

China

Departure Date : 17 Mar, 2011

13 days/ 11 nights tour Beijing, Yangtze River, Guilin & Hong Kong

Day 1 17 Mar, 2011

San Francisco - Beijing

Depart from San Francisco for Beijing with Air Canada via Vancouver. Departure time is 7:30Am; please check-in at San Francisco International airport 3 hours before departure.

AC 561	17MAR	San Francisco – Vancouver	730A	945A
AC 29	17MAR	Vancouver – Beijing	120P	405P

Day 2 18 Mar, 2011

Beijing (D)

Arrive in Beijing at 4:05pm on 18Mar, capital city of China. You will be met by our Asia Journeys' local guide and escorted to your hotel. Free afternoon to walk around the city, you will have a chance to meet and talk to local Chinese people and experience one of their typical leisure afternoons. Dinner is arranged at a local restaurant.

Accommodations at 5* Crowne Plaza Zhongguancun hotel or similar

Day 3 19 Mar, 2011

Beijing (B, L, D)

After breakfast, we start our tour to China visiting the world's largest public square - Tiananmen Square. Then, proceed to The Forbidden City, the palace home of the Ming and Qing Dynasty Emperors for over 500 years. After lunch, Enjoy an afternoon visit to a pearl factory where you will learn about the farming and cultivating of pearls in China, followed by a visit to the Temple of Heaven, where China's emperors came to pray for a good harvest. After dinner, enjoy an Acrobatics Show or the amazing show, "The Legend of Kung Fu".

Accommodations at 5* Crowne Plaza Zhongguancun hotel or similar



Day 4 20 Mar, 2011

Beijing (B, L, SD)

Today's highlights include an excursion to the Great Wall, an astonishing feat of engineering. On the way, stop to learn about the different qualities and grades of jade, the most popular stone in China. We then visit the Summer Palace, the largest and best-preserved imperial garden in China. A stop will be also be made for you to take pictures at The Bird's Nest, and the "Water Cube" venues for the recent Beijing Olympics. Enjoy a walk along Wang Fu Jing Street and for dinner attend a welcome banquet featuring a traditional "Beijing Roast Duck" dinner.

Accommodations at 5* Crowne Plaza Zhongguancun hotel or similar



Day 5 21 Mar, 2011

Beijing – Yichang - Yangtze River Cruise (B, L, D)

After a leisure breakfast at your hotel, you will be transferred to airport for your flight to Yichang. Leaving Beijing at 1:30pm with Air China flight 1823, simple lunch snack on the plane, arrive Yichang at 3:50pm. Upon arrival, you will be met by our Asia Journeys local representative and transferred to pier to board on your awe- inspiring Yangtze River cruise around 7:00pm– 5* Century Star after a simple city tour and dinner. Your sailing starts tonight.

Accommodations at 5* Century Star cruise

CA1823	21MAR	Beijing – Yichang	130P	350P
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Day 6 22 Mar, 2011

Cruising the Yangtze River - Three Gorges Dam Site (B, L, D)

Depart from Yichang, sail into Xiling Gorge (the longest of 41 miles) in the morning. Take a shore excursion to the Three Gorges Dam; afterwards sail through the five-step Ship locks in the afternoon. In the early evening is the Captain's Welcome Party, a Crew Cabaret is provided after a welcome dinner.

Accommodations at 5* Century Star cruise

Day 7 23 Mar, 2011

Cruising the Yangtze River - Danning river "Lesser Three Gorges" (B, L, D)

In the early morning, sail through Wu gorge, which is 25 miles long and wellknown for its 12 forest-covered peaks and quiet beauty with ever-changing sceneries. Afterwards, take an exciting excursion through the Lesser Three Gorges of Danning River, which is much narrower than the Three Gorges. Then sail through Qutang Gorge, the shortest, narrowest (500 feet) and the most dramatic one. Optional tour to the White Emperor City is provided in the afternoon.

Accommodations at 5* Century Star cruise

Day 8 24 Mar, 2011

Cruising the Yangtze River - Fengdu Snow Jade Cave (B, L, D)

Land excursion to the Fengdu Snow Jade Cave, a newly discovered cave rated as the most beautiful in China by Chinese National Geographic. It is budding cave full of snow and jade-like stalactites and stalagmites. After the land excursion, there are various cultural programs you may attend onboard. The evening includes the farewell dinner and settlement of personal accounts.

Accommodations at 5* Century Star cruise



Day 9

25 Mar, 2011**Disembark Chongqing - Guilin (B, L, D)**

After your buffet breakfast, collect your luggage and disembark in Chongqing around 9 am. You will be met by our Asia Journeys' local representative at the cruise pier. After lunch, proceed to Chongqing airport for your flight to Guilin, world-renowned for its scenic beauty. Leaving Chongqing airport at 11:45am, arrive Guilin at 12:50pm. Upon arrival, you will be met by our local "Asia Journeys" representative and escorted to visit the Dragon Spine Terrace field and minority tribes after lunch. Return to Guilin city to your hotel after dinner.

Accommodations at the Lijiang Waterfall Hotel (5*) or similar

MF8404 25MAR Chongqing – Guilin 1145A 1250P

Day 10

26 Mar, 2011**Guilin - Yangshuo - Guilin (B, L, D)**

In the morning, take a leisure boat ride along the beautiful Li River to Yangshuo, an ancient town. This territory has inspired Chinese artists for thousands of years. Along the way, you may even see local villagers prowling the river in their traditional boats and employing cormorants for an unusual way of fishing. Disembark in Yangshuo, where you will have time to browse bustling West Street of Yangshuo and its natural beauty. Return to Guilin for a simple city tour to visit the Fubo hill and Prince's Mansion (if time permits). After dinner, check-in to your hotel.

Accommodations at the Lijiang Waterfall Hotel (5*) or similar



Li River, Guilin

Day 11

27 Mar, 2011**Yangshuo - Guilin - Shenzhen - Hong Kong (B)**

Get up early for your early morning flight to Shenzhen, leaving Guilin airport at 7:50Am, upon arrival in Shenzhen at 9:00Am. An air-conditioning coach bus will meet you at the Shenzhen airport and take you to Hong Kong to your hotel. Free afternoon for leisure

Accommodations at 4.5* Harbor Plaza 8 Degree hotel or similar

CZ3239 27MAR Guilin – Shenzhen 750A 900A

Day 12

28 Mar, 2011**Hong Kong (B)**

Half day city tour will be arranged for you to visit the Victoria Peak, Aberdeen Fishing Village, Aberdeen Typhoon Shelter is an old traditional fishing village which is hard to find in any other parts of the World. You may gain a deeper insight of the lifestyle of Hong Kong fishing folks by riding on a sampan (at your own expenses). The Repulse Bay and the Stanley Market. Free afternoon at your own leisure

Accommodations at 4.5* Harbor Plaza 8 Degree hotel or similar



Victoria Peak

Day 13

29 Mar, 2011**Hong Kong - San Francisco (B)**

Free morning until early afternoon, you will be transferred to the Hong Kong international airport for your homebound flight back to San Francisco with Air Canada via Vancouver. Departure time in Hong Kong is 7:30pm, arrive San Francisco the same day at 8:25pm!

AC 8 29MAR Hong Kong – Vancouver 730P 410P
AC 564 29MAR Vancouver – San Francisco 610P 825P

Based on a minimum of 20 people, double occupancy

Tour price:	\$ 1,950 per person
Airlines taxes of	\$ 110 per person
Airline fuel surcharge of	\$ 150 per person
Travel protection plan	\$ 30 per person
Chinese visa fee	\$ 150 per person
Tipping fee	\$ 10 per day/person

Deposite and Balance:

Non-refundable deposit of \$300 is due on or before November 24, 2010

Total Balance is due on or before January 14, 2011.

Please make checks payable to Ohlone College with clear indication of the name(s) of the participant(s) on the check and turn in your checks to Weihsun Mao or Mikelyn Stacey.

For questions you may email to:

Weihsun Mao: wmao@ohlone.edu or

Mikelyn Stacey: mstacey@ohlone.edu

Remarks:

** Airline space & hotel room availability and rates are subject to change without prior notice until deposit paid

** Airlines airport taxes/ fuel charges subject to change at any time until paid in full.

** Itinerary may subject to change due flight schedule, road conditions and availability of air seats & hotel rooms.

If such inconvenience or encumbrance occurs to the travelers, Asia Journeys will upgrade the services at no additional cost to the travelers who are inconvenienced or encumbered.

Tour price includes:

- International airline tickets from San Francisco – Beijing / Hong Kong – San Francisco on Air Canada., (economy class service)
- International airport taxes/fuel charge with Air Canada.
- All transportation with air-conditioning as mentioned
- Meals as mentioned in the program, B=breakfast, L=lunch, D=dinner and SD= special dinner
- English speaking local guide service in each city
- Sightseeing & Entrance fees as mentioned in the program
- 5* Hotel accommodation except 4.5 * hotel in Hong Kong with daily breakfasts, double occupancy
- Domestic flights with tax/fuel surcharges from Beijing – Yichang/ Chongqing – Guilin – Shenzhen (economy class)

Tour price excludes:

- Single supplement is \$649 per person (cash or check payment)
- Chinese Visa application fee of \$150 per person (cash or check payment only)
- Tips for the driver and guide, suggestion of \$10 per person per day to be paid locally
- All prices mentioned above are based on cash or check payment, additional 4% credit card fee will apply to the total amount if choose paying by credit cards (we accept Visa or MasterCard cards only).
- Weekend surcharge of \$25 per person each direction if travel dates fall between Fri- Sun.
- Additional services, tours, meals during free time
- Trip cancellation insurance of \$125 per person (cash or check payment only)
- Personal fees: Laundry, telephone, Mini-bar at hotel etc.

UPDATE: Oct 18, 2010

Organized by Ohlone College Chinese Department to supplement and support the Chinese language curriculum through international and intercultural experiences, this tour to Beijing, Yangtze River, Guilin and Hong Kong from March 17 to March 29, 2011 is intended to provide extended contact with the target language environment and give students a chance to develop academically and personally, gain cultural insights, and foster intercultural awareness and understanding. It is hoped to afford experiences and benefits that are difficult to duplicate in class.

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