

Taiwan Highlights

9 day round the island tour to Taipei, Sun Moon Lake, Taipei, Sun Moon Lake, Fo Guang Shan Buddhist Monastery, Kaohsiung, Kenting National Park, East Coast & Taroko National Park

This round the Taiwan Island Seat-in-Coach Tour will visit Highlights in Taipei City, then the must-see Sun Moon Lake; explore the geologically stunning Taroko National Park and all the photogenic tunnels, waterfalls, cliffs, and gorges. Discover Taiwan's diverse and breathtaking geography as we tour the island's varied terrain to enjoy some of the most scenic, awe-inspiring sights.

Day 1 Sat Arrival Taipei Every Saturday

Upon arrival, you are met and transferred to hotel. Overnight in Taipei.

Day 2 Sun Half Day Taipei City Tour

MEAL: B

Today we visit Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall, an impressive monument in memory of President Chiang Kai-shek; then followed by a photo stop at the historical landmark Grand Hotel Taipei. On the way, our tour guide will have a quick introduce when we pass by Presidential Office Building, a symbolic landmark and historical site in Taipei City. We continue to Martyrs' Shrine, where you can experience the highlight of the guard changing ceremony. Our last stop is the world-famous National Palace Museum, which has a collection of nearly 700,000 pieces of ancient Chinese artifacts and artworks throughout 8,000 years of Chinese art over multiple dynasties. Return to your hotel. Overnight at Taipei.

Day 3 Mon Taipei ➡ Sun Moon Lake

MEAL: B

Today we will drive to Sun Moon Lake which is located in the middle of Taiwan and situated 762 meters above sea level in the lofty mountains of Central Taiwan. Tour will stop at the famous Wenwu Temple, also known as Literature-Warrior Temple, dedicated to Confucius as Master of Pen and to Kuan Ti as Master of Sword, Holy Monk Shrine and Ci En Pagoda. After touring round Sun Moon Lake, check in hotel. Enjoy natural hot spring at the Fleur de Chine Hotel, Sun Moon Lake. You can also enjoy the walking trails, biking, hiking or boating at the lake. Overnight in Sun Moon Lake.

Day 4 Tue Sun Moon Lake ➡ Foguangshan Monastery ➡ Kaohsiung

MEAL: B

Check out hotel, we will stop by Xiangshan Visitor Centre before driving to Fo Guang Shan Buddhist Monastery, the most famous Buddhist sacred place of southern Taiwan. Here you will learn about Buddhism during the monastery walking tour to visit "Buddha Memorial Centre" and communicate with some of the monks or nuns during the visit. Continuously, we will drive to Kaohsiung City, which is the second largest city of Taiwan. The tour will take you to Love River and Liuhe Night Market. Overnight in Kaohsiung.

Day 5 Wed Kaohsiung ➡ Kenting ➡ Chipen Hot Springs, Taitung

MEAL: B

Morning tour to Kenting National Park, located at Taiwan's southern tip and the 37 miles of coral-rimmed shoreline along three sides of the park provide its main attractions. Stops will be made at Eluanbi light house, Maobitou coastal scenic area, Chuanfan (Sail) Rock and Longpan Park. Continue to drive to Taitung via Southern Link Highway.

Overnight stay in Chihpen.

Enjoy natural hot spring at Hotel Royal Chihpen (Zhiben Hot Springs).

Day 6 Thu Taitung ➡ East Coast National Scenic Area ➡ Hualien

MEAL: B

After breakfast, it will be an exciting East Coast Tour. The East Coast National Scenic Area, known as "Taiwan's last unspoiled land", stretches 170 kilometers down the east coast of the island. Weathering, erosion and accumulation have produced a wide range of landforms here. Our tour will stop at Xiaoyeliu, Sanxiantai, Shitiping (Stone Steps), Fanshuliao marble factory and showroom. Late afternoon, we will proceed to Hualien for overnight stay at Taroko National Park.

Day 7 Fri Taroko Gorge & Taipei**MEAL: B**

After breakfast, we will visit Taroko National Park. Taroko Gorge is an exceptionally beautiful, narrow raving created by the Liwu River which has cut deep into the mountains of solid marble. A road carved into sheer walls of rock rewinding its way past forested peaks and cliffs towering thousands of feet above it, while hundreds of feet below a river roars past gigantic marble boulders. Stops will be made at Taroko Gorge Gateway, Shakadang Trail or Lushui Trail, Swallow Grotto, Cihmu Bridge and Changchun Temple (Eternal Spring Shrine). We then drive back to Taipei with a stop at Qingshui Cliff, drive through Syue-Shan Long Tunnel (12.9 Kms). Expect to arrive into Taipei at around 6 PM.

Check in your hotel in Taipei for 2 nights.

Day 8 Sat Taipei - Jiufen Village and North Coast Tour**MEAL: B**

This morning you will take SIC half day tour to Northern Coast and visit Jiufen Village, the mountainside village of Jiufen was once the country's gold mining center. Today, it's a popular tourist destination known for its quaint streets and alleyways; traditional teahouses; myriad food stalls and souvenir shops; and spectacular views of the surrounding mountains and Pacific Ocean. Return back to Taipei. The rest of the day is at leisure.

Day 9 Sun Taipei departure**MEAL: B**

This morning is at leisure. Transfer to airport for your flight home bound.

Land Only Price per person (in A\$)

Hotel options	Price	Single supplement
A – 4* Hotel	\$1890	\$1140
B – 5* Hotel	\$2190	\$1380
Option A Hotels: 4* Taipei Howard Plaza; 5* Sun Moon Lake Fleur De Chine Hotel (Mountain View); 5* Kaohsiung Grand Hi-Lai Hotel; 5* Taitung Hotel Royal Chihpen; 5* Taroko Silk Place or similar		
Option B Hotels: 5* Taipei Regent / Marriott Hotel; 5* Sun Moon Lake Fleur De Chine Hotel (Mountain View); 5* Kaohsiung Grand Hi-Lai Hotel; 5* Taitung Hotel Royal Chihpen; 5* Taroko Silk Place or similar		

Inclusions:

1. Fully inclusive seat-in-coach tour with English speaking guide, entrance fees, transfers and meals as per above itinerary.
2. 8 nights Twin share hotel accommodation at 4-5 * hotels as per above selected hotel option.

Exclusions:

1. Any air tickets, please call us for best airfare flying with China Airlines (direct flight to Taipei) or Cathay Pacific Airways via Hong Kong, Singapore Airlines via Singapore or Chinese carriers via mainland China.
2. Personal expenses, unscheduled meals, drinks, tipping to guides, travel insurance etc

Children Discount Policy:

Children under 12 pay 90% adult rate, sharing room with parents with extra bedding.
Children share room with one parent will pay full adult rate.

Remarks:

This is a seat in coach tour; guaranteed departure every Saturday all year round except 30 Dec 2023; 10 Feb 2024, but subject to availability and final confirmation. Surcharge may apply for Cycle Show (dates TBA in March), New Year's period, Christmas and other event dates. The group size in some of the departures in high season may go up to 40 people. **Prices are valid to 30 June 2024 and subject to change.**