

CHINA AND THE YANGTZE

13 DAYS / 12 NIGHTS / 27 MEALS



Enjoy a cruise on the longest river in Asia! Visit the imposing three gorges and enjoy shore excursions to local villages. Let's not forget China's wonders! Beijing, Xian, and Shanghai. A complete and satisfying experience!

ITINERARY

Day 1 (WED) Arrive - Beijing

Arrive in Beijing, capital city of China, and transfer to your hotel.

Accommodation › Beijing Presidential Hotel for 4 nights

Day 2 Beijing (B/L)

Today, a full day city tour will include the historical sites of the Ming and Qing dynasties. Visit the Forbidden City, Tian An Men Square and the Summer Palace.

Day 3 Beijing (B/L)

Depart for Badaling to visit the famous Great Wall of China. On the return opportunity for a photo at the Bird's Nest & Water Cube and visit a Jade stone workshop.

Day 4 Beijing (B/L)

This morning, visit the Temple of Heaven, the Pearl Factory and the Summer Palace. Enjoy a rickshaw ride through the old residential quarters (Hutongs) with a home visit.

Day 5 Beijing · Xian (B/L)

Transfer to the airport and flight to Xian. Arrive in Xian and transfer to your hotel. A city tour will include the Wild Goose Pagoda and the Provincial History Museum.

Accommodation › Jian Guo Hotel for 2 nights

Day 6 Xian (B/L/D)

A full day tour will highlight the Terracotta Warrior Museum. In the evening, dumpling dinner and a cultural show from the Tang Dynasty.



Day 7 Xian · Chongqing · Cruise (B/L/D)

Transfer to the airport and flight to Chongqing. Visit the Panda Zoo and enjoy a local hot pot dinner before boarding the cruise.

Accommodation › MV PRESIDENT NO.6 (standard cabin with balcony) or similar, for 3 nights

Day 8 Cruise (B/L/D)

Set sail to the “ghost city” of Fengdu. Enjoy the scenery while cruising. *Optional* shore excursion to Fengdu. Visit Shibaoshai in the afternoon.

Day 9 Cruise (B/L/D)

Sail through the first Qutang Gorge and the second Wu Gorge. After the boat reaches Shennong Stream, switch to a small boat and sail deep into the Three Lesser Gorges. Arrive upstream and float by an ethnic village to enjoy the most scenic of all gorges. Return to the ship and sail to the Xiling Gorge and the huge Three Gorges Dam.

Day 10 Yichang · Shanghai (B/L)

Excursion to the Three Gorges Dam and then pass the 5 ship locks before arriving in Yichang. Transfer to the airport and flight to Shanghai. Arrive and transfer to your hotel.

Accommodation › Ocean Hotel for 3 nights

Day 11 Shanghai (B/L)

A full day tour of Shanghai will include Yu Garden, the Xintiandi and Pudong New Development Zone, the Shanghai Museum and the Bund.

Day 12 Shanghai • Suzhou • Shanghai (B/L)

Excursion to the city of Suzhou. Visit the famous gardens, a silk spinning factory and Pingjiang Road old town area. Return to Shanghai late afternoon.

Day 13 Shanghai • Depart (B)

Check out from your hotel. Transfer to the airport for your flight(s) home.

INCLUSIONS

Domestic flights within China as per itinerary · Return airport transfers · English speaking local guides · accommodations in double occupancy · Meals, visits and excursions as per itinerary ·

Not included · International airfare and airport taxes · Gratuities to hotel personnel, guides and drivers. · Optional excursions · Beverages · Visa for China: approx: \$140 · Gratuities to cruise personnel, guides, drivers (suggested: USD25 for cruise staff, USD10 per day for the guide, USD5 per day for driver). **Note: A Visa is required for China.**

This is a join-in tour locally guided in each city. The tour is guaranteed with minimum 2 passengers. The maximum number of participants is unknown at time of booking. It is possible to take this tour on a private basis (\$)

Rates in CAD\$ per person, double occupancy, starting from	
Wednesday departures	Land package
April 3, 10, 17, 24, 2019	3149
May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 2019	3199
June 5 – August 14, 2019	3149
August 21- October 23, 2019	3299
October 30, 2019	3199
Minimum 2 passengers required to guarantee the departure	
Single supplement	On request