

INDEPENDENT TRIPS

Beijing, Xian & Shanghai Air-Expedition 10D/9N

Cultural

10 Days / 1 Country

China

Departure city: **Beijing, China**

End city: **Shanghai, China**

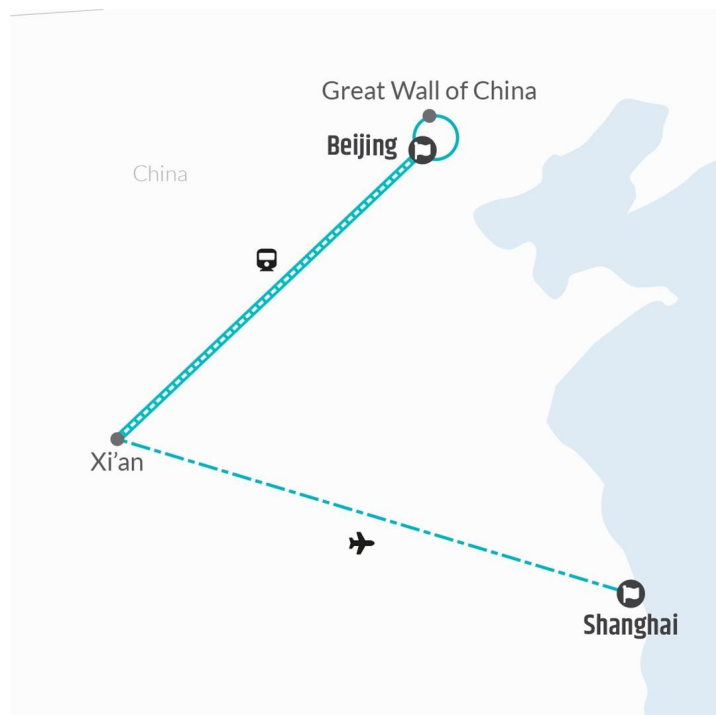


HIGHLIGHTS

- Take a day trip to the Great Wall of China
- Discover the unique Xi'an Terracotta Army
- Explore the cultural beauty that is Shanghai

Join this 10-day tour to explore the historic cities of Beijing and Xian, before heading to the ultra modern metropolis of Shanghai.

MAP



What is included



Independent Trips

Include all of your accommodation, transport and experiences on a pre-set trip that you can customize to perfectly suit your travel needs.



Accommodation: 9

- 9 nights in budget, 3-star or 4-star hotel
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Transport: 3

- Airport Transfers, Van Shanghai airport drop-off (shared)
 - Beijing airport pick-up (shared) All transport on tour
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Meals: 5

- 3 Breakfast(s), 2 Lunch(es),
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Guides:

- Local guide during some activities
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What is not included

- *International airport departure tax
- *Visas
- *Late check out at hotels
- *Other meals and drinks
- *Drinks with included lunches
- *Tips
- *Personal expenses
- *Personal insurance
- *Optional activities

*Prices for optional activities are subject to change at any time without prior notice. Please confirm these prices before departing on your trip.

Additional information

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It's possible to do this itinerary in reverse (Shanghai-Beijing). Please inquire for details.

Itinerary

Day 1: Beijing, China

Arrival Beijing, Airport Pickup

Today you will be picked-up upon arrival at Beijing airport and transferred to your accommodation where you will have time to get settled in. Enjoy some free time to explore Beijing before a 6pm welcome meeting. Overnight in Beijing.

Day 2: Beijing, China

Beijing Free Day & Chinese Acrobatics Show

Enjoy a free day today in Beijing with plenty of time to discover the incredible sights of Tiananmen Square, the Forbidden City and the Temple of Heaven or Lama Temple (these activities are not included in package). Tonight you will watch a fascinating Chinese Acrobatics show in which the performers contort their bodies in ways you never imagined possible! Overnight in Beijing.

Day 3: Beijing, China

Great Wall of China Day Tour (L)

Today you will depart on an exciting and much-anticipated guided day trip to the Great Wall of China located approximately 2 hours from Beijing.

Different sections of the wall were built over time, the earliest dating from 200 BC by the first Emperor of China, Qin Shihuang. Stretching from Lop Lake in the west to Shanhaiguan in the east, several different walls were built in the 7th century during the Ming Dynasty as border defence against invasions of neighbouring nomadic groups. The wall has also served as a border control along the Silk Road for regulation of goods and taxes and as a transportation corridor. Enjoy your day at the Great Wall of China with your guide to learn about the historical events that occurred here and to admire the incredible natural mountain landscapes surrounding you. Enjoy the drive back to Beijing and rest up tonight at your accommodation after a an exciting day! Overnight in Beijing.

Day 4: Beijing, China

Half-Day Beijing Tour & Gong Fu Night Show (L)

Today you will enjoy a half-day guided tour of Beijing. You can also make your own way to explore Beijing's Hutongs, the narrow alleys and traditional courtyard residences that were once commonplace in northern Chinese cities. At one time, Hutongs were joined together to create entire neighbourhoods. Visit a local family to experience a taste of life in a Hutong. Enjoy more free time this afternoon to visit the Summer Palace, Olympic Park and make a trip to the Silk Market for some souvenir shopping (entrance fees not included). Tonight you will enjoy a fantastic Gong Fu Show. Overnight in Beijing.

Day 5: Beijing-Xian, China

Train from Beijing to Xian

Today you will check-out of your Beijing accommodation and be transferred to the bullet train station. There, board your train for a 6-hour journey to Xi'an. Upon arrival, you will be transferred to your new accommodation and then you'll have the remainder of the day at your leisure. Overnight in Xi'an.

Day 6: Xian, China

Terracotta Warriors Tour

In the morning you will have a guided visit to the infamous Xi'an Terracotta Army, a collection of terracotta sculptures depicting the armies of Qin Shi Huang, the first Emperor of China. They were buried alongside the emperor with the purpose of protecting him in his afterlife. After the tour, explore Xi'an at your own pace. Overnight in Xi'an.

Day 7: Xi'an-Shanghai, China

Flight from Xian to Shanghai

Today you will check-out of your accommodation and be transferred to the airport to board a flight to Shanghai. Upon arrival, there will be someone waiting for you to transfer you to your accommodation where you will have the evening to explore this eclectic city as you wish. Overnight in Shanghai.

Day 8: Shanghai, China

Shanghai Day Tour (B)

Enjoy a day tour of Shanghai including a visit to the Pearl Tower Observation Deck for stunning views over the city. You'll also have the chance to see the Bund, the waterfront promenade of the Huangpu River, to get a taste of 1920s Shanghai. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at your own leisure. Overnight in Shanghai.

Day 9: Shanghai, China

Shanghai Free Day (B)

Have a day to enjoy Shanghai at your own pace, where you can go shopping at the fake goods market, explore Yu Gardens or wander through the picturesque former French Concession. Overnight in Shanghai.

Day 10: Shanghai, China

Shanghai Airport Drop-off (B)

After checking-out of your accommodation, you will be transferred to the Shanghai airport, where your amazing trip will come to an end.

