



Itinerary

Discover China

Oct 13, 2019 - Oct 25, 2019

Pre Night: Beijing JW Marriott



Would you like to begin your vacation with an additional Hotel in Beijing?

Day 1: Overnight Flight



Set out for China, a country that blends ancient traditions with modern life, while always looking forward to the future. China's growth and development have exploded at an exponential rate, and there has never been a more interesting time to visit this energetic nation.

Day 2: Beijing, China - Tour Begins



Your journey begins in Beijing, one of the most fascinating cities in the world and China's massive metropolitan capital. Over the next several days you'll experience the beauty and intrigue of this ancient place that remains both the political and cultural heart of the country.

Hotel

Beijing Jw Marriott
Beijing

Weather

High 66°
Low 47°

Day 3: Beijing



Head north to the Great Wall of China, the nation's most iconic and world-renowned sight, and visit the famous Mutianyu section of the Wall. Start with a brief talk from your guide on the history of this world wonder before ascending up the steps to the top of this magnificent structure. Then, visit a jade factory where you can admire intricate pieces of precious stone before returning to Beijing. Head over to the serene Summer Palace, once the summer home of the Emperors, to explore the grounds. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner at Quanjudu, one of the city's oldest and most legendary Peking Duck restaurants.

Hotel

Beijing Jw Marriott
Beijing

Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

Weather

High 66°
Low 47°

Day 4: Beijing



Today, walk through the iconic Tiananmen Square and into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City, the former Royal Seat of the Ming and Qing Emperors. You will be granted special access to the Forbidden City's Treasure Hall, housing some of the Emperors' most precious relics. Continue to the Temple of Heaven Park, and see its namesake, the Temple of Heaven. This evening, enjoy a spectacular acrobatics show from the comfort and luxury of VIP seats. These performers have been training since childhood, and their incredible skills will be on full display.

Hotel

Beijing Jw Marriott
Beijing

Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

Weather

High 66°
Low 47°

Day 5: Beijing



Start the day at the Lama Temple, one of the most famous Tibetan Buddhist temples in the world. Afterwards, we take a rickshaw ride through the warren-like hutongs before visiting with a local family. They'll happily share stories of their life in Beijing, and invite you to join them for a special meal. In the afternoon, visit a Chinese calligraphy master who will teach you the secrets of this traditional art form. Then, enjoy a free evening in Houhai, a vibrant neighborhood filled with interesting restaurants.

Hotel

Beijing Jw Marriott
Beijing

Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

Weather

High 66°
Low 47°

Day 6: Beijing - Xian



Take a tour of Beijing's renowned 798 Art District. These decommissioned military factory buildings are works of art in and of themselves, and now house incredible art exhibits. Continue on to the airport for your flight* to Xian. Head to the hotel before enjoying a local banquet of Shui Jiao dumplings followed by a captivating Tang Dynasty dance performance.

Hotel

Renaissance Xian Hotel
Xian

Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

Weather

High 66°
Low 51°
Rain 2"

Day 7: Xian



Come face-to-face with rows upon rows of the enigmatic Terracotta Warriors, built to protect Emperor Qin Shi Huang in the afterlife. Then, see craftsmen building life-sized models of the warriors at the Xian Arts and Ceramic Exhibition Center. Return to the city center and stroll the beautifully preserved 14th-century city walls that enclose Xian's old town. You will have plenty of time to explore at your own pace before heading to the exotic Muslim Quarters, full of colorful wares and delicious street food.

Hotel

Renaissance Xian Hotel
Xian

Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

Weather

High 66°
Low 51°
Rain 2"

Day 8: Xian - Chengdu



This morning, visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda, built in the year 707 to symbolize constant peace. Afterwards, board the bullet train that will whisk you away to Chengdu. This evening, be welcomed to Sichuan province with a traditional Sichuan hot pot dinner and a mesmerizing face-changing show.

Hotel

Jw Marriott Hotel Chengdu
Chengdu

Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

Weather

High 69°
Low 59°

Day 9: Chengdu



Come face-to-face with China's most iconic animal at the Giant Panda Breeding Research Base. Learn how China's national treasure is being brought back from the edge of extinction, and see the rare sight of a Giant Panda in its natural environment. The sanctuary is also home to the equally rare and equally adorable Red Panda. Continue to the Shu Brocade and Embroidery Museum, and learn how these richly decorative fabrics are created. Afterwards, get your taste buds ready as we visit the Sichuan Cooking Museum to experience the region's rich culinary traditions. Enjoy a special cooking class, and feast on your culinary creations. Return to your hotel for an evening at leisure.

Hotel

Jw Marriott Hotel Chengdu
Chengdu

Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

Weather

High 69°
Low 59°

Day 10: Chengdu



Travel south to Leshan, and see the Leshan Giant Buddha, the world's largest stone-carved Buddhist monument. Take a short boat ride in front of the statue to put into perspective its incredible size, then stroll up to the top of the structure and to the Buddha Park. In the afternoon, explore the streets of Huanglongxi Ancient Town.

Hotel

Jw Marriott Hotel Chengdu
Chengdu

Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

Weather

High 69°
Low 59°

Day 11: Chengdu - Shanghai



Board a flight* to Shanghai, the economic epicenter of the People's Republic of China. This bustling city's futuristic skyline will leave you speechless. Experience the modern side of China as you board the super-fast Maglev train into central Shanghai. The remainder of the day is yours to explore independently.

Hotel

Shanghai Jw Marriott Tomorrow Square
Shanghai

Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

Weather

High 72°
Low 59°
Rain 2"

Day 12: Shanghai



Take a walking breakfast tour this morning and wander through the French Concession area, a district in Shanghai established in the 19th century. Continue to the peaceful Yuyuan Garden, one of the best examples of Chinese garden style and home to exquisite jade rock, goldfish-filled ponds and stunning tranquil pavilions. Afterwards visit the heart of Shanghai at the Bund, the waterfront district along the Huangpu River, and then learn about China's most exported material at the Silk Museum. Enjoy a special cruise on the Huangpu River to take in the view of Shanghai's glittering nighttime skyline. Finally, say fond farewells to China and your fellow travelers during a traditional Shanghainese dinner.

Hotel

Shanghai Jw Marriott Tomorrow Square
Shanghai

Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

Weather

High 72°
Low 59°
Rain 2"

Day 13: Shanghai - Tour Ends



Your tour comes to a close in Shanghai. Board your plane for your flight home, taking with you memories of your incredible Chinese adventure.

Post Night: Shanghai JW Marriott Tomorrow Square



Would you like to end your vacation with an additional Hotel in Shanghai?