

China Trip 2017

GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS

Tour Fare Includes

- a) **International Air Transportation:** Round trip transpacific air from designated gateway per itinerary/departure date. Add-on flights between your home city and the designated gateway is on your own and not part of the tour fare.
- b) **China Internal Transportation:** All intra-China flights are included per itinerary. Private motor coach land travel, private transfers between airport and hotel, and all China domestic transportation within tour are included.
- c) **Taxes & Government Fees:** China air taxes & governmental fees, and fuel surcharges.
- d) **Accommodations:** Four and five star hotel accommodations are included in your tour cost, based on standard twin sharing.
- e) **Sightseeing & Admissions Fees:** Comprehensive sightseeing, admission/entrance fees are included per itinerary. The arrangements of these programs are determined by local tour operator and are based on local circumstances such as weather, traffic, holidays, etc.
- f) **Meals:** Daily meals and local flavors are included as specified in the itinerary. Buffet style American breakfast is served at all the hotels on your trip. Lunch and dinner are usually served in the Chinese food restaurants in a "family style" with a set menu including one glass of selected beverages per person.
- g) **Escorting/Guiding Services:** For a group travel of each tour bus in China, a professional tour guide is assigned along the program to offer local guiding services.
- h) **Porter:** Luggage handling services are included throughout China.

Final Itinerary

You will be provided with a final itinerary with the names, addresses, and phone numbers of the hotels, flight information, etc. approx. 1 month before trip departure. This may vary slightly from the current published one. Be sure to leave a copy with someone at home and always carry a copy with you on the trip.

Departure & Free Shuttle Bus Service (If Applicable)

Specific flight/gate/time, etc. information will be available prior to the departure date. You have to check in your international flight no later than 3 and half hours before the flight take off. The free shuttle bus service on departure day and return day might be applicable for groups within driving distance to the gateway airport.

The Plane/Flight/Seats

All flights are regular, scheduled passenger flights by Boeing 747, 777 or 787; Seats are assigned at check-in (Airlines contracted with us based on the condition not to pre-assign the seats for group travelers, but you can always try your luck to call airlines after you obtain the flight ticket in hand for a pre-assign since sometimes the airlines staff who take the phone call might not recall you are group traveler). We will check in as individuals, not at as a group. The plane has 4 aisle seats and 2 window seats in each row. We should arrive early enough to get good seat assignments. It is an approximately 12-hour flight. You will be served 2 meals and there will be 3 movies. You will receive your airline tickets before the departure date.

Luggage

You are allowed to check in 2 pieces of luggage (max. 50 pounds each, but 70 as total) per person plus carry-on (i.e. luggage and a purse/laptop/briefcase).

Frequent Flyer miles

Airlines normally do not count mileage to group travelers. But you can still try your luck when you check in. But for sure you cannot use your mileage points to upgrade on this trip, since it is already discounted.

Arrival

Upon your arrival to Beijing Airport, after going through immigration and customs, you will see your tour guide hold a sign with your bus number. The tour guide leads you to board your pre-assigned bus. Tip: Don't sleep too much on the plane if your arrival scheduled in the afternoon or in the evening. You want to be tired when you arrive so you will get a good night's sleep and reduce the effects of jet lag. Please wear your name badge provided by Citilinc.

Hotels

Hotels are 4 and 5 star. All of the hotels have Western facilities and include hair dryers and internet service. If you bring electrical appliances or gadgets that will need charging, it is recommended that you bring electrical adapters. Although the hotels have them, you don't want to take a chance that they won't have enough for everyone. Unless otherwise notified, all rooms will be booked as non-smoking.

Changing Hotels

The night before we leave each hotel you may be asked to leave your luggage outside the door and a porter will pick them up and make sure they are loaded and ready to leave before the passengers arrive. Other days you may need to carry them to the bus.

Water

It is not recommended that you drink any tap water unless you boil it. Bottled water is available at the hotel or can be purchased on the bus or from local vendors.

Daily Schedule

We will wake up at 6:00 am, eat breakfast at 7:00 am and leave the hotel at 8:00 am for the day's tours and return after 8:00 pm. If you wish to leave the group (or not join the group for the day), let your bus tour guide know.

Bus travel

You will be assigned the same bus for the entire trip. Each bus with 50 seats will usually take 20-30 passengers. Your seat on the bus will be "yours" for the day. You can leave personal items on the bus for the day but take valuables with you.

Optional Tours

Optional tours will be available for an additional charge. The tour guides will describe them to you and if interested, you will pay the guides in cash (USD/CAD).

Dress

Informal. Dress comfortably and in layers. There is no time to change clothes during the day. Bring a coat, dress in layers, jeans are OK for all venues.

Shopping

We will be visiting some factory stores, but don't feel obligated to buy. If you purchase from a street vendor be prepared to barter; do not pay the initial asking price. Many stores are able to ship purchases home for you.

Travel Documentation

All foreign nationals traveling to Mainland China must travel with a valid passport and a visa obtained prior to entering the country. Any passengers participating in the trip have to take care of the passport and visa on their own.

Money/Currency

Most stores will accept Visa, MasterCard and American Express. Discover Card is not generally accepted. You can exchange USD/CAD and traveler's checks at the hotel, banks, and airport, although US dollars are welcome almost everywhere. If you take cash, take small denominations. Street vendors do not like to give change. ATMs are available at hotel lobby. Tip: Contact your credit card company to notify them you will be using your charge card in China. For cash, you need smaller denomination to deal with street vendors.

Single Travelers

If you are traveling alone and do not wish to pay the additional private single room fee (single room supplement), the trip planner will match up same gender single traveler.

Cell Phones

Your cell phone works in China, only after you buy the international service from your provider.

Additional Travel

If you want to leave the group during the tour, please notify your bus tour guide. If you want to do additional traveling after the tour, check with your own travel agent. It is possible, but you will be responsible for all additional costs and arrangements.

Health & Medical Issues

Our trips are exciting and active vacations. While there is time to relax, there will also be much to see and do, and your excursions may require an extensive amount of walking. Please check with your personal physician to verify your particular needs. You are strongly recommended to purchase a travel insurance to protect you for the unexpected. We are not responsible for any costs incurred as a result of medical services or for the quality of medical care received. For information on health issues while traveling overseas, please contact the Center of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) by visiting www.cdc.gov/travel

Travel Insurance

We strongly recommend that you purchase travel insurance to protect yourself and your investment in case you have to cancel or interrupt your vacation. We are not responsible for any costs incurred as a result of medical services or for the quality of medical care received should you require it. *Travel insurance can be purchased through Naqi Ahsan of Travel Professionals International (contact details below).*

Suggested Websites:

Weather: www.weather.com

What you can and cannot bring on the airplane (US Transportation Security Administration):

www.tsa.gov/travelers

International Travel (US State Department): www.travel.state.gov

Questions about bringing items back from your trip (US Customs & Border Protection): www.cbp.gov

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