



THE WONDERS OF CHINA

APRIL 6-14, 2017

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9 DAYS, 7 NIGHTS INCLUDING HOTELS, MEALS, DAY
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Awe and amazement abound in the world's third largest country as you live the wonders of China. Here, 5,000 years of history and modern day life intermingle to offer you a once-in-a-lifetime adventure in the Orient you are sure to cherish always. 8,000 life-sized Terra Cotta Warriors, The Great Wall of China, larger than life Dynasties, sacred temples, giant pandas and more are yours to discover in a country that offers splendid surprises at every turn.

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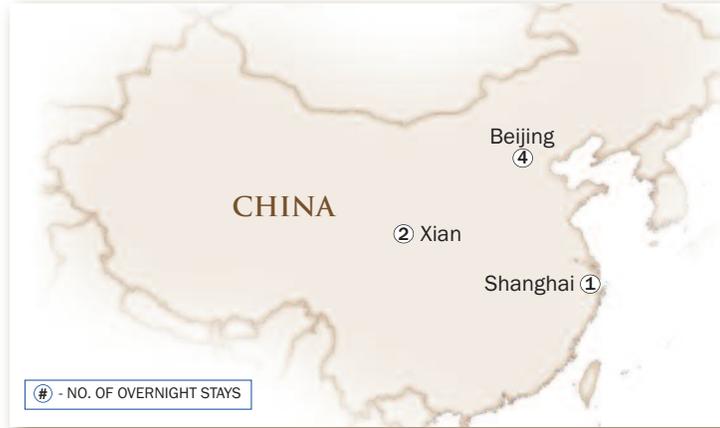
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(4) BEIJING – (2) XIAN – (1) SHANGHAI



TOUR FEATURES

- **ROUND TRIP AIR TRANSPORTATION** - Air transportation from New York JFK plus domestic flights within China
- **4/5 STAR ACCOMMODATIONS** - Hotel accommodations for 7 nights
- **SUPERB CUISINE** - 13 included meals consisting of 7 buffet breakfasts, 4 lunches and 2 dinners
- **SIGHTSEEING TOUR PROGRAM** - Sightseeing as per the day to day plan, including local guide and all entrance fees: seeing Beijing, Tiananmen Square, the Forbidden City and Temple of Heaven, the Great Wall, Xian and the Terracotta Warriors, Shanghai and the Bund, Tang Style Dancing Show. Optional tours available
- **CULTURAL DISCOVERY SERIES** - Tang Style Dancing Show, visits to Shanghai Silk factory, Beijing Jade factory and Xian Art Ceramic & Terra Cotta factory with shopping opportunities
- **PROFESSIONAL TOUR DIRECTOR** - Assistance of a professional Tour Director for the entire length of the tour upon arrival in Beijing
- **DELUXE MOTORCOACHES** - Touring by private deluxe air-conditioned motorcoach
- **BAGGAGE HANDLING AND TRANSFERS** - Baggage handling for one piece of checked luggage outside of the airport

OPTIONAL SHANGHAI EXTENSION TOUR FEATURES

- **4/5 STAR ACCOMMODATIONS** - Hotel accommodations for 2 nights
- **SUPERB CUISINE** - 2 included meals consisting of 2 buffet breakfasts
- **SIGHTSEEING TOUR PROGRAM** - Sightseeing as per the day to day plan, including local guide and all entrance fees: seeing Suzhou
- **PROFESSIONAL TOUR DIRECTOR** - Assistance of a professional Tour Director for the entire length of the tour
- **BAGGAGE HANDLING AND TRANSFERS** - Baggage handling for one piece of checked luggage outside of the airport

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

Cross the International Date Line • Experience the wonders of China • Learn about the Ming and Qing Dynasties • See Beijing, Tiananmen Square, the Forbidden City, Temple of Heaven, the Great Wall, the Terracotta Warriors, Shanghai • Visit factories & learn about Chinese industry



Day 1 Depart USA Depart on your overnight flight from the USA to China.

Day 2 Arrive Beijing Upon arrival at Beijing Airport you will be met by your Central Holidays tour director and be transferred to your hotel. Welcome to China's capital city, a lively mix of neighborhoods and districts and home of ancient treasures such as the Forbidden City and the Summer Palace. The Peoples' Republic of China beckons with a storied history dating back more than 5,000 years revealed in its imperial antiquities and rich culture for you to experience.

Day 3 Beijing - City Tour After breakfast at your hotel, a full-day tour to explore Beijing awaits. From Tiananmen Square or "Gate of heavenly peace," and the Forbidden City, the imperial palace during the Ming and Qing Dynasties; to the Temple of Heaven, where Dynasties held sacred rituals; and on to the Olympic Village, built for the 2008 Summer Olympics – you will have the opportunity to delve into the past and present of this fascinating city. In the evening, savor an authentic Peking Duck Dinner for a delicious end to your day. (B,L,D)

Day 4 Beijing - Great Wall Wall Start the morning with breakfast at your hotel and then embark on a sightseeing adventure to one of the world's ancient wonders, The Great Wall of China. Extending about 5,500 miles today, the first sections of the wall were built by the Qin Dynasty starting in about 220 BC to keep nomads and invaders out of China. Over the next thousand years sections were added, yet the more modern sections measuring up to 25 feet were constructed starting in 1388 by the Ming Dynasty and feature 71 passageways, 827 platforms and countless towers. Cultural Discovery Series - finish your day of adventures with a visit to a Jade factory. (B,L)

Day 5 Beijing The day begins with breakfast at your hotel then the choices are yours for the taking! Today you have the full day at leisure to explore Beijing or to enjoy an optional tour to the Summer Palace, the Hutong rickshaw car tour and a visit to a typical Chinese home. Explore the city's amazing history and culture on this tour to the historic Summer Palace, said to be the best preserved imperial garden in the world, and the largest of its kind still in existence in China. First constructed in 1750, largely destroyed in the war of 1860 and restored in 1886 – is a masterpiece of Chinese landscape garden design. The natural

landscape of hills and open water is combined with features such as pavilions, halls, palaces, temples and bridges to form a pleasant collective of outstanding visual value. Afterwards you visit the Pearl Market, and then enjoy a rickshaw ride through the hutongs, the old traditional alleyways and courtyard homes which once covered all Beijing. The rickshaws are a traditional means of transportation in the old narrow streets. Here you visit a traditional family courtyard home where the family will greet you, serve tea and show you through their home. (B)

Day 6 Beijing/Xian - Tang Style Dancing Show Rise and shine with breakfast at your hotel. This morning you will embark on a flight to Xian. Welcome to Xian the capital of China's central Shaanxi province and a must for history buffs. Once the gateway to the Silk Road and a meeting point for scholars, poets and monks, and today is home to timeworn artifacts from another world. In the afternoon you have the opportunity to partake in an optional tour of the Big Wild Goose Pagoda, the city wall and the Banpo Museum. At the Banpo Village Museum, your stop will take you 6,000 years in the past. We will tour the village and learn about the matriarchal community of the Yangshao culture through the various relics and exhibitions offered. Cultural Discovery Series - an exciting evening of entertainment and fun follow with an included Tang Style Dancing Show. (B,D)

Day 7 Xian - Terra-Cotta Warriors Power-up with breakfast at your hotel and then board your first-class motorcoach for an excursion to see the acclaimed Terra-Cotta Warriors at the Tomb of the First Emperor of Qin Dynasty. In 1974 discovery of thousands of life-sized Terracotta Warriors was one of the greatest archeological finds of the 20th century. These figures date back to 210 BC and were meant to guard the first emperor of China in the afterlife. See the huge statue of the emperor that now guards the entrance to the Terracotta Warriors and Horses Museum, undeniable high point of any trip to Xian and the three enormous pits are filled with row upon row of these remarkable effigies, with the first pit alone holding some 6,000 examples in excellent condition. Cultural Discovery Series - on route, visit to the Xian Art Ceramic & Terra Cotta Factory gives you time to shop for artistic mementos to share your time in China. (B,L)

Day 8 Xian/Shanghai - City Tour After breakfast, fly to Shanghai and transfer to your hotel. In 1841, the city was a small fishing village, but today it has transformed into the most westernized city in China and is at the forefront of China's modernization. The city is changing fast and nearly a quarter of the world's construction cranes are working in this city. This afternoon a panoramic city tour welcomes you to the vibrant sights and sounds of Shanghai. Often referred to as the "Pearl of China" or the "Paris of the Orient," your tour takes you to explore the essence of Shanghai visiting sites



including the Bund located on the city's waterfront. The Bund is Shanghai's most famous attraction that ties together the city's old world and new, showcasing pre-1949 architecture in a row of buildings that served as its financial and commercial center in the 1930's. Cultural Discovery Series - en route visit the Shanghai Silk Factory. (B,L)

Day 9 Shanghai to USA or extend your stay with an optional Shanghai extension Enjoy breakfast at your hotel before your transfer to the airport for your flight home or opt to stay an extra few days to explore even more of China's allure. (B)

OPTIONAL SHANGHAI EXTENSION

Day 9 Shanghai - Suzhou Today you will head out on a full-day tour to Suzhou, nicknamed "Venice of the East." Famous around the world for its methodically landscaped classical gardens and interweaving waterways. We visit the Master of the Nets Garden, Humble Administrator's Garden, and take a canal cruise with lunch included to round-out your experience. Afterwards return to your hotel in Shanghai. (B,L)

Day 10 Shanghai Have a hearty breakfast and get ready to live the magic of Shanghai with a full day at leisure explore the city at your own pace or join in an optional excursion to the Shanghai Museum or to the Jade Buddha Temple & Yu Garden. (B)

Day 11 Shanghai to USA After breakfast today your transfer awaits to take you to the airport for your flight home. (B)



TOUR PRICE

Tour price is **\$2,499** per person, double occupancy.

For single occupancy, add \$399.

Fuel surcharges of \$550 per person are included in the price. Taxes and other fees are currently \$150 per person and are additional. Fuel surcharges and taxes are valid at the time of printing but are subject to change.

The price of \$2,499 is an early bird special if the program is reserved with a deposit by November 2, 2016. The price increases by \$100 per person (\$2,599) after this date

Please note: Though rare, it may be necessary to adjust itineraries at guide's discretion due to local conditions. The Chinese visa is not included in the price and is an additional \$175 per person.

Optional Shanghai Extension:

Shanghai Extension: \$399 Double Occupancy or \$548 Single

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Group
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PLEASE PRINT— NAMES MUST BE LISTED AS THEY APPEAR ON YOUR PASSPORT

To register for this trip, please complete the form below and e-mail it with a clear copy of your passport information page to Meegja Wojcik at hcc@hamdenchamber.com. Reservations can also be made on our online booking engine www.centralholidayswest.com/booking. The group booking code is: B002127

Passenger 1: _____ Date of Birth: _____ M / F
 First Name Middle Name Last Name

Passport#: _____ Country of Issue: _____ Date issued: _____ Expiration date: _____

Passenger 2: _____ Date of Birth: _____ M / F
 First Name Middle Name Last Name

Passport#: _____ Country of Issue: _____ Date issued: _____ Expiration date: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____ Home Ph#: _____ Business/Cell Ph#: _____

Yes Please reserve me in a single room (limited availability)

Notes: _____

OPTIONALS:

SUMMER PALACE, RICKSHAW CAR RIDE & HOME VISIT: \$99 PER PERSON YES; NO HOW MANY: _____

BIG WILD GOOSE PAGODA, THE CITY WALL & BANPO VILLAGE MUSEUM: \$79 PER PERSON YES; NO HOW MANY: _____

SHANGHAI EXTENSION: DOUBLE OCCUPANCY \$399 PER PERSON/SINGLE OCCUPANCY \$548 YES; NO HOW MANY: _____

A minimum of 10 passengers are required for the optional tours and 20 passengers are required to operate the Shanghai extension. The Shanghai extension must be reserved and paid for at the time of registration.

TRAVEL PROTECTION (HIGHLY RECOMMENDED):

I want Trip Cancellation & Interruption Insurance: Yes No

The policy price is based on the total cost of the tour, including taxes and any optional tours. Insurance premium for trips \$2,501 to \$3,000 per person is: \$237, for trips \$3,001 to \$3,500 per person is: 317, for trips \$3,501 to \$4,000 per person is: \$317.

Central Holidays strongly recommends protecting your investment with our optional travel insurance. The premium must be paid with your initial deposit or within 15 days of your initial deposit/payment for your trip to qualify for the preexisting conditions policy. The policy (without preexisting conditions) can be purchased all the way to final payment but not afterwards.

For a disclosure of coverage, terms and conditions of our travel protection plan please visit: <http://www.centralholidays.com/files/Travel-Protection.pdf>

PAYMENT METHOD & REQUIREMENTS:

Deposit: \$500 per person at the time of registration, plus any optional extension/tours or optional travel insurance. I am including payment for _____ people.

Reservations are on a first come first served basis. Please sign up early to secure your place.

Final payment is due: December 1, 2016. No reservations/payments can be made after this date.

Checks: Make checks payable to Central Holidays West and send to: Hamden Regional Chamber of Commerce - 2969 Whitney Avenue, Hamden, CT 06518

Credit Card: Discover Visa MasterCard Amex

Credit Card# _____ Security code#: _____ Exp. date: _____

Name that appears on the card: _____ Signature: _____

I authorize \$ _____ to be charged to my card (including optional tour/extension and insurance premium if applicable).

CANCELLATION POLICY:

Cancellations with more than 90 days prior to departure 25% of total cost per person (or a minimum of \$500 per person) is retained

Cancellations between 89 and 31 days prior to departure: 50% of total cost per person is retained

Cancellations between 30 or less prior to departure including no shows: 100% of the package price is retained

Note: A person becoming a single as a result in the roommate's cancellation must pay the single supplement.

I have read the schedule of activities for the Hamden Regional Chamber of Commerce – China program – April 6-14, 2017 and accept the terms and conditions outlined on our website www.centralholidayswest.com/terms

Signature: _____ Date: _____