when you are on holiday) about activities and excursions which are available in the area you are visiting. We have no involvement in any such activities or excursions which are neither run, supervised nor controlled in any way by us. They are provided by local operators or other third parties who are entirely independent of us. They do not form any part of your contract with us even where we suggest particular operators/other third parties and/or assist you in booking such activities or excursions in any way. We cannot accept any liability on any basis in relation to such activities or excursions and the acceptance of liability contained in clause 10(1) of our booking conditions will not apply to them. We do not however exclude liability for the negligence of ourselves or our employees resulting in your death or personal injury. We cannot guarantee accuracy at all times of information given in relation to such activities or excursions or about the area you are visiting generally or that any particular excursion or activity which does not form part of our contract will take place as these services are not under our control. If you feel that any of the activities or excursions referred to in our brochure, on our website and in our other advertising material which are not part of our contract are vital to the enjoyment of your holiday, write to us immediately and we will tell you the latest known situation. If we become aware of any material alterations to area information and/or such outside activities or excursions which can reasonably be expected to affect your decision to book a holiday with us, we will pass on this information at the time of booking.



## BOOKING CONDITIONS

### 12. Complaint procedure

If you have a problem during your holiday concerning any service provided as part of the arrangements we have confirmed, you must inform our National Escort or Local Guide (or, if none available, with our local agent or hotel manager) immediately to enable them to try to resolve the matter. Any notification must be put in writing and given to our representative / agent and the supplier as soon as possible. Our emergency number is manned 24 hours a day, seven days a week and is 01888 288 288. Until we know about a complaint or problem, we cannot begin to resolve it. If you remain dissatisfied, however, you must write to us within 28 days of your return to the UK giving your booking reference and full details of your complaint. Please address all correspondence to customer@wendywutours.co.uk. Only the lead name should write to us. If you fail to follow this simple complaints procedure, your right to claim any compensation you may otherwise have been entitled to may be affected or even lost as a result.

### 13. On-Line Dispute

You can access the European Commission Online Dispute (ODR) Resolution platform at <http://ec.europa.eu/consumers/odr/>. This ODR platform is a means of notifying us of your complaint; it will not determine how your complaint should be resolved.

### 14. Conditions of Suppliers

Many of the services which make up your holiday are provided by independent suppliers. Those suppliers provide these services in accordance with their own terms and conditions. Some of these terms and conditions may limit or exclude the supplier's liability to you, usually in accordance with applicable international conventions (see clause 10(4) and 10(6)). Copies of the relevant parts of these terms and conditions and of the international conventions are available on request from ourselves or the supplier concerned.

### 15. Behaviour

When you book a Holiday with Wendy Wu Tours Limited you accept responsibility for the proper conduct for yourself and your party whilst on Holiday. If we or any other person in authority is of the reasonable opinion that you or any member of your party is behaving in such a way as to cause or be likely to cause danger or upset to any other person or damage to property, we will be entitled to terminate the holiday of the person(s) concerned. The person(s) concerned will be required to leave the accommodation or other service and we will have no further responsibility to them including any return travel arrangements. No refunds will be made and we will not pay any expenses or costs incurred as a result of the termination. You will be responsible for making full payment for any damage or loss caused by you or any member of your party during your time away. Payment must be paid directly at the time to the service supplier concerned. If the actual cost of the loss or damage exceeds the amount paid where estimated, you must pay the difference once known. If the actual cost is less than the amount paid, the difference will be refunded. You will also be responsible for meeting any claims subsequently made against us and all costs incurred by us (including our own and the other party's full legal costs) as a result of your actions.

### 16. Special Requests

If you have any special requests, including dietary requirements, you must inform us prior to booking. Although we will endeavour to pass any reasonable requests on to the relevant supplier, we regret we cannot guarantee any request will be met. Failure to meet any special request will not be a breach of contract on our part. Confirmation that a special request has been noted or passed on to the supplier or the inclusion of the special request on your confirmation invoice or any other documentation is not confirmation that the request will be met. Unless and until specifically confirmed, all special requests are subject to availability. Unless you receive written confirmation from the supplier that a special request will be complied with, you must assume that it will not be. The responsibility for providing the special request lies solely with the supplier and not with Wendy Wu Tours. We regret we cannot accept any conditional bookings, i.e. any booking which is specified to be conditional on the fulfilment of a particular request. All such bookings will be treated as "standard" bookings subject to the above provisions on special requests.

### 17. Fitness, Medical Conditions, Disabilities & Illness

Please note that Asia is a vast area with varying terrain (including steps, steep hills and uneven walkways) which can be difficult to negotiate. An indicated 'physical rating' is outlined clearly in this brochure and in the tour specific Tour Dossiers. It is your sole responsibility to ensure that you are sufficiently fit and well to negotiate these areas, without any adverse effect on the overall group or tour operation. You should check that your proposed areas of travel are suitable dependant on your own health, including any medical condition and/or disability that you may have. If you or any member of your party has any medical condition or disability

which may affect your holiday or has any special requirements as a result of any medical condition or disability (including any which affect the booking process), please tell us before you confirm your booking so that we can assist you in considering the suitability of the arrangements and/or making the booking. Dietary allergy requests must be made at time of booking and will be passed on to the relevant supplier, but unfortunately we cannot guarantee these requests can be met and cannot be held responsible for any illness or death caused by food consumed as part of your tour package with us. In any event, you must give us full details in writing at the time of booking and whenever any change in the condition or disability occurs. You must also promptly advise us if any medical condition or disability which may affect your holiday develops after your booking has been confirmed. Should this condition not be met, Wendy Wu Tours reserves the right to terminate the holiday of the person(s) involved, as described in section 9.

If due to illness, suspected illness or failure to satisfy medical requirements (for example compulsory vaccinations or testing) we or any of our suppliers refuse to transport or accommodate you, we may (acting reasonably) exclude you from commencing or continuing the trip. In this situation we will provide you with reasonable assistance to make alternative travel arrangements and where possible to rejoin your group when medically cleared to do so. This will be at your own cost and you should contact your travel insurance provider immediately. Note that we will not be liable to refund the cost of your trip (or any part of it) under these circumstances.

### 18. Flights

In accordance with EU Directive (EC) No 2111/2005 Article 9, we are required to bring to your attention the existence of a "Community list" which contains details of air carriers who are subject to an operating ban within the EU. The Community list is available for inspection at [http://ec.europa.eu/transport/air-ban/list\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/transport/air-ban/list_en.htm). In accordance with EU Regulations we are required to advise you of the actual carrier(s) (or, if the actual carrier(s) is not known, the likely carrier(s) that will operate your flight(s) at the time of booking. Where we are only able to inform you of the likely carrier(s) at the time of booking, we shall inform you of the identity of the actual carrier(s) as soon as we become aware of this. Any change to the operating carrier(s) after your booking has been confirmed will be notified to you as soon as possible. If the carrier with whom you have a confirmed reservation becomes subject to an operating ban as above as a result of which we/ the carrier are unable to offer you a suitable alternative the provisions of clause 9 "If we change or cancel your holiday" will apply. We are not always in a position at the time of booking to confirm the flight timings which will be used in connection with your flight. The flight timings shown in our brochure, on our website and/or detailed on your confirmation invoice are for guidance only and are subject to alteration and confirmation. Flight timings are outside our control. They are set by airlines and are subject to various factors including air traffic control restrictions, weather conditions, potential technical problems and the ability of passengers to check in on time. Specific instructions relating to departure and travel arrangements will be sent with your air or other travel tickets approximately 2 weeks before departure. You must accordingly check your tickets very carefully immediately on receipt to ensure you have the correct flight times. It is possible that flight times may be changed even after tickets have been despatched – we will contact you as soon as possible if this occurs. Any change in the identity of the carrier, flight timings, and/or aircraft type (if advised) will not entitle you to cancel or change to other arrangements without paying our normal charges except where specified in these conditions.

### 19. Delay and Denied Boarding Regulations

In the event of any flight delay or cancellation at your IRL or overseas point of departure, the airline is responsible for providing such assistance as is legally required by the Denied Boarding Regulations (see below). The ferry, tunnel or rail operator is similarly responsible in relation to any delayed or cancelled sea crossing or international rail departure. Except where otherwise stated in our brochure or on our website, we cannot provide any assistance in such circumstances other than information and advice to the extent we are in a position to do so. Any airline concerned may however provide refreshments etc. We cannot accept liability for any delay which is due to any of the reasons set out in clause 10(2) of these Booking Conditions (which includes the behaviour of any passenger(s) on the flight who, for example, fails to check in or board on time). In addition, we will not be liable for any delay unless it has a significant effect on your holiday arrangements. If your flight is cancelled or delayed, your flight ticket is downgraded or boarding is denied by your airline, depending on the circumstances, the airline may be required to pay you compensation, refund the cost of your flight and/or provide you with accommodation and/or refreshments under EC Regulation No 261/2004 - the Denied Boarding Regulations 2004. Where applicable, you must pursue the airline for

the compensation or other payment due to you. All sums you receive or are entitled to receive from the airline concerned by virtue of these Regulations represent the full amount of your entitlement to compensation or any other payment arising from such cancellation, delay, downgrading or denied boarding. This includes any disappointment, distress, inconvenience or effect on any other arrangements. The fact a delay may entitle you to cancel your flight does not automatically entitle you to cancel any other arrangements even where those arrangements have been made in conjunction with your flight. We have no liability to make any payment to you in relation to the Denied Boarding Regulations or in respect of any flight cancellation or delay, downgrading of any flight ticket or denial of any boarding as the full amount of your entitlement to any compensation or other payment (as dealt with above) is covered by the airline's obligations under the Denied Boarding Regulations. If, for any reason, we make any payment to you or a third party which the airline is responsible for in accordance with the Denied Boarding Regulations, you must, when requested, assign to us the rights you have or had to claim the payment in question from the airline. If your airline does not comply with these rules you may complain to the Civil Aviation Authority on 0333 022 1500 or by completing the relevant online form at <https://www.iaa.ie/consumer-protection/air-passenger-rights>.

### 20. Data privacy and protection

In order to process your booking and meet your requirements, we need to collect personal data from you and pass your personal details on to the relevant suppliers of your travel arrangements. Depending on what's required, the personal data we collect may include names and contact details, credit/debit card or other payment information and special requirements such as those relating to any disability or medical condition which may affect holiday arrangements and any dietary restrictions which may disclose your religious beliefs ("sensitive personal data"). The person who makes the booking is responsible for ensuring that other members of your party are aware of our booking conditions and this privacy policy and that they consent to your acting on their behalf in your dealings with us. In making your booking, you consent to personal data being passed on to the relevant suppliers and other third parties. We take appropriate technical and organisational measures which are intended to prevent unauthorised or unlawful processing of personal data and accidental loss or destruction of, or damage to, personal data. By making a booking with us, you agree to allow your insurers, their agents and medical staff to disclose relevant information to us in circumstances where we may need to act in your interests or in the interests of everyone in any group with whom you are travelling. In accordance with current legislation and GDPR regulations our privacy policy is available at <https://www.wendywutours.co.uk/help-and-advice/privacy-policy/>. We would also like to hold your information (including any email address), where collected by us, for our own future marketing purposes (for example, to inform you of promotional/competition offers or to send you our brochure). Wendy Wu Tours Ltd. may wish to contact you by post, e-mail and/or telephone with news, information and offers on its holidays we may have available and for market research purposes. If you prefer not to be contacted for the purposes set out above then please contact the Data Protection Officer at the above web address. You can opt out of all communications at any time. You are generally entitled to ask us what details of yours are being held or processed, for what purpose and to whom they may be or have been disclosed. Please identify any such enquiry as a Subject Access Request and direct your enquiry to a member of our Customer Services team, who will respond to you within one month. In certain circumstances we are entitled to refuse your request. If you believe that any of your personal data which we are processing is incorrect, please contact us immediately so it may be updated.

# Hotels

Your accommodation is chosen for the convenience of its location, levels of comfort or quirky character, so it can range from a smart business hotel here to a family-run guesthouse there. Here is a taster of the type of hotels you will be staying in on your tour.

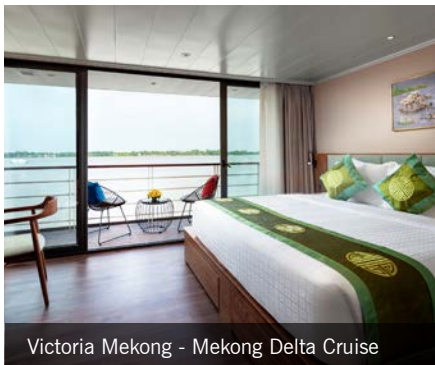
## EXAMPLE TOUR HOTELS IN ASIA



Lijiang Waterfall Hotel - Guilin, China



Fujisan Mishima Tokyo Hotel - Mishima, Japan



Victoria Mekong - Mekong Delta Cruise



Lotus Blanc Hotel - Siem Reap, Cambodia



Jagat Palace - Pushkar, India



Righa Royal Hotel - Kyoto, Japan



Bhaya Classic - Halong Bay, Vietnam

Hotels on our group tours are generally rated as local three to four star standard, but please note that there is no international classification system for hotels and differences in facilities and quality may exist between the Ireland and Asia. Hotels are subject to change and will be confirmed with your final documents.



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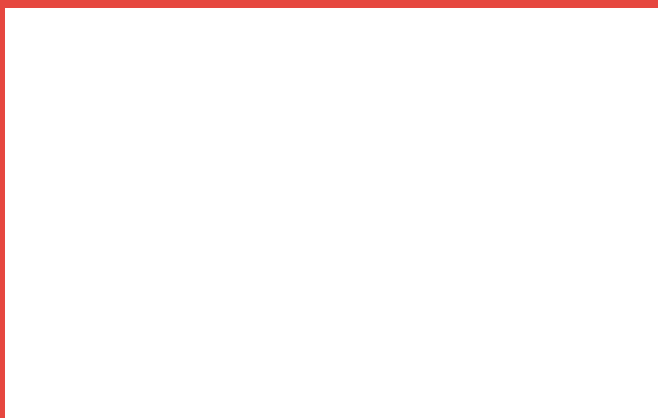


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