



# Explore China

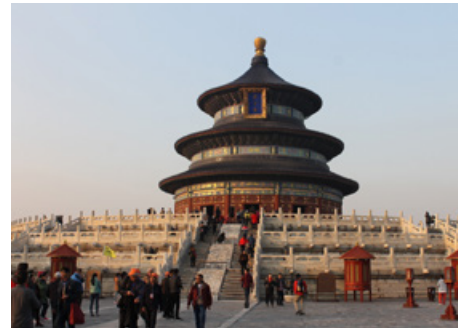
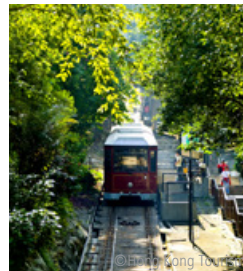
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China is vast. Known as the Middle Kingdom by the ancient Chinese, China is the 3rd largest country in the world. It is surrounded by 14 other nations and has 5 different time zones. With three major regions, China stretches from the mountainous west, to the desert plains of the Mongol Plateau to Manchuria in the northeast. The largely low-lying eastern region consists of the valleys and floodplains of the Yangtze and Yellow Rivers, through to the coastal plains of the Pearl River in the south.

### Best Time to Travel

The most comfortable seasons of the year are early autumn, September to early October, and spring, late March through May. During these periods, temperatures are about 50-70°F throughout China with a limited amount of rain. Summer (from June to the end of August) can be extremely hot with temperatures well above 80°F. Summer is also the rainy season.





# Perfect Hong Kong & China Getaway

9 nights / 10 days

Hong Kong • Beijing • Xian • Shanghai

from **\$1,999\*** pp based on double occupancy

Home to over one billion people, China is a mysterious and fascinating nation with breath-taking landscapes, futuristic cities and an incredible array of iconic historical sites that date back many thousands of years. A journey to China offers the opportunity to view the development and progress of this dynamic country with its modern skyscrapers and contemporary designs. At the same time, visitors also encounter the world's oldest continuous civilization and its many traditions and customs. This perfect week takes you to the top three destinations in China - Beijing for its iconic monuments; Xian, the home of the Terracotta warriors; and Shanghai, a modern city with a traditional side.

### Itinerary:

#### Day 1: Arrive Hong Kong

On arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Remainder of the day at leisure.

#### Day 2: Hong Kong

Half day Hong Kong Island tour. Remainder of day at leisure to explore on your own. (B)

#### Day 3: Hong Kong

Day at leisure to explore, shop or, for those who wish to experience something different, we recommend a cooking lesson and visit to a wet market, or a hike along Dragon's Back, or a trip to Macau for the day. Other touring options available on request. (B)

#### Day 4: Hong Kong to Beijing

At leisure until transferred to the airport for your flight to Beijing (airfare not included). On arrival you will be transferred to your accommodation. Rest of day at leisure.

#### Day 5: Beijing

Visit many icons on this full day tour: Tiananmen Square; Forbidden City; Summer Palace and Temple of Heaven (B,L)

#### Day 6: Beijing

Another day of checking off 'bucket list' sights – visit the Great Wall and the Ming Tombs (B,L)

#### Day 7: Xian

Fly to Xian (airfare not included), visit the amazing Terracotta Warriors, and enjoy a lively evening Tang Dynasty Dinner Show featuring sumptuous local cuisine and folkloric entertainment. (B,L,D)

#### Day 8: Shanghai

Fly to Shanghai (airfare not included), afternoon at leisure in this electric city. (B)

#### Day 9: Shanghai

Day tour of the shoppers paradise Nanjing Road, The Bund, Yu Garden and the Jade Buddha Temple (B,L)

#### Day 10: Depart

Transferred to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

### Inclusions:

- Three nights accommodation in Hong Kong
- Three nights' accommodation in Beijing
- One night's accommodation in Xi'An
- Two nights' accommodation in Shanghai
- Half-day Hong Kong highlights tour
- Full-day Beijing tour
- Full-day Great Wall tour
- Terracotta Warriors
- Tang Dynasty Dinner Show
- Full-day Shanghai tour
- 14 Meals: 9 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 1 dinner
- All transfers

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