



# Golden Silk Road

14 day tour to Guangzhou, Lanzhou, Jiayuguan Pass, Dunhuang, Turpan, Urumqi and Kashgar

Ancient Silk Road, where the cultures of the East meets the West, will take you to the Jiayuguan Pass to see the west end of the Great Wall, the Mogao Grottoes in Dunhuang, a local family visit in Kashgar, the capital city of Xinjiang – Urumqi and the famous Sunday Bazaar in Kashgar and more



**Day 1 Australia ✈ Guangzhou**  
Fly with China Southern Airlines evening flight to Guangzhou.

**Day 2 Guangzhou ✈ Lanzhou** Meal: D  
Arrive Guangzhou in the morning; take connecting flight to Lanzhou; afternoon visit to Yellow River and the city, including the Waterwheel Park.

**Day 3 Lanzhou 🚗 Bingningsi Temple** Meal: B/L  
Day trip to Bingningsi Temple. The Binglingsi Temple is a series of grottoes filled with Buddhist sculpture carved into natural caves and caverns in a canyon along the Yellow River. You take boat ride to reach the grottoes via the Liujiaxia Reservoir.

**Day 4 Lanzhou ✈ Jiayuguan Pass** Meal: B/L/D  
Board the flight to Jiayuguan Pass, which is the western end of the Great Wall of China. You start your tour to the Jiayuguan Fortress, an impenetrable fortress surrounded by 3 inner and outer walls and several lines of defense. You will also visit to the Great Wall Museum.

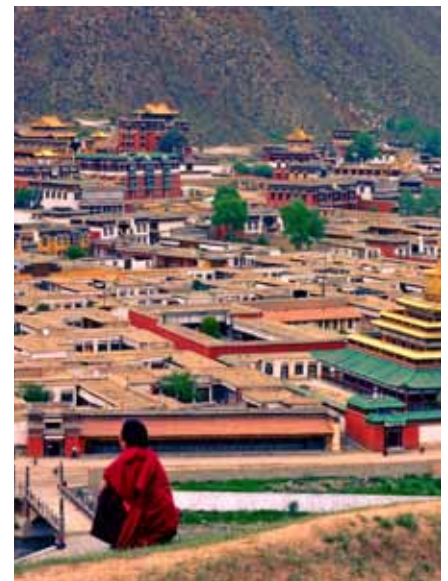
**Day 5 Jiayuguan 🚗 Dunhuang** Meal: B/L/D  
Today you will travel by coach to Dunhuang, a strategic staging post on the Silk Road with a history of more than 2,000 years.

**Day 6 Dunhuang** Meal: B/L  
Today you visit Dunhuang's most famous monument - The Mogao Grottoes. These grottoes are popularly known as the 'Thousand Buddha Caves', and have a history of over 1600 years. The walls of the caves are lined with Buddhist frescoes, Scriptures, murals and sculpted figures; you also visit

Mingsha Hill and Crescent Moon Lake set in an amphitheatre of sand dunes.

**Day 7 Dunhuang 🚗 Turpan** Meal: B/D  
This morning is at leisure. In the afternoon take high speed train to Turpan (approx. 4 hours), the oasis town famous for its melons and vineyards. Turpan is located in the Gobi desert and the lowest city in China as well as the driest and hottest. Upon arrival met and transferred to your hotel.

**Day 8 Turpan 🚗 Urumqi** Meal: B/L/D  
Today you will visit the bazaar and experience the atmosphere of the Uyghur way of life. You also visit the ancient city of Jiaohe and a Karez Well. The Karez Well is an underground irrigation system unique to the area. Drive to Urumqi in the late afternoon. A buffet dinner is served at your hotel.







**Day 9 Urumqi** Meal: B/L/D  
 This morning you cruise on Heavenly Lake (Tianchi), a deep blue lake surrounded by the snowcapped Heavenly Mountain (Tianshan), followed by a visit to the Museum of Minorities and History.

**Day 10 Urumqi ✈️ Kashgar** Meal: B/L/D  
 Fly to Kashgar this morning. Kashgar is an ancient oasis city at a strategic point dominating the ancient trade routes in far western China. You visit the Abak Hoja (Fragrant Concubine) Tomb and the Sunday Bazaar. You spend two nights in Kashgar.



**Day 11 Kashgar** Meal: B/L  
 Today you visit the Moore Buddha Pagoda, then onto a Uygur village. Next stop the Id Kah Mosque.

**Day 12 Kashgar ✈️ Guangzhou** Meal: B/D  
 Today you will fly from Kashgar to Guangzhou. You spend one night in Guangzhou.



**Day 13 Guangzhou ✈️ Australia** Meal: B  
 Today is at leisure. In time you are transferred to the airport for your flight bound for Australia.

**Day 14 Australia**  
 Arrive in Australia in the morning.

**Golden Silk Road Dates & Prices**

Tour code	Start Sydney Friday	End Guangzhou Wednesday	Full package with international airfare departing from Sydney / Melbourne / Brisbane / Perth
			China Southern Airlines
SR170519	19-May-17	31-May-17	\$4,680
SR170630	30-Jun-17	12-Jul-17	\$4,780
SR170908	08-Sep-17	20-Sep-17	\$4,780

Land Only: \$4180      Single supplement: \$880

\* This tour is a guaranteed departure based on a minimum of 2 people. Full package prices above include airport taxes and fuel surcharges.

\* Please refer to Page 13 for [Tour Inclusions](#) and [Extending Your Holiday](#) details.

\* Land Only price: Tour starts from Arrival transfer in Lanzhou (day 2) to Departure transfer in Guangzhou, including domestic air tickets & taxes but excludes any international air tickets.

\* Extra China visa fee see page 12 for details.

\* Package prices of China Southern are for departing from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane and Perth. Those depart from Brisbane will fly day flight and stay overnight at airport hotel; no meals included on day 1.

**Hotels used for this tour:** 4\* Lanzhou Sapphire Hotel; 4\* Jiayuguan Jiugang Hotel; 4\* Dunhuang Silk Road Hotel; 4\* Tuha Petroleum Hotel; 4\* Urumqi Luxemon Yindu Hotel Building B; 4\* Kashgar Qiniwak Hotel; 4.5\* Guangzhou Dongfang Hotel or similar.

**Pre / Post Stay Hotel:** \$160 (Lanzhou) / \$170 (Guangzhou) - per room per night with breakfast