



# China Splendid

## 14 day tour to Beijing, Xian, Shanghai, Yangtze Cruise & Chongqing

This tour starts in the bustling city of Beijing where we'll visit the Forbidden City, eat Peking duck and walk along the Great Wall. Another fantastic highlight of this tour is to visit the magnificent Terracotta Warriors and Horses, which are considered to be one of the greatest archaeological finds of the last century. Shanghai, the New York of the Orient. Here, we take a stroll along the Bund and the famous Nanjing Road, visit the beautiful Yu Garden and lively Yuyuan market. We then board our deluxe cruise ship, home for the next 4 nights on one of the world's greatest waterways - the Yangtze River.



### Day 1 Australia ✈ Beijing

Depart on your flight to Beijing. Your tour guide will meet you at the airport and transfer you to your hotel.

### Day 2 Beijing

Meal: B/L/D

Today's visit includes Tiananmen Square, the largest city square in the world. From Tiananmen Square enter the Forbidden City. This massive complex was the centre of the Ming and Qing dynasties. With almost 10,000 rooms, this well-preserved imperial palace is the largest in the world. After lunch, you will go to Baihai Park which was the winter palace for the emperors in the past.

### Day 3 Beijing

Meal: B/L/SD

Today you experience the splendour of the Great Wall, the pride of China and one of the Seven Wonders of the World. It is an amazing manmade structure built over 2000 years ago to protect China from northern invaders. On the way back to the city, we will have a photo stop at the Bird's Nest and Water Cube which played host for the 2008 Olympics. This evening enjoy a delicious Peking Duck Banquet.

### Day 4 Beijing

Meal: B/L

This morning you visit the Summer Palace, the largest and best preserved of all imperial palace gardens. Be amazed with fascination at the Marble Boat and the ornately painted Long Corridor. After lunch, this afternoon is at leisure.

### Day 5 Beijing 🚄 Xian

Meal: B/D

This morning you visit the Temple of Heaven, where emperors of the Ming and Qing dynasties would make offerings to heaven and pray for good harvests. You are transferred to the train station and take high speed train to Xian. You will experience the high speed train which runs 300 km per hour and takes around 4.5 hours for this 1,216 kilometer long journey. Xian is the most historic city in China and the capital of ancient China for 11 dynasties.

### Day 6 Xian

Meal: B/L/SD

Today's touring is to the vast treasure of the underground army of the Terracotta Warriors. They are to be found at an archaeological site which so far has yielded some 8000 ancient terracotta soldiers and horses, each a unique, finely detailed sculpture. This afternoon, you visit the ancient city wall which is one of the best persevered in China. Dinner is a sumptuous dumpling banquet and the spectacular Tang Dynasty stage show.

### Day 7 Xian 🚄 Shanghai

Meal: B

This morning, you are transferred to the train station and take high speed train to Shanghai. It takes around 6 hours for this 1,503 kilometer long journey. Upon arrival, you visit Xintiandi, where "yesterday meets tomorrow in Shanghai today." As a recreation born out of the sprawls of Shikumen housing, which is the architectural symbol of Shanghai in the 20th century, Shanghai Xintiandi, "the City's Living-room" is a place to unwind and relax after a long day. Check in at your hotel.

### Day 8 Shanghai

Meal: B/L

After breakfast, the day begins with a grand city tour of Shanghai - the classical Ming Dynasty Yu Yuan Gardens with pavilions, towers and terraces and Pudong, the new economic district across from the Bund.





The tour continues after lunch with a stroll along the spacious promenade of the Bund and some window shopping along bustling Nanjing Road. You can enjoy your shopping at the local market.

**Day 9 Shanghai 🇨🇳 Yichang Meal: B/D**  
 Today you are transferred to the train station for your high speed train to Yichang (takes 7 – 8 hours, flight option available), where you board your deluxe river vessel the MV Century Diamond Cruise. (3 off-shore excursions to Shibao Pagoda, Shennv Stream, and Three Gorges Dam Site are included. Optional tours to Tribe of the Three Gorges, Hometown of Quyan and White King Town are not included please book direct with the cruise when on board).

**Day 10 Yangtze Cruise Meal: B/L/D**  
 Depart from Yichang on your voyage upstream. Passing through the five-stage ship lock system on the north bank, the boat will be lifted through the locks more than 500 feet. Shore excursion to the Three Gorges Dam site, passing through Xiling Gorge,

followed by tonight’s Captains welcome dinner. (Optional tour to Three Gorges Tribes)

**Day 11 Yangtze Cruise Meal: B/L/D**  
 Today you pass through Wu Gorge in the morning and take a shore excursion to Shennv Stream or Shennong Stream (included). This afternoon pass through the Qutang Gorge. (Optional tour to White Emperor Town or you can relax on board).

**Day 12 Yangtze Cruise Meal: B/L/D**  
 This morning’s shore excursion to Shibao Pagoda. This afternoon relax on board. Tonight is a farewell dinner on the cruise.

**Day 13 Chongqing ✈ Australia Meal: B**  
 After disembarking in Chongqing this morning, you will have short city tour if time permits, then onto Chongqing Zoo to see the Pandas. After lunch, transferred to the airport for your flight bound for Sydney.

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

China Splendid Departure Dates & Prices

Tour code	Start Beijing Tuesday	End Chongqing Sunday	Full package with international airfare departing from Sydney / Melbourne / Brisbane / Adelaide / Perth		
			China Eastern	Cathay Pacific	Qantas
CS180313	13-Mar-18	25-Mar-18	\$3,690	\$3,790	\$3,840
CS180327	27-Mar-18	08-Apr-18	\$3,690	\$3,790	\$3,840
CS180417	17-Apr-18	29-Apr-18	\$3,790	\$3,890	\$3,940
CS180508	08-May-18	20-May-18	\$3,690	\$3,790	\$3,840
CS180522	22-May-18	03-Jun-18	\$3,690	\$3,790	\$3,840
CS180612	12-Jun-18	24-Jun-18	\$3,690	\$3,790	\$3,840
CS180710	10-Jul-18	22-Jul-18	\$3,790	\$3,890	\$3,940
CS180807	07-Aug-18	19-Aug-18	\$3,690	\$3,790	\$3,840
CS180904	04-Sep-18	16-Sep-18	\$3,790	\$3,890	\$3,940
CS180925	25-Sep-18	07-Oct-18	\$3,790	\$3,890	\$3,940
CS181009	09-Oct-18	21-Oct-18	\$3,790	\$3,890	\$3,940
CS181023	23-Oct-18	04-Nov-18	\$3,790	\$3,890	\$3,940
CS181120	20-Nov-18	02-Dec-18	\$3,790	\$3,890	\$3,940
CS190319	19-Mar-19	31-Mar-19	\$3,790	\$3,890	\$3,940
CS190402	02-Apr-19	14-Apr-19	\$3,890	\$3,990	\$4,040
CS190416	16-Apr-19	28-Apr-19	\$3,890	\$3,990	\$4,040
CS190430	30-Apr-19	12-May-19	\$3,890	\$3,990	\$4,040
# Land Only: \$3,080			Single supplement: \$980		

\* 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.

\* Triple share on cruise not recommended duo to the cabin size, a single cabin on cruise with surcharge of \$380 can be arranged.

# Land Only price: Tour starts from Arrival Transfer in Beijing and Departure Transfer in Chongqing, including 2nd class high speed train Beijing - Xian - Shanghai - Yichang but excludes any international air tickets.

\* 2nd class train Beijing - Xian - Shanghai - Yichang included; upgrade to 1st class with surcharge \$210 pp subject to availability.

\* Extra China visa fee see page 10 for details.

\* Package prices of China Eastern are for departures from Sydney or Melbourne only.

\* Package prices of Cathay Pacific / Qantas are for departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth. Any cost including hotel or meals incurred due to the connecting flight in Hong Kong will be at your own expenses.

Hotels used for this tour: 4\* Beijing Park Plaza Science Park; 4\* Xian Wyndham Hotel; 4\* Shanghai Regal East Asia Hotel; 4.5\* luxury MV Century Diamond Yangtze Cruise or similar.

Pre / Post Stay Hotel: \$160 (Beijing) / \$160 (Chongqing) - per room per night with breakfast