

Classic China & Yangtze River 15 Days

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All inclusive package

\$3,560

Tax included



Yangtze River



Tour Highlights

- Walk on the incredible Great Wall
- Unfold the mystery of the Forbidden City
- Sit by the tranquil West Lake in Hangzhou
- Stroll in one of the finest Chinese gardens in Suzhou
- Immerse yourself in the bustling metropolis Shanghai

DAY 1 - 13 Oct - Sudbury ✈ Shanghai

Start your tour by taking a flight to Shanghai. Cross the International Date Line and jump ahead one day.

DAY 2 - 14 Oct - Arrive Shanghai (D)

Arrive in Shanghai, the modern metropolis and commercial center of China. Upon arrival, you will be transfer to hotel for a good night's rest.

DAY 3 - 15 Oct - Shanghai 🚗 Tongli 🚗 Suzhou (B, L, D)

After breakfast, take motor coach to **Tongli** Town, a quiet water town with 1300 years history. Tongli is one of the few water towns that still remain its quiet and nature characters of typical Chinese water towns. Take a leisurely stroll through the alleyway and crossing over footbridges toward the city center for a splendid view of this ancient water town. Proceed to Suzhou. Suzhou has been praised as "Venice of the East". Take a relaxing stroll through one of Suzhou beautiful gardens, like the Garden of **Master of Nets**, one of the largest classical gardens in Suzhou as well as one of the most famous gardens in China.

DAY 4 - 16 Oct - Suzhou 🚗 Wuxi (B, L, D)

Enjoy a boat cruise along the **Grand Canal**, which is over 1,500 years old and connects Beijing to the rich coastal areas around Shanghai. Later visit a **silk factory** and enjoy a silk fashion show before heading to Wuxi. Wuxi is famous for its landscapes which are truly something to marvel at. Your tour starts with a visit to the **Lingshan Grand Buddha** and the Freshwater Pearls Exhibition Centre before you taste delicious local cuisines, including Wuxi Pork Ribs with special sauces.

DAY 5 - 17 Oct - Wuxi 🚗 Shanghai (B, L, D)

Take the coach to Shanghai. Start your memorable tour of Shanghai by walking along the famous **Bund**, stretching one mile along the Huangpu River. Lined with colonial architecture of European design, this area is the best place to capture the western influences of the old days. Continue to the **Ming**



Lake Tai, Wuxi



Bund, Shanghai

Departures

Depart Sudbury	Arrive Canada	Package Price	Land Only
Oct 13	Oct 27	\$3560	\$2250

Price Includes

1. 5 stars hotel Accommodation
2. Air Canada round trip International Flight from Sudbury in economy class
3. China domestic flights in economy class
4. Airport taxes and fuel surcharges
5. Daily breakfast, lunch and dinner as indicated
6. Guided Sightseeing tours as indicated on the itinerary
7. All entrance fees as program
8. Chinese Visa fee
9. Local transportation with A/C bus as indicated
10. Professional English – speaking tour guide
11. Travel Accidental Insurance in China
12. National tour escort service

Price Does Not Include

1. Gratuity for tour guide, driver (Tips suggestion: US \$10.00/DAY/PERSON)
 2. Tips for Yangtze River cruise US\$40 per person
 3. Any personal expenditure, such as phone bills, laundry, postage...etc
 4. Medical and Trip Cancellation/Interruption Travel Insurance
 5. Any other charges caused by the acts of God, natural disasters, fires, weather, governmental and local authority's orders, political change, strikes, war, riots, quarantine, custom regulations, damages or injury caused by the accident beyond the responsibilities of travel agents and incurred due to the tourist action violating the law
 6. Optional tours and any items not listed in the itinerary
- Prices are per person based on twin share accommodation
- Single supplement: \$899 per person



Hutong, Beijing

Dynasty Yuyuan Garden which is considered to be one of four greatest Chinese gardens. Visit **Shanghai Museum** in the afternoon and then make a stop at a jewelry store.

DAY 6 - 18 Oct - Shanghai ✕ Yichang 🚢 Yangtze River Cruise (B, L, D)
After breakfast, you will be transferred to airport, and fly to Yichang. Upon arrival you are transferred to the docks and board the luxury **President No.7** cruise ship. You will have introduction on all trip events and activities onboard.

DAY 7 - 19 Oct - Yangtze River Cruise (B, L, D)
Your highly anticipated grand Yangtze River adventure starts this morning. The cruise ship's first stop is at Taipingxi (or Sandouping). Disembark to visit the massive **Three Gorges Dam Project**, which is the world's largest dam, measuring 606 feet high and 6,500 feet long. In 1997, the cofferdam was completed and the main structure begun. The dam has two five-stage locks to raise and lower ships to the different river levels. Each lock in the five stages is 65 feet high and 910 feet long. Reboard later as the ship sails through **Xiling Gorge**, the longest of the Three Gorges at 41 miles long.

DAY 8 - 20 Oct - Yangtze River Cruise (B, L, D)
In the morning, disembark at Wushan where you'll board small riverboat for a leisurely ride through **Shennong Stream**, which offers clear running waters, picturesque rock formations, and even monkeys and goat along its banks. Reboard the cruise ship as it sails through the **Wu Gorge**, which is famous for its quiet beauty and then passes through the **Qutang Gorge**, the shortest and most dramatic of the Three Gorges.

DAY 9 - 21 Oct - Yangtze River Cruise (B, L, D)
Today's shore excursion will visit **Fengdu**. Fengdu, also called "Ghost City", is a peculiar site that is accessed via cable car. It contains numerous statues of devils and ghosts that roam the afterworld.

DAY 10 - 22 Oct - Yangtze River Cruise 🚢 Chongqing ✕ Xi'an (B, L, D)
Your grand Yangtze River Cruise portion of your tour ends upon arrival at Chongqing this morning. Chongqing, the birthplace of ancient Ba and Yu culture with the history of 3,000 years. Transfer to the airport and fly to Xi'an. Today's highlight is **Terra Cotta Warriors and Horses Museum**, sightseeing the attached life-sized defending army to the first emperor of China, Qin Shi Huang. It is regarded as "the eighth wonder of the world" and among the top archaeological excavations of the 20th century. Visit an **Art Ceramics Factory** before we enjoy the special local **Imperial Dumpling Banquet Dinner** and traditional **Tang Dynasty Singing and Dancing Show** in the evening.

DAY 11 - 23 Oct - Xi'an 🚢 Beijing (B, L, D)
Visit the **Shanxi Provincial Historical Museum** in the morning. Enjoy a local special noodle lunch and watch a **Noodle Making Demonstration**. After lunch visit the **Ancient City Wall**, which is not only the most complete city wall that has survived in China, but also one of the largest and most complete ancient military defense systems in the world. Then fly to Beijing in the evening.

DAY 12 - 24 Oct - Beijing (B, L, D)
Start your tour with a visit to the **Tiananmen Square**, the largest public square in the world. Next stop is the **Forbidden City**. Next stop is the **Forbidden City**. This complex, the largest and most intact conglomeration of ancient structures of the imperial palace ever built in the world, features more than 800 buildings with 9999 rooms, resplendent



Shanghai Museum

golden-glazed roofs, red lacquered pillars and vermilion walls. In the afternoon, continue your tour to the **Temple of Heaven**, which was used by Emperors to offer sacrifices to heaven and pray for good harvest in ancient times. In the evening, enjoy a fabulous **Peking Roast Duck Banquet**. Go back to the hotel for rest or attend an optional energetic show--"**Legend of Kung-fu**"--at your own expense (\$50).

DAY 13 - 25 Oct - Beijing (B, L, D)
This morning, you'll have an opportunity to shop at the **largest jade center** in Asia. The highlight today is a trip to the astonishing **Great Wall** at Juyongguan Pass. More than 12,000 kilometers in total, the Great Wall is the most famous image of China throughout the world. It is the only man-made object visible from the moon and, as one of the Eight Wonders of the World. It is also a symbol of Chinese traditional culture and the pride of the Chinese nation. After lunch, see skilled artisans at work at a **Cloisonné Factory**. On your way back to the city, have an outside view of the beautiful **Bird's Nests** and **Water Cube** up close. After dinner, cap off the day by attending a superb performance of **Chinese Acrobatic Show**.

DAY 14- 26 Oct - Beijing (B, L)
In the morning, tour the exquisite **Summer Palace** (Imperial Garden), the largest ancient preserved garden in China and a former summer resort for Emperors and the chosen few. Shop at **Tong Ren Tang** – a famous Pharmacy, followed by lunch. In the afternoon, you will have the option to join **Experience the Hutong Life Tour**, a special journey exploring the ancient Beijing Alley District by pedi-cab, plus a visit to a local family and market (\$50). Today's dinner will be on your own.

DAY 15- 27 Oct Beijing ✕ Sudbury (B)
After breakfast, our tour guide will transfer you to the airport for your flight back home.



Summer Palace

Hotels Accommodation *Based on local hotel ratings

Beijing	West International Trade Hotel or equivalent
Xi'an	Kempinski Hotel or equivalent
Wuxi	Swissbel Hotel or equivalent
Yangtze River Cruise	President No.7
Suzhou	Pan Pacific Hotel or equivalent
Shanghai	Wyndham Hotel or equivalent

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Temple of Heaven