

# Discover China - 9 Day Tour

## November 30-December 8, 2016

### Product Highlights:

- Visit 3 cities; Beijing, Xi'an and Shanghai
- International & Domestic airtax/surcharges included
- Includes everyday breakfasts, 5 lunches, and 1 Beijing Duck special dinner
- English speaking tour guide throughout, A/C Coach, 8.0+ rating hotels

### Itinerary Details

#### Day 1. Hometown - Beijing



Today board the flight to Beijing. Enjoy the on Board food, beverage and entertainment.

#### Day 2. Arrive Beijing

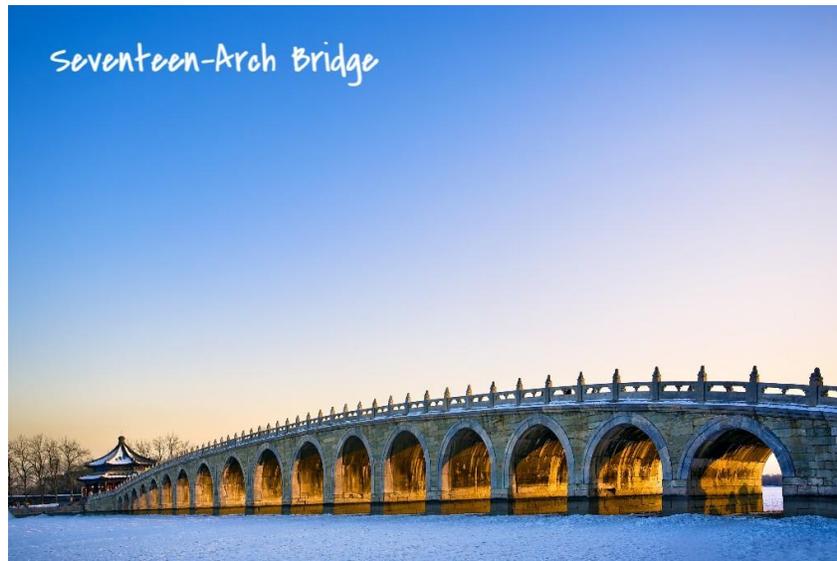
We arrive at Beijing, the capital city of China. Greet our local guide in the airport and transfer to our luxury accommodations for a good night's rest.



#### Day 3. Beijing (Breakfast, Lunch, Welcome Dinner)

This morning, you will sight-see Tiananmen Square, which is noted as the largest public square in the world and then the Imperial Palace in the Forbidden City. The Forbidden City was the Chinese imperial palace from the Ming dynasty to the end of the Qing dynasty. For almost 500 years, it served as the home of emperors and their households, as well as the ceremonial and political center of Chinese government. Later stop at a

Pearl Factory to gain a little knowledge of fresh pearls. Followed by the visit of Summer Palace, the entire site is comprised of 800 buildings with more than 9,000 rooms. In the evening, your included welcoming dinner will feature the famous Peking Duck and wine.



#### **Day 4. Beijing (Breakfast, Lunch)**

The Great Wall of China is one of the seven greatest man-made wonders of the world and is definitely the focal point of China. You will hike along the Great Wall (Juyongguan Pass). After that, you will stop at a Jade Museum to learn the history of Jade. In Chinese, jade is pronounced as 'Yu', and it has a history in China of at least four thousand years, later visit Traditional Chinese Medicine Center and enjoy a foot-massage.



### Day 5. Beijing - Xian (Breakfast, Lunch)



Today we continue our journey by flying to Xian, the capital of Shaanxi Province, one of the oldest cities in China. Xian is one of the Four Great Ancient Capitals of China with more than 3100 years of history. The city was known as "Chang'an" before Ming Dynasty. Xian is the eastern terminus of the Silk Road and home to the Terra Cotta Warriors. Upon arrival in Xian, your first stop will be at the Buddhist Jianfu Temple, where the towering Small Wild Goose Pagoda commands panoramic views of the city.



### Day 6. Xian (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

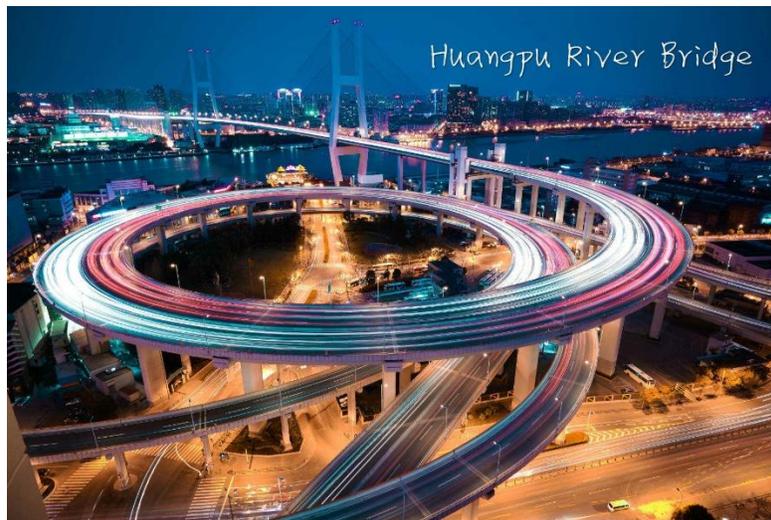
In 221 BC, Qin Shi Huang unified China and became the first emperor. When he died, an entire Terra Cotta Army was constructed to be buried along with the emperor. It was uncovered serendipity in 1974 by farmers, and then became one of the century's greatest archaeological discoveries. You will visit the Terra Cotta Warriors and Horses Museum, and Terra Cotta Army replication factories. Drive back to hotel after the local restaurant dinner.



### Day 7. Xian - Shanghai (Breakfast, Lunch)



Catch the morning flight to Shanghai, which boasts the largest population of any city in China. The highlights of today's sightseeing tour include the Yuyuan Garden, Shanghai's old Street, the colonial styled Bund and the Nanjing Road.



### Day 8. Shanghai (Breakfast)

Today is free for leisure or last minutes shopping.

#### **Or chose our Zhujiajiao one days tour (\$99 per person, Lunch included)**

You will be picked up on your hotel in the morning around 800 and tour Zhujiajiao. Zhujiajiao Ancient Town is a town with over 1,000 years of history featuring rivers, bridges, old streets and gardens. Small rivers crisscross the town with 36 old bridges on them. Over 1,000 houses first built in Ming and Qing dynasties (1368-1911) stand along

both sides of nine narrow streets. There are famous sights like Fangsheng Bridge, Baoguo Temple, town god's temple and Zhuxi Garden, offering different kinds of photo opportunities.

Highlight of the tour includes a traditional sampan ride on the canals with about 20 minutes and at least four highlighted spots: Kezhi Garden, Tongtianhe Medicine Shop, Qing Dynasty Post Office and Yuanjin Meditation Room. Lunch will be in a local restaurant in the town. Then transfer to Seven Treasures Town which is famous for its old streets. You will be transferred back to the port in the later afternoon at around 5pm.



### Day 9. Shanghai - Hometown (Breakfast)

All good things must come to an end. Board your return flight back home and bid farewell to China, your short yet amazing Chinatour.com family trip ends.

#### **Recommended Options:**

Day 3: Hutong tour with rickshaw ride (\$29 per person)

Day 4: The Golden Mask Dynasty Show (Family friendly with spectacular costumes and ballet dancing with acrobats thrown in) (\$49 per person)

Day 5: Dumpling Banquet & Tang Dynasty Stage Show (Family friendly show with special cooked dumpling and traditional food) (\$39 per person)

Day 7: Huang Pu River Cruise (Night panorama of the Bund) (\$49 per person) or

Acrobatic Show.

Day 8: Zhujiajiao one day tour. (priced above)

**Hotels (we reserve the right to change the hotels to similar rating ones):**

7 nights DELUXE accommodations:

Beijing 3 nights - Crowne Plaza Wangfujing, Beijing ★★★★★

Xi'an 2 nights - Sheraton Hotel Xi'an ★★★★★

Shanghai 2 nights - Renaissance by Marriott Hotel ★★★★★

**Not included:**

**Expenditure of a personal nature**

**Gratuities (suggested USD \$10/person/day)**

**Chinese visa: USD \$189/person for U.S. Passport holders**

**\$300 deposit per person**