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THE WENDY WU TOURS EXPERIENCE

The philosophy of Wendy Wu Tours is to offer high quality escorted itineraries that represent excellent value for money. Our group tours are fully inclusive ensuring that there are no unexpected costs when travelling with us and our guides are second to none ensuring that your travel experience leaves you with memories you will never forget.

As a specialist tour company with many years experience in China and across Asia, we have carefully selected a number of fascinating itineraries to cater for individual tastes.

Our group tours visit the spectacular and famous tourist attractions as well as the lesser-known charms of some hidden gems providing a diverse mix of history, culture and beautiful scenery. Your China experience can be personalised further with a choice of tour extensions and private touring options.

Wendy Wu Tours strives to provide you with an unforgettable holiday experience that will leave you eager to travel with us again. We take pride in our high level of passenger satisfaction and the large number of customers who book with us through personal recommendation.

We are a friendly and professional team dedicated to ensuring you enjoy your Wendy Wu Tours Experience to the full. We are members of ABTA and AITO and hold an ATOL and IATA licence so you can be confident knowing that your booking is financially safe and secure.

Tour prices are fully inclusive
Which means the prices includes international flights, departure taxes, current fuel surcharges, domestic transportation, accommodation, all meals, daily tour, entrance fees, guides and visas for UK passport holders

Experience



From £1,490 – 10 Days Fully Inclusive from the UK
This classic itinerary visits the three most famous cities of China: Shanghai, Xian and Beijing. Included are the must-see sights of the Terracotta Warriors, the Forbidden City and the Great Wall. For contrast we also visit the historic canal town of Wuzhen.

Days 1-2: UK – Shanghai Fly overnight to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'.

Day 3: Wuzhen day tour - Travel to the ancient canal town of Wuzhen and enjoy a leisurely stroll to absorb the atmosphere of this centuries-old Chinese town. Home to an intricate system of canals, old wooden waterside houses, arch stone bridges, narrow cobblestone streets and an abundance of local handicrafts, Wuzhen is renowned for its old-world charm and picturesque setting. We visit the Taoist Temple, which was the former residence of Mao Dun, a master of contemporary Chinese literature and browse through little stores. Later, return to Shanghai and enjoy a dinner of traditional Shanghai cuisine.

Day 4: Shanghai - Sightseeing today includes a stroll through the beautiful Yu Gardens and the Old Town as well as a visit to see the superb antiquities and fine arts of the Shanghai Museum which houses over 120,000 pieces of bronze, ceramics, paintings and calligraphy. We also walk along the famous Bund with its colonial architecture and explore the restored Xintiandi area with its unique 1920's style shikumen buildings. Later we indulge in some shopping along Nanjing Road. In the evening, enjoy a cruise on the panoramic Huangpu River, where the historic Bund and the futuristic Pudong come face-to-face.

Day 5: Shanghai – Xian - Enjoy the morning at leisure before flying to the former ancient capital of Xian. In the evening, enjoy a traditional Shui Jiao dumpling meal followed by a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

Day 6: Xian - Visit one of the most important archaeological discoveries of the 20th century – the Terracotta Warriors, created over 2,000 years ago to accompany Emperor Qin Shihuang into the afterlife. We also walk along the Ancient City Wall.

Day 7: Xian – Beijing Visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda and the renowned Shaanxi Museum which is home to thousands of priceless relics. We also walk through the lively Muslim Quarter to visit the Great Mosque and explore the Islamic food markets. Later, fly to Beijing, China's capital city and visit the unique Temple of Heaven. Our evening meal includes the local delicacy, Peking Duck.

Day 8: Beijing - Sightseeing today includes a stroll through Tiananmen Square, past Chairman Mao's Mausoleum to the treasure-filled Forbidden City, which is the largest and best preserved collection of ancient buildings in China from the Ming and Qing Dynasties and houses over 8,000 rooms. Enjoy a fascinating Chinese Acrobatic show in the evening.

Day 9: Beijing - Walk on the Great Wall to appreciate 2,000 years of historical significance and admire the panoramic views. The Great Wall is China's most iconic attraction, which stretches over 3,000 miles from the Shanhaiguan Pass on the east coast to the Gobi Desert in the west. Also tour the exquisite Summer Palace.

Day 10: Beijing – UK Fly to the UK, arriving home later the same day or the following morning depending on airline chosen.

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22 Jan - 31 Jan	£1,490
12 Feb - 21 Feb	£1,590
05 Mar - 14 Mar	£1,690
19 Mar - 28 Mar	£1,790
02 Apr - 11 Apr	£1,890
16 Apr - 25 Apr	£2,090
30 Apr - 09 May	£1,890
14 May - 23 May	£1,890
28 May - 06 Jun	£1,890
11 Jun - 20 Jun	£1,890
16 Jul - 25 Jul	£2,090
20 Aug - 29 Aug	£2,090
27 Aug - 05 Sep	£1,990
10 Sep - 19 Sep	£1,990
24 Sep - 03 Oct	£1,890
01 Oct - 10 Oct	£1,890
15 Oct - 24 Oct	£1,790
29 Oct - 07 Nov	£1,790
12 Nov - 21 Nov	£1,590
2012 Departures	Price
28 Jan - 06 Feb	£1,590
18 Feb - 27 Feb	£1,690
03 Mar - 12 Mar	£1,790
17 Mar - 26 Mar	£1,890
31 Mar - 09 Apr	£1,990
14 Apr - 23 Apr	£2,190

Tour departs Saturday and returns Monday

Prices are fully inclusive from the UK (see page 9)
 based on London Heathrow departures
 Regional departures available at no additional charge (subject to availability)



Regional flight departures are available – please call for details

Tour extensions also available Hong Kong from £360pp
 Tokyo from £640pp
 Dubai £290pp



From £2,690 – 21 Days Fully Inclusive from the UK Take an in-depth look at the best of China on one of our most popular tours. All the famous sights are covered along with some special treats. Gaze in awe at the Grand Buddha in Leshan, visit the traditional gardens of Suzhou and admire the magnificent Giant Pandas in Cheng

Days 1-2: UK – Beijing -Fly overnight to Beijing and transfer to the hotel before our welcome dinner of local cuisine.

Day 3: Beijing - Sightseeing today includes a stroll through Tiananmen Square, past Chairman Mao's Mausoleum to the treasure-filled Forbidden City, which has the largest and best preserved collection of ancient buildings in China. We also take a rickshaw ride through the traditional Hutong areas. Our evening meal includes the local delicacy, Peking Duck.

Days 4-5: Beijing - Walk on the Great Wall to reflect on 2,000 years of history and then visit the unique Temple of Heaven. The next day, indulge in some shopping at the bustling markets and tour the exquisite Summer Palace. Enjoy a fascinating Chinese Acrobatic show in the evening.

Day 6: Beijing – Xian - Fly to the former ancient capital of Xian and visit the Shaanxi Museum which is home to thousands of priceless relics. In the evening we will enjoy a traditional Shui Jiao dumpling meal followed by a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

Day 7: Xian - Visit one of the most important archaeological discoveries of the 20th Century – the Terracotta Warriors, followed by a walk along the Ancient City Wall. We also stroll through the lively Muslim Quarter to visit the Great Mosque and explore the Islamic food markets.

Day 8: Xian – Yangtze River Cruise - Visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda before flying to Wuhan and transferring by coach (approx 4.5 hours) to board our Yangtze River Cruise vessel for the next four nights.

Days 9-11: Yangtze River Cruise - Enjoy a tour of the Three Gorges Dam before cruising upstream through some of the most dramatic scenery in the world. Over the next three days, we will take a side-trip to the striking Shennong Stream in a pea-pod boat or visit the Lesser Three Gorges and enjoy various shore excursions along the way.

Day 12: Chongqing – Chengdu - Disembark from our cruise vessel this morning and transfer to Chengdu, the capital of Sichuan Province. The area is renowned for its lush landscapes and cuisine. Enjoy a delicious Sichuan meal in the evening.

Day 13: Leshan day tour - Travel to Leshan to visit the remarkable Grand Buddha, the world's largest stone-carved Buddhist statue. We take a short boat trip to view the statue from the river. The carving of the Buddha into the side of Lingyun Mountain began in 713AD and was completed in 803AD.

Day 14: Chengdu – Guilin - Visit the famous Panda Reserve to see these adorable animals being reared in wooded surroundings reminiscent of their natural habitat. Later, fly to the beautiful city of

Guilin and visit Mt Diecai for spectacular views of the surrounding karst landscape.

Days 15-16: Li River Cruise – Guilin - Cruise the stunning Li River to Yangshuo and enjoy the breathtaking landscape of beautiful limestone hills, tranquil fishing scenes and picturesque villages. The next day, explore the colourful local markets before returning to Guilin to visit the colourful stalagmites and stalactites of Reed Flute Caves. We also see the cormorant fishermen.

Day 17: Guilin – Suzhou - Fly to cosmopolitan Shanghai and transfer to the charming city of Suzhou, also known as the 'Venice of the East'.

Day 18: Suzhou – Shanghai - Visit two of the finest oriental gardens: the Humble Administrator's Garden and the Garden of the Master of the Nets, a local silk mill still in operation today and enjoy a cruise on the ancient Grand Canal. Later, return to Shanghai also known as the 'Paris of the East'. Our dinner this evening will be of traditional Shanghai cuisine.

Days 19-20: Shanghai - Sightseeing today includes a stroll through the beautiful Yu Gardens and the Old Town as well as a visit to the Shanghai Museum. We also walk along the famous Bund with its colonial architecture. The next day, visit the modern Pudong area and explore the restored Xintiandi area with its unique 1920's style shikumen buildings. In the evening, enjoy a cruise on the panoramic Huangpu River.

Day 21: Shanghai – UK Fly to the UK, arriving home later the same day or the following morning depending on airline chosen.

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29 Aug - 18 Sep	08 Sep - 28 Sep*	£2,890
14 Sep - 04 Oct**	19 Sep - 09 Oct	
26 Sep - 16 Oct		
03 Oct - 23 Oct	10 Oct - 30 Oct	£2,790
17 Oct - 06 Nov	31 Oct - 20 Nov	
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13 Mar - 02 Apr		£2,690
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02 Oct - 22 Oct	09 Oct - 29 Oct	£2,890
16 Oct - 05 Nov	23 Oct - 12 Nov	
30 Oct - 19 Nov		£2,790
06 Nov - 26 Nov		£2,690

Tour departs Sunday and returns Saturday

*Tour departs Wednesday and returns Tuesday

**Tour departs Tuesday and returns Monday

***Tour departs Friday and returns Thursday

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Tour extensions also available Hong Kong from £320pp
Tokyo from £640pp
Dubai £290pp



CHINA

Highlights



From £1,990 – 27 Days Fully Inclusive from the UK. Our best value tour to China explores the famous sights of this fascinating land as well as many of its hidden treasures. See historic cities, fabulous landscapes and the famous panda reserve in Chengdu. Also discover the ancient Buddhist sites at Leshan and Dazu as well as the beautiful cities of Suzhou and Hangzhou.

Days 1-2: UK – Shanghai - Fly overnight to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'.

Day 3: Shanghai - Sightseeing today includes a stroll through the beautiful Yu Gardens and the Old Town as well as a visit to the Shanghai Museum. We also explore the restored Xintiandi area with its unique 1920's style shikumen buildings.

Day 4: Shanghai – Suzhou - Travel to the charming city of Suzhou, also known as the 'Venice of the East'. Visit two of the finest oriental gardens: the Humble Administrator's Garden and the Garden of the Master of the Nets, a local silk mill still in operation today and enjoy a cruise on the ancient Grand Canal.

Days 5-6: Suzhou – Hangzhou - Travel to beautiful Hangzhou, one of China's former imperial capitals. Explore the local markets and experience an oriental tea-tasting. The next day, visit the Temple of Inspired Seclusion and the Six Harmonies Pagoda before a relaxing cruise on the tranquil West Lake.

Day 7: Hangzhou – Shanghai - Travel to the ancient canal town of Wuzhen en-route to Shanghai.

Days 8-9: Shanghai – Guilin - Walk along the famous Bund with its colonial architecture and shop along Nanjing Road. In the evening, enjoy a cruise on Huangpu River. The next day, visit the modern Pudong area before flying to the beautiful city of Guilin.

Days 10-11: Li River Cruise – Guilin - Cruise the stunning Li River to Yangshuo and enjoy the breathtaking landscape of beautiful limestone hills, tranquil fishing scenes and picturesque villages. The next day, explore the colourful local markets before returning to Guilin where we visit Mt Diecai. We also see the cormorant fishermen.

Days 12-13: Guilin – Kunming - Visit the colourful stalagmites and stalactites of Reed Flute Caves. Fly to Kunming, also known as the 'City of Eternal Spring' and sample the famous Across the Bridge Noodles. The next day, explore the picturesque Stone Forest.

Day 14: Kunming – Chongqing - Visit the Western Hills and Dianchi Lake before flying to Chongqing.

Days 15-16: Dazu – Chengdu - Visit Erlin Park, the People's Hall and the General Stilwell Museum. Drive to Dazu, home to some of the most fascinating rock carvings in the world – the UNESCO Beishan

Frescoes. The next day we visit the Baodin Stone Carvings, before travelling to Chengdu. Enjoy a delicious Sichuan meal in the evening.

Day 17: Leshan day tour - Travel to Leshan to visit the Grand Buddha, the world's largest stone-carved Buddhist statue. We take a short boat trip to view the statue from the river. Return to Chengdu, visiting the old town of Huanglongxi en-route.

Days 18-19: Chengdu – Xian - Visit the famous Panda Reserve to see these adorable animals. The next day, take a city tour of Chengdu before boarding the overnight train to the former ancient capital, Xian.

Days 20-21: Xian - Arrive in Xian and visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda. In the evening, enjoy a traditional Shui Jiao dumpling meal followed by a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing. The next day, visit one of the most important archaeological discoveries of the 20th century – the Terracotta Warriors and walk along the Ancient City Wall.

Day 22: Xian – Beijing - Visit the renowned Shaanxi Museum which is home to thousands of priceless relics. We also stroll through the lively Muslim Quarter to visit the Great Mosque and explore the Islamic food markets before boarding the overnight train to Beijing, China's capital city.

Days 23-24: Beijing - Arrive in Beijing and sightseeing later today includes a stroll through Tiananmen Square, past Chairman Mao's Mausoleum to the treasure-filled Forbidden City. Our evening meal includes the local delicacy, Peking Duck. The next day, walk on the Great Wall and visit the unique Temple of Heaven.

Days 25-26: Beijing - Tour the exquisite Summer Palace and enjoy a fascinating Chinese Acrobatic show. The next day, visit Lama Temple and shop at the bustling markets.

Day 27: Beijing – UK - Fly to the UK, arriving home later the same day or the following morning depending on airline chosen.

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Silk Road

EXPLORER



From £3,090 – 27 Days Fully Inclusive from the UK. Follow in the footsteps of Marco Polo to discover the history of the Silk Road, a centuries-old route strongly influenced by Muslim and Buddhist beliefs. Visit ancient forts and desert oases, walk on the far western end of the Great Wall and experience the famous Sunday Market in Kashgar.

Days 1-2: UK – Beijing - Fly overnight to Beijing, China's capital city. Our evening meal includes the local delicacy, Peking Duck.

Day 3: Beijing - Walk on the Great Wall, visit the unique Temple of Heaven and enjoy a fascinating Chinese Acrobatic show.

Day 4: Beijing – Xian - Sightseeing today includes a stroll through Tiananmen Square, past Chairman Mao's Mausoleum to the treasure-filled Forbidden City. We also tour the exquisite Summer Palace before boarding the overnight train to the former ancient capital of Xian.

Days 5-6: Xian - Arrive in Xian and visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda. In the evening, enjoy a traditional Shui Jiao dumpling meal followed by a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing. The next day, visit one of the most important archaeological discoveries of the 20th century – the Terracotta Warriors and walk along the Ancient City Wall.

Day 7: Xian – Lanzhou - Visit the renowned Shaanxi Museum which is home to thousands of priceless relics. We also stroll through the lively Muslim Quarter to visit the Great Mosque and explore the Islamic food markets before boarding the overnight train to Lanzhou.

Days 8-9: Lanzhou - Arrive in Lanzhou and stroll through the park by the Yellow River, visit the Baita (White) Temple and sample the local hand-stretched noodles. The next day, transfer by speedboat on picturesque Lioujiaxia Lake to visit the renowned Bingling Caves.

Days 10-11: Lanzhou – Xiahe - Travel through the scenic Jishi Mountain Pass to Xiahe. The next day, visit the mystical Labrang Monastery of the Gelugpa sect, which is home to over 1,200 monks and tour the rolling pastures of Sangke Grasslands where wild flowers flourish.

Days 12-13: Lanzhou – Jiayuguan - Return to Lanzhou and board the overnight train to Jiayuguan. The next day, visit Jiayu Fortress and walk along the western end of the Great Wall.

Day 14: Jiayuguan – Dunhuang - Travel to Dunhuang, which is located at the edge of the Taklamakan Desert.

Days 15-16: Dunhuang – Turpan - Visit the world famous Buddhist murals and sculptures of the Mogao Grottoes. The next day, tour Crescent Moon Spring and see the spectacular Singing Sand Dunes. Later, board the overnight train to Turpan.

Days 17-18: Turpan - Visit the ancient ruined city of Jiaohe and admire the Flaming Mountains. The next day, see the Emin Minaret, visit local homes at Grape Valley and the 2000 year old Karez Irrigation Canals.

Days 19-20: Turpan – Kurla – Kuqa - Over the next four days, we travel along the original Silk Route through the Xinjiang Region, viewing ruins and sights largely unvisited by other tourists. We travel to Kurla and visit the ruins of the Iron Fortress. The next day, tour the ruins of Subashi, arriving in Kuqa to visit the remains of the old City Wall.

Days 21-22: Kuqa – Aksu – Kashgar - Visit the Kyzil Thousand Buddha Caves before travelling to Aksu. The next day, arrive in Kashgar, an ancient market town and once the flourishing centre of the Silk Road.

Days 23-24: Kashgar - Visit Abakh Hoja Tomb, Id Kah Mosque and Id Kah Square. The next day, explore the world's largest Sunday Bazaar and visit a livestock market, where large crowds of people and animals gather to haggle and trade. Later, fly to Urumqi.

Day 25: Heavenly Lake day tour - Travel to Tian Chi (Heavenly Lake). In the evening, enjoy a traditional meal of Uyghur Lamb Skewers.

Day 26: Urumqi – Beijing - Visit the Xinjiang Autonomous Region Museum, home to 1,000 year-old mummies. Later, fly back to Beijing.

Day 27: Beijing – UK - Fly to the UK, arriving home later the same day or the following morning depending on airline chosen.



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17 Sep 2010	13 Oct 2010	£3,090
24 Sep	20 Oct	£3,090
29 Apr 2011	25 May 2011	£3,090
06 May	01 Jun	£3,090
13 May	08 Jun	£3,090
02 Sep	28 Sep	£3,190
16 Sep	12 Oct	£3,190
23 Sep	19 Oct	£3,190

Tour departs Friday and returns Wednesday



Tibetan

DREAMS



From £3,190 – 24 Days Fully Inclusive from the UK. A tough but rewarding journey for those with a spirit of adventure. Starting in picturesque Yunnan Province we ascend to Tibet, traversing forested mountains and deep gorges to arrive at the Roof of the World. Conditions are sometimes difficult but the scenery is always spectacular.

This tour spends 14 days above 3,000m with a maximum altitude of 5,050m

Days 1-2: UK – Kunming - Fly overnight via Hong Kong to Kunming also known as the 'City of Eternal Spring' and enjoy the famous Across the Bridge Noodles.

Day 3: Kunming - Enjoy a full day tour exploring the picturesque Stone Forest.

Days 4-5: Kunming – Dali Visit the Western Hills which wrap around Dianchi Lake before flying to Dali. The next day, visit the Three Pagodas, explore Dali's Ancient Quarter and enjoy a cruise on Erhai Lake.

Day 6: Dali – Lijiang - Fly to Lijiang, a UNESCO world heritage site and wander through the Old Quarter. We also visit Black Dragon Pool.

Day 7: Lijiang - Visit the impressive Jade Dragon Snow Mountain, which soars to a height of 5500m. Take a chairlift to explore one of the highest meadows and tour the Baisha Frescoes. In the evening, enjoy the acclaimed Naxi Ancient Music Show and admire the traditional costumes.

Day 8: Lijiang – Zhongdian - Visit Tiger Leaping Gorge, one of the most dramatic and deepest gorges in the world and enjoy the surrounding breathtaking scenery. Continue to Zhongdian.

Days 9-10: Zhongdian - Explore the Baishui Terrace. The next day, visit Napa Hai Lake and the Songzanlin Monastery built by a historical Dalai Lama over 300 years ago.

Day 11: Zhongdian – Deqing - Travel by coach to Deqing ascending into the Hengduan Mountains and mighty Himalaya. This region is also known as the Three Parallel Rivers UNESCO world heritage site.

Day 12: Deqing – Mangkang - Today we start our ascent to the Tibetan Plateau following the ancient Tea Horse Road. From here to Lhasa, we will travel by 4WD vehicles and accommodation will be in simple local guesthouses.

Days 13-15: Basu – Linzhi - Spend the next three days travelling through unrivalled scenery with spectacular river crossings, pristine forests and deep gorges as we ascend some of the highest roads in the world. The final day to Linzi involves steep climbs and descents with incredible mountain views of Mt Bonri and Mt Namche Barwa.

Day 16: Linzhi – Lhasa - Visit Pasum Tso Lake, then continue to Lhasa, the spiritual home of Tibet.

Day 17: Lhasa - Sightseeing today includes a stroll around the Barkhor circuit where traditional dress, market stalls selling religious trinkets and the sound of chanted prayers create the atmosphere of a medieval carnival. We also visit the 7th century Jokhang Temple, which is the most sacred in Tibet and the Sera Monastery, which has about 600 monks in residence.

Day 18: Lhasa - Explore the 'crown jewel' of Tibet – the Potala Palace. The palace is an architectural wonder that towers over the city with thousands of rooms filled with treasures such as intricate shrines and beautiful frescoes. We also visit Norbulingka, the former summer palace of the Dalai Lama, containing several palaces and chapels and a local Tibetan Primary School (if time permits). Enjoy a traditional Tibetan dinner and dance performance in the evening.

Days 19-20: Lhasa – Shigatse – Gyantse - Travel to Shigatse, the second largest city in Tibet and visit the Tashilhunpo Monastery, the traditional residence of the Panchen Lama. The next day, travel to the smaller town of Gyantse and visit the unique Pelkor Monastery, the famous Gyantse Kumbum, which is the largest shrine in Tibet. We also visit the magnificent ruins of the Old Fort.

Days 21-22: Gyantse – Lhasa – Chengdu - Return to Lhasa. The next day, fly to Chengdu, the capital of Sichuan Province. Visit the famous Panda Reserve to see these adorable animals and enjoy a delicious Sichuan meal in the evening.

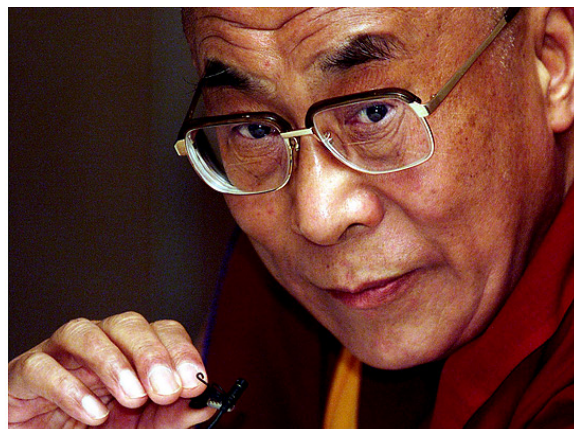
Days 23-24: Chengdu – UK Fly overnight to the UK via Hong Kong, arriving home the following day.

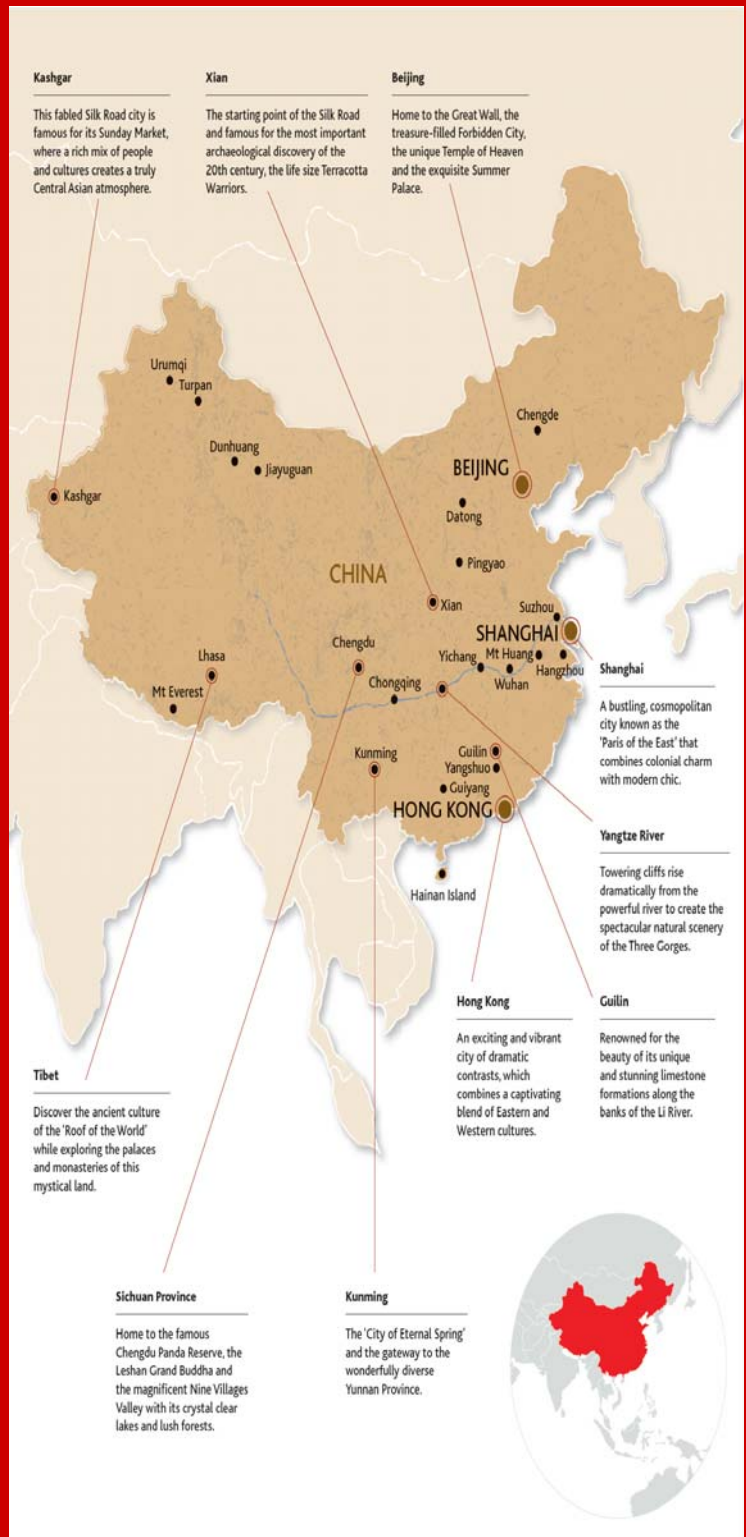


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08 Oct	31 Oct	£3,290

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BOOKING CONDITIONS AND BOOKING FORMS

All prices quoted include return economy flights quoted from London Heathrow – however regional flights can be quoted – please call for details.

Land only options for selected tours are available – please call for details. Tipping locally isn't included in any of the pricing and can range from \$75-\$100 per person.

Prices are quoted on two adults sharing however single supplements are available – we would be happy to give you a costing for a tour of your choice.

All prices are subject to change and prices are not guaranteed until the reservation is confirmed