

Trip to China – March 2011

Sample Itinerary and Highlights



Day 1 (Depart for China) – March 13th

Board an afternoon flight from JFK International Airport in New York City to Beijing, China. Your adventure begins as you fly trans-Pacific aboard a wide cabin jetliner cross the International Dateline.

Day 2 (Beijing) – March 14th

Arrive in Beijing, the capital of China. You will be met with your local tour guide at the airport. After dinner, you will be taken to your hotel.

Day 3 (Beijing) – March 15th

Travel by bus to Tian An Men Square, the largest square in the world and the Temple of Heaven, built in 1420 A.D. The day's sightseeing also includes the Palace Museum, known as the Forbidden City, home of 24 emperors and featuring 9,999 rooms, and the Summer Palace, Kunming Lake and Longevity Hill, Seventeen-Arch Bridge and Marble Boat.

Day 4 (Beijing) – March 16th

Your tour bus will take you to the 4,000 mile long Great Wall of China, built 2,000 years ago and said to be the only man-made structure visible by the naked eye from the moon. You will also visit the Ming Tombs and finish your day with a dinner of roast Beijing Duck.

Day 5 (Shanghai & Suzhou) March 17th

Board an Air China flight to Shanghai. From there, a tour bus will take you to the City of Suzhou for an afternoon of sightseeing including the centuries old Linger Garden, Tiger Hill and Hanshan Temple. Then head to the National Embroidery Institute to see beautiful silk embroidery, an important local craft with 1,000 years history. Wrap up your day with an evening dinner show of traditional Chinese music before heading to your hotel.

Day 6 (Suzhou & Hangzhou) March 18th

Morning tour bus journey to the city of Hangzhou. Visit the Economic Development Zone and tour the centuries old Lingyin Temple, with the main feature of the 64.3 ft-high camphor-wood carved Buddha.

Day 7 (Hangzhou & Shanghai) March 19th

Enjoy a morning boat cruise around Hangzhou's West Lake, with relaxing stopovers at jewel-like pagodas and tea houses. In the afternoon, head by bus to Shanghai.

Day 8 (Shanghai) March 20th

Tour Yu Garden, a maze of marvellous pavilions, ponds and over arching trees. Also visit the Bund, a famous waterfront park and the Pudong economic development zone.

Day 9 (Shanghai & Beijing) March 21st

From Shanghai, take a morning flight back to Beijing. In the afternoon, board a flight to arrive in New York's JFK in the afternoon that same day.

*Subject to change prior to departure. This itinerary contains highlights only.