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Marvel at China’s storybook landscapes as you explore this vast and beautiful country via both land and water. Bask in its radiant culture and experience a whirlwind to the senses. You’ll be returning home with unforgettable memories of China’s magical scenery and compelling hospitality.

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Embark on your exciting journey to China. On arrival at the airport, you will be met by your guide and transferred to your hotel.

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Set out with your guide to discover the iconic imperial treasures of China’s massive capital, Beijing. Stand in Tiananmen Square, one of the largest public squares in the world, before moving on to the Forbidden City. We’ll enter through the imposing walls of the palace complex, once the domain of the Ming Dynasty, for an exclusive tour of its courtyards and lanes. This area was considered by the emperor to be a divine place, and as such entry was exclusive to the imperial family and their court, hence the name, the Forbidden City. This is certainly not the case today: it now plays host to some 14 million visitors per year. The Forbidden City also now houses the National Palace Museum – one of the most comprehensive museums in all of China.

After our tour, we’ll return to the hotel where you may relax or instead, you can enjoy one of our bonus Inspiring Sights to enhance your experience.

**Optional Tour – ‘Kung Fu Legend’ Show**
A mix of traditional martial arts and modern theatre, The Legend of Kung Fu show showcases stunning displays of traditional combat, as well as exquisite ballet and music. The performance has arguably become the most well-loved of its kind in China.

**OPTIONAL TOUR - KUNG FU SHOW**
A must-see production in Beijing for tourists and Kung Fu lovers. A group of the best Kung Fu practitioners in China are collected to perform in the one location. The show is a mix of traditional martial arts and modern theatre. Presenting stunning Kung Fu skills, exquisite ballet and music.

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DAY 3

Destination: Beijing
Meals included: Breakfast, lunch
Hotel: 5★ Shangri-La’s China World, or similar

Today’s excursion is one of the most anticipated of our trip – a visit to the Great Wall of China. Often recognised as one of the seven wonders of the world, this UNESCO World Heritage site is a staggering feat and a bucket list destination. We’ll be touring the Juyongguan section, one of the three most famous passes along the Great Wall. Located 60km from downtown Beijing, it used be a stronghold that protected the northern access routes to the city. Here we’ll get a chance to climb a portion of this architectural marvel, which stretches an astonishing 21,000km. En route back to the city we’ll visit one of the largest jade exhibitions in Asia and learn all about China’s most precious and celebrated stone.

Upon returning to Beijing, the rest of the day is yours to spend at leisure or to participate in one of our optional excursions.

Optional Tour – Hutong Life Tour
On this tour you’ll explore the hutongs (alleys) of Beijing on the back of rickshaws, a traditional mode of transport in Beijing, which has three wheels and open sides. These rapidly disappearing traditional neighbourhoods offer a glimpse into the Beijing of the past.

Optional Tour – Peking Duck Banquet Dinner
Enjoy an authentic Peking Duck Banquet served with all the traditional trimmings. This iconic dish has been served in Beijing since the imperial era.

OPTIONAL TOUR - PEKING DUCK BANQUET DINNER
Enjoy an authentic Peking Duck Banquet served with all the traditional accompaniments. This iconic dish has been served in Beijing since the imperial era.

OPTIONAL TOUR - HUTONG LIFE TOUR
On this tour you will explore the hutongs of Beijing on the back of rickshaws, a traditional mode of transport in Beijing. These rapidly disappearing traditional neighbourhoods offer a glimpse into the Beijing of the past.
DAY 4
Destination: Beijing → Suzhou
Meals included: Breakfast, lunch
Hotel: Holiday Inn Taihu Hotel, or similar

This morning we’ll begin our day at a Chinese herbal institute, where we’ll have the opportunity to learn about traditional Chinese medicine.

Later we’ll board a bullet train to reach the city of Suzhou. China’s bullet train network is now the most expansive in the world and you’ll be rocketing towards Suzhou at speeds up to 300km/h. Upon arrival in Suzhou, you’ll be met by our local representative and escorted to your hotel where you may spend the rest of the day relaxing, exploring or spending time with newly made friends.

DAY 5
Destination: Suzhou → Wuxi
Meals included: Breakfast, lunch
Hotel: Swiss-Bel Liyuan Hotel, or similar

Welcome to beautiful Suzhou. This city, in the province of Jiangsu, is known as the Venice of the Orient for its exquisite canals, bridges, pagodas and gardens. Suzhou has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage site and is a fantastic place to learn more about Chinese culture.

Following breakfast we’ll visit the Lingering Garden, which was created more than 500 years ago. The classical garden is one of more than 60 in the city – it’s recognised as having the most UNESCO World Heritage gardens in the world.

After this we continue our journey to the Suzhou Silk Factory, which is said to be the largest silk manufacturer in the country. Here, we’ll discover the incredible methods that lay behind silk harvesting.

We’ll enjoy a brief break for lunch, after which you’ll have the opportunity to participate in another optional excursion, exploring the famous Grand Canal further. In the late afternoon, we’ll continue our journey to the charming city of Wuxi, which sits on the banks of Taihu, one of China’s largest freshwater lakes. Upon arrival we’ll visit Nanchang Street – famous for its seamless fusion of the ancient and modern.

Optional Tour – Grand Canal Cruise
After lunch in Suzhou, enjoy a cruise along the ancient canal, admiring the city from a new perspective and taking in scenes of local life. The Suzhou Grand Canal belongs to the Jiangnan Grand Canal, which starts at Zhenjiang to the north.
and ends at Hangzhou in the south.

**OPTIONAL TOUR - SUZHOU GRAND CANAL**

After lunch, you will have the option to take a boat trip along the longest canal in the world - Suzhou’s Grand Canal. Some sections date as far back as the 5th century BC and it is now a UNESCO World Heritage Site - there are many beautiful homes to admire along this impressive waterway.

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This morning our day begins with a visit to The Brilliance of Lake Lihu, a branch of Lake Taihu. The lake is well known for its gorgeous park and many interesting features. Locally it is famous thanks to the work of numerous scholars, who have written that notable historical figures, such as Fan Li and Xi Shi, boated here. While here we’ll also visit a freshwater pearl farm.

In the afternoon we continue on to Hangzhou, once described by Marco Polo as “the most beautiful and magnificent city in the world”. Upon arrival in Hangzhou you’ll have the evening free to spend at your leisure: relax or take up our optional activity, enjoying a performance.

**Optional Tour – The Romantic Show of Songcheng**

This evening, sit back, relax and prepare to be entertained by a four-act show, regaling audiences with song, dance, colourful costumes, scenes of military prowess and more, all while giving insight into the history of Hangzhou. The Romantic Show of Songcheng is commonly recognised as one of the top three shows in the world alongside the Cirque de Soleil’s ‘O’ Show in Las Vegas, and the Moulin Rouge in Paris.

**OPTIONAL TOUR - THE ROMANTIC SHOW OF SONGCHENG**

This evening, join the symbolic performance of Hangzhou. It has been performed over 2,000 times, and entertained over 60 million audiences. It is regarded as one of the top three famous shows in the world along with the O Show in Las Vegas and the Moulin Rouge in Paris.
DAY 7

Destination: Hangzhou ➔ Shanghai
Meals included: Breakfast
Hotel: 4★ Mercure Hotel Royalton, or similar

The city of Hangzhou, also known as 'Paradise on Earth', has been immortalised by countless poets and artists. The most renowned feature here is the West Lake Cultural Landscape of Hangzhou, which has been listed as a UNESCO World Heritage site. This morning we visit the West Lake, enveloped by mountains on three sides and arguably the most beautiful lake in the country. During our visit you may opt to take an optional boat ride around the lake.

After our visit here, we’ll continue on to tea plantations to taste Dragon Well tea, otherwise known as longjing – a much sought-after local green tea leaf. Green tea is said to be great for health and wellbeing, packed with antioxidants, and today you’ll have the opportunity to learn more about China’s tea culture.

Following lunch, we’ll drive to Shanghai, on China’s central coast. This evening, we’ll have the opportunity to get a glimpse of Shanghai’s dazzling skyline by joining the optional Huangpu River Cruise ride.

Optional Tour – Boat Ride on the West Lake
Soak up the beauty of Hangzhou’s most famous feature, with a boat ride on West Lake.

Optional Tour – Huangpu River Night Cruise
Get a fresh perspective on Shanghai, with a cruise along the Huangpu River. China’s biggest city is famous for its glittering cityscape, which comes alive at sundown as lights flicker on in its many skyscrapers.

OPTIONAL TOUR - HUANGPU RIVER CRUISE
Enjoy an optional evening on the Huangpu River Cruise, allowing you to take in the famous sites of Shanghai including the People’s Hero Monument, the Bund, the Oriental Pearl TV Tower, the dramatic skyline of the Pu Dong business district, the bustling International Passenger Station of Shanghai Harbour, the docks and the Wu Song ancient gun fort relics.
OPTIONAL TOUR - BOAT RIDE ON THE WEST LAKE
During your visit to the beautiful West Lake, you can revel in most renowned feature of Hangzhou by joining the West Lake Boat Ride, noted for how its scenic beauty blends naturally with many famous historical and cultural sites.

DAY 8
Destination  Shanghai
Meals included  Breakfast
Hotel  4★ Mercure Hotel Royalton, or similar

Enjoy a full day in Shanghai – a city of some 26 million people and an important global financial hub. After breakfast, we’ll travel to the Bund, a famous waterfront area in Shanghai that’s lined with colonial architecture of European design. The Bund is perhaps the best representation of Western influences from a bygone era, and is now called the ‘Wall Street of the East’. Following our tour here, the rest of the day is yours to spend as you please – relax or enjoy one of our optional tours and activities to help enhance your experience.

Optional Tour – Shanghai Insight Tour
Explore the Lujiazui Financial & Trade Zone on this tour, which takes in the Jinmao Tower, a landmark, 88-storey skyscraper that reaches a height of 420m. Translated, the word ‘Jinmao’ literally means “Golden Prosperity Building” in Chinese. Here you can find a fusion of traditional Chinese architectural styles and contemporary design and technology. After this, we’ll visit another famous site in Shanghai – Xīntāndì. A high-end entertainment and shopping complex, full of boutiques, luxury hotels and alfresco eateries, with many of the buildings modelled on traditional houses known as lǒngtáng and shíkùmén.

Optional Tour – Chinese Acrobatic Show
This evening, treat yourself to the amazing ERA-Intersection of Time acrobatic show – a high-end production full of lights, and impressive, gravity-defying circus acts.

OPTIONAL TOUR - SHANGHAI ACROBATIC SHOW
The Shanghai Acrobat Show is in our opinion one of the best shows to see while on tour in China. It appeals to all ages, from young children to adults. It is very visual and the show is not made of “tricks” but is feats of skill and fitness. It is comparable to many international Cirque style shows but at a price much lower and an opportunity to sit much closer. Having seen all the acrobat shows in Beijing and Shanghai, we consider this one to be the best of the lot.
OPTIONAL TOUR - SHANGHAI INSIGHT TOUR

This tour takes you to Lujiazui Financial & Trade Zone, where the Jinmao Tower is located. Jinmao is 88 stories high, reaching a height of 420.5 meters and covers a 290,000 square meter construction area. The name translated literally means “Gold Luxuriance Building” in Chinese. Here you can find the perfect combination of traditional Chinese architectural style and the world’s most modern architectural technology. After this, we will visit another famous site in Shanghai – Xi’tian’di. This is a historical and cultural character of the city tourism attraction and its unique Shikumen Shanghai-based urban construction attracts people from around the globe to explore this special leisure area.

DAY 9

Destination Xi’an ➔ Yichang ➔ Yangtze River Cruise
Meals included Breakfast
Hotel Victoria Katarnia, or similar

Today we transfer by high-speed train to Yichang, the gateway to the Yangtze River. This is the starting point of our Yangtze River Cruise, your home for the next four nights. The Yangtze River is the largest river in Asia and the third largest in the world. The river begins in the remote mountainous regions and winds its way through stunning gorges to bring life to millions of people. We board the luxury cruise in the evening and receive an introduction on cruise events and onboard activities. Take some leisure time in the evening to unpack and relax.

DAY 10

Destination ➔ Yangtze River Cruise
Meals included Breakfast, lunch, dinner
Hotel Victoria Katarnia, or similar

Enjoy your first day on the Yangtze River as the ship wends through spectacular scenery. This morning indulge in a beautiful breakfast buffet onboard before joining an included shore excursion to the Three Gorges Project. One of the largest construction projects undertaken by man, it is also the biggest hydroelectric power project in the world.

Optional tour – Tribe of the Three Gorges
One of the few remaining scenic spots not to have been influenced by the Three Gorges Dam project, this leafy area showcases Ba-Shu Culture. Come evening you’ll return to the ship and attend the Captain’s Welcome Banquet, enjoying an evening of dancing and good food.

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Optional tour – Three Gorges Dam Ship Lift
Operational only since 2016, here you can experience the world’s biggest shiplift on a specially-designed sightseeing boat. The shiplift is capable of elevating ships of up to 3000 tons, floated on a volume of water roughly equivalent to four Olympic-sized swimming pools. Experience the lift as your boat climbs 113m – the height of a 40-storey building.

DAY 11
Destination 🚢 Yangtze River Cruise
Meals included Breakfast, lunch, dinner
Hotel Victoria Katarnia, or similar

Today, we’ll enjoy a shore excursion to the mesmerising Shennong Stream. A tributary of the Yangtze, the Shennong flows through three beautiful gorges including the Mianzhu, Parrot and Longcangdong. Each gorge is renowned for its unique and stunning scenery. The Shennong Stream is also home to the Hanging Coffins – ancient coffins suspended high up on the limestone cliff faces, which contain the remains of descendants of the Tujia people.

In the afternoon, return to the ship in time for lunch and enjoy the crew’s magnificent performance in the evening.

Optional tour – White Emperor City
An ancient temple complex overlooking the western end of Qutang Gorge, White Emperor City has long been the subject of many poems. From the site visitors can enjoy views that look back toward the Qutang Gorge – a sight that’s depicted on the back of the Chinese 10-yuan bill (trip offered when river conditions permit).

DAY 12
Destination 🚢 Yangtze River Cruise
Meals included Breakfast, lunch, dinner
Hotel Victoria Katarnia, or similar

Today’s shore excursion will take you to the legendary Jade Emperor in Fengdu. Located on the northern bank of the Yangtze River, Fengdu is an ancient city with a time-honored history, known as the ‘Ghost City’ to most Chinese people. According to superstitious legend, the dead come to Fengdu Ghost City and the devils go to hell. Since Tang Dynasty, forty-eight temples have been built in the place, such as the ‘Hall of the Jade Emperor’.

This evening you enjoy a Farewell Dinner with the rest of the travellers and crew and prepare for disembarkation tomorrow morning.

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Today, you will disembark the cruise ship and be transferred to Chongqing International Airport for your scheduled flight home, unless you choose to extend your stay and continue to explore other mesmerising cities. You’ll be returning home with knowledge of a new culture, connections with new friends and memories to last you a lifetime.

Arrive home today.
Inclusions

WHAT’S INCLUDED
- Return international airfares with a China Southern
- Return airport transfers
- Fully escorted English speaking guide throughout China
- Daily breakfast, 7 lunches, 3 dinners
- 8 nights in world recognised hotel brands including Shangri-la and Mercure
- 4 nights on-board Victoria cruises 5 star Yangtze river cruise
- In-depth sightseeing and entry fees as per the itinerary
- All transportation, rail tickets and entry fees as per the itinerary
- All tipping

SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS
- Beijing - Visit the Tiananmen Square
- Beijing - Stroll through the Forbidden City
- Beijing - Walk on the marvellous Great Wall
- Suzhou - Lingering Garden, a private garden with 500 years of history
- Wuxi - Brilliance of Lake Lihu, located at the Famous Lake Taihu, followed by a visit to a Fresh Water Pearl Farm
- Hangzhou - UNESCO World Heritage site, West Lake - it is known as the most beautiful lake in the country
- Hangzhou - visit No.1 Tea Plantation and taste the local well-known Dragon Well Tea
- Shanghai - Visit The Bund, a famous site in Shanghai lined by the colonial architecture of European design
- Yangtze River cruise - Enjoy a tour of the Three Gorges Dam
- Yangtze River cruise - View the Shennong stream, home to the Hanging Coffins
- Yangtze River cruise - Visit the Shibaozhai Pagoda, built into the side of a 200-metre-tall hill
- Yangtze River cruise - Visit the Fengdu Ghost City, a complex of shrines, temples and monasteries dedicated to the afterlife

Fine Print

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**HOW TO BOOK & PAYMENTS**

**Deposit & Payment**

- Secure your package with a deposit of $500 per person.
- Pay a 2nd instalment of $999 per person within 28 days.
- You will then be invoiced for final payment 90 days prior to departure.

**Booking Process**

- Select the purple ‘Sign Up For Full Details’ tab to begin your booking (you must sign up first by entering your email and creating a password)
- Then select the purple ‘Book now’ tab
- Select your Departure Date, Departure City, number of Passengers, Room Configuration, and enter any Special Requests
- Click the purple ‘Proceed to secure checkout’ tab
- Enter your credit card or Paypal details to secure your deposit/payment
- Once your order is complete, you will be prompted to complete a booking form so that we can fulfil your booking
- Your booking is confirmed once your booking form is submitted and you can begin the countdown to your Inspiring Vacation!

**FLIGHTS, UPGRADES & EXTENSIONS**

**Airfare Information**

- Full-service airline used is China Southern (Air China or China Eastern or similar if unavailable)
- Flights are not direct and include a minimum of one connection (maximum two)
- All tickets will include 20 kilos checked baggage per person, along with 7 kilos of hand luggage
- Despite the airlines baggage allowance, we recommend travelling with 20 kilos per person due to restrictions with internal flights (where applicable), as well as coach and train transportation. Also, you will be responsible for handling your luggage at all times as the services of porters is not included. If travelling over this amount, you will be liable for any excess baggage fees enforced by the airline, payable direct.
- Once ticketed, flights are non-refundable; any changes will be subject to the airline rules and change fees
- Full names as per passport (including all middle names) are required
- Any airline schedule changes or cancellations are beyond our control
Premium Economy or Business Class upgrades

- Premium Economy upgrade available from an additional $1,500 per person (subject to availability).
- Business Class upgrade available from an additional $2,100 per person (subject to availability).

Please specify this as a ‘Special Request’ when completing your booking and you will be quoted for the additional fare. In the event your selection is unavailable, or that you are dissatisfied with the quote, you will be provided with a full refund.

Land Only discount (if booking your own flights)
A reduction of $600 per person applies if you wish to arrange your own airfares. To purchase a land-only fare, please select this option in the booking process under ‘Departure City’.

Please note, if you are not arriving or departing as per the group itinerary, airport transfers will not be included.

Terracotta Warriors extension
Extend to see the Terracotta Warriors in Xi’an from $500 per person. Please click here to view our Best of China itinerary.

How to extend your stay
Some customers like to enhance their holiday by extending their stay pre- and/or post-tour. If you wish to do so, please follow these steps:

1. Follow the ‘Book Now’ prompts after signing up, until you reach the ‘Special Requests’ field
2. Here, please specify your preferred flight arrangements and if you require additional accommodation, with the number of nights needed.
3. After finalising your purchase and submitting your booking form, a member of our team will be in contact with you via email to verify your request.

Please note, a supplement of $150 per person (plus any applicable fare and tax differences) applies to deviate from the standard itinerary. We will contact you via email with a quote and proposed flight itinerary, and then proceed with collecting the additional payment required.
to confirm your request. All additional accommodation and sightseeing is at your own arrangement.

Additional nights accommodation can be booked by your own arrangement, or alternatively we can offer the following rates:

- Beijing - $299 per person including breakfast and transfers (minimum 2 pax)
- Chongqing - $199 per person including breakfast and transfers (minimum 2 pax)

The additional cost for these land arrangements will be added to your final payment invoice, due 120 days prior to departure, and is strictly subject to availability.
**Optional Tours/ Shore Excursions**

**Optional Tours**

- Beijing (Day 02) “Kung Fu Legend” Show - 65 AUD
- Beijing (Day 03) Hutong Life Tour - 55 AUD
- Beijing (Day 03) Peking Duck Banquet Dinner - 165 AUD
- Suzhou (Day 05) Grand Canal Cruise - 55 AUD
- Hangzhou (Day 06) “The Romantic Show of Song Cheng” - 105 AUD
- Hangzhou (Day 07) - Boat Ride on the West Lake - 55 AUD
- Shanghai (Day 07) Huangpu River Night Cruise - 75 AUD
- Shanghai (Day 08) Shanghai Insight Tour - 65 AUD
- Shanghai (Day 08) Chinese Acrobatic Show - 95 AUD

Optional tours can be selected once you have finalised your tour purchase and paid your deposit. When completing your Passenger Booking Form, you will be asked if you would like to add Optional Tours, where any applicable cost will be added to your final balance. If you choose not to select them at this time, you can choose to add them later by logging in to your Account online or speaking with your Dedicated Support Agent for assistance.

Please note that you must select your Optional Tours no later than 65 days before departure, after which you will be required to purchase them on tour. Please keep in mind that anything purchased on-tour is subject to availability and prices may vary as you will be paying in local currency. We appreciate your understanding.

**Optional Shore Excursions**

- Three Gorges Dam Ship Lift (Day 10) - 320RMB (approx. $65AUD)
- Tribe of the Three Gorges (Day 10) - 355RMB (approx. $70AUD)
- White Emperor City (Day 11) - 355RMB (approx. $70AUD)

Shore excursions are paid and bookable upon embarkation in local currency.
EXCLUSIONS

- Visas
- Travel insurance (compulsory)
- Anything not mentioned in the itinerary
- Optional activities
- Personal expenses

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**Fitness Requirements**

While the tour itinerary should give you some guidance and overview to the expected requirements, to determine if this tour is right for you we categorise each of our tours in terms of their intensity. These guidelines are to ensure that each tour group is conducted as expected and to ensure the overall satisfaction of all Inspiring Vacations customers.

As a general rule, porterage is not included, therefore at all times you are expected to handle your own luggage where help may not be available.

This particular tour is categorised as a “4”.

4 – Active Tour: A very good level of fitness and mobility is required for you to enjoy all aspects of the itinerary, as this is considered a fast-paced tour. While there is some free time scheduled either in the morning or afternoon, there are many full days of sightseeing with minimal rest and some early starts. You will be required to walk up and down stairs, get on and off the coach and participate in all scheduled sightseeing that may be conducted on uneven ground and terrain. Any physical ailments you may have must be disclosed at the time of booking to determine your suitability. If you have any form of walking aids, other than a walking stick or hiking poles, then this tour is not suitable.

**Accommodation**

The accommodation listed is subject to change. Any changes will be of an equal or higher standard. Bedding configurations (double or twin) are requests only. All efforts will be made to meet your preferences, however any changes are beyond our control.

**Cruise Details**

For further information on your cruise, click [HERE](#). Victoria Cruises is the only international cruise line currently sailing China’s Yangtze River and sails with international multi-lingual cruise directors.
Cabins provided are the standard cabin, all of which include a balcony. No cabin upgrades are available.

Drink Packages - May be purchased on-board to include beer and wine. Prices vary based on the chosen package. Please enquire when boarding your vessel as prices vary.

Please note: If you are not participating in a shore excursion on any given day, you are not allowed to disembark from the ship, instead you can enjoy free time relaxing on-board. Shore excursions are based on availability and ship schedule. Please refer to the optional tour selection in the fields below for pricing.

**Single Supplement**
Single supplement is $999 per person in addition to the twin share price.

**Paired Solo Travellers**
This package allows you to avoid paying a single supplement by booking as a Paired Solo Traveller.

This option must be selected at time of booking during the purchase path under “Select Your Room” and then choose “Paired Twin Room”.

Regardless of whether an accompanying solo traveller is found, you are guaranteed to travel at no additional cost.

Solo travellers are matched only on the basis of gender and not on other factors such as age, nationality, religion or sexuality. We kindly ask that you disclose any requirements, medical or otherwise, that might disturb your matched traveller’s sleep (e.g. sleep apnoea or a CPAP machine). Unfortunately, with this in mind and in the interest of other travellers, we request that you proceed with your own private room with the resulting single supplement. Should a second solo traveller not be available, you are nonetheless guaranteed to travel at no extra cost and you will be placed into a single, twin share or double room by yourself. Your tour group may include multiple solo travellers who may or may not be paired. No changes will be permitted to any pairing arrangements.

Note that for some portions of some itineraries, the group sizes will vary. Some packages may operate on groups as small as 2 people and therefore, there may be time spent travelling only with your paired traveller. Should a package require a minimum number of 2 travellers and you are not paired, your booking may be cancelled.

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You will be introduced to your matched solo traveller at the beginning of your itinerary and your personal details will not be shared as per our Privacy Policy. Should there be any dissatisfaction with your matched traveller, unfortunately we are unable to make any changes to your room arrangements or offer any refund. Inspiring Vacations takes no responsibility for and will not be held liable for any dissatisfaction with the matched traveller or for their actions.

All departures remain strictly subject to availability and may sell out prior to your tentative booking being confirmed, in which case the fee will be refunded in full. All other booking terms apply.

**Triple Share**
Not available.

**Travel Insurance**
Travel insurance is required to protect yourself against the unexpected.

We have partnered with QBE insurance to offer our customers competitive rates for their travel insurance. You can book comprehensive or budget cover, earn Qantas Frequent Flyer points and save 25% on retail rates.

Simply click [HERE](#) to arrange your policy.

**Visa & Passport information**
It is the travellers responsibility to ensure they have a valid passport. The passport must be valid for a minimum of 6 months from your intended date of return to Australia.

All Australian passport holders will require a visa to enter China

Please note the visa is only valid for 3 months from date of issue.

The best way to apply for your Visa is directly with the Chinese Visa Application Service Centre in your nearest capital city. We recommend you to organise an appointment online to arrange a date and time.
You will require specific documents to apply for your visa which we will provide you closer to your departure date. Please keep in mind you are unable to apply for your visa until you are within 3 months of your travel date.

Please see below a check list of items/documents required:

- Actual Passport
- Application Form (attached)
- Passport Size Photo
- E-ticket/flight schedule
- Tour Itinerary and Hotel List
- Application Fee (approximately $109.50 - paid direct with consulate)

To apply for your visa direct with the Chinese Consulate you will need to:

- Ensure your passport has a validity of at least 6 months from your departure date / Or 15 months validity if applying for a multiple entry.
- If you have a new passport, you will be required to provide both copies to the Service Centre.
- Make sure your passport has 2 blank pages.
- Complete the China Visa Application form accurately and apply for the correct visa. Each Passport holder is required to complete and sign an individual application form.
- Attach 1 passport size photo to your form.
- Provide a photocopy of your passport Information Page.
- Pay the visa application fee at the time of collection, if by post need to include a sign Payment Authorization Form (extra charge applied if need to return your passport by post)
- Submit your application in person or post to China Visa Center.
- If you submit the application in person, you are required to drop in your application to the China Visa Center. We highly recommend you make an appointment to be seen. When your China Visa is issued you are required to go back to the China Visa Center to collect your passport. This may take up to 4-5 business days. You will be provided with a pick up date upon dropping off your application.
- If you do it by post it may take up to 2 weeks for the passport to return to you.
- Traveller under 18 years old travel with parents need to bring original birth certificate.
- (Please note all rush applications are to be submitted (2nd working day collection) before 12 o’clock noon.)
If you are unable to complete the visa direct with the Chinese Visa Application Service Centre for any reason a full visa service is offered by VisaLink by clicking HERE. (Please note: service fees and increased visa costs apply).

Please note that these details are subject to change without notice. We recommend visiting https://smarttraveller.gov.au for up to date information in terms of entry requirements. Visa’s should not be applied for before receiving your final documentation.

Tour Documentation
Final documentation, including e-tickets and hotel details, will be provided approximately 30 days prior to travel.

Group Size
10-46 people

Children
Children must be 5 years old or over and share a room with parents at all times. Children are the same price as adults.

Tour Length
The total length of the tour in days includes time spent inflight and is subject to change, depending on the flight schedule. Please refer to the day-by-day itinerary for the time spent in your destination(s).