Beijing, Xian, Cruise, Shanghai 14 Days

Highlight: Beijing/Xian/Chongqing/Yichang/Shanghai/Suzhou/Shanghai



Day 1 (Tue) – Ottawa flight to Beijing

We start our journey from Ottawa with a transpacific flight to Beijing.

Day 2 (Wed) – Arrive Beijing (No meals)

Meet at Beijing Airport and transfer to Hotel the Presidential Beijing.

Day 3 (Thu) – Beijing (B/L/-)

<u>Tiananmen Square</u>, <u>Forbidden City</u> and <u>Summer Palace</u>. **Optional Kung Fu Show with Peking Duck dinner** USD 60 per person.

Day 4 (Fri) – Beijing (B/L/-)

<u>Badaling Great Wall</u> (2 hours visit at least), <u>Jade stone workshop</u> visit en route. Photo -stop at the <u>Bird</u> <u>Nest & Water Cube</u>.

Day 5 (Sat) – Beijing (B/L/-)

<u>Temple of Heaven</u> (watch local people doing all kinds of morning exercise, including Chinese Tai Chi), & <u>Pearl factory visit</u>. <u>Hutong tour by rickshaw</u> with a <u>home visit</u>.

Day 6 (Sun) – Beijing/Xian (B/L/-)

Fly to Xi'an. Visit the <u>Provincial Museum</u> & <u>Big Wild Goose Pagoda</u>. Stay at Hotel <u>Jian Guo Hotel Xian</u>.

Day 7 (Mon) - Xian (B/L/TD)

Full day excursion to the <u>Terracotta Warriors Museum</u>, and visit to the <u>ceramics & pottery workshop</u> en route. Enjoy the <u>Dumpling Dinner and Tang Dynasty Show</u> tonight.

Day 8 (Tue) – Xian/Chongqing (B/L/D)

Fly to Chongqing. Visit the <u>Panda Zoo</u>, and enjoy local flavored hot pot dinner before embarkation of the <u>MV President No.6 Cruise</u> (Deluxe 5-star Cruise, standard cabin with private balcony).

Day 9 (Wed) – Three Gorges (B/L/D)

Start our sail for a distance of 430 miles in all the great gorges and deep mountain valleys. Optional shore excursion in the morning to the ghost city of Fengdu, and visit Shibaozhai in the afternoon (included tour)

Day 10 (Thu) – Three Gorges (B/L/D)

Sailing into the Qutang Gorge and Wu Gorge, and the river changes to wildly stirring, riffle water along with swirling bubbles. The mossy cliffs are hemmed by the banging pathways under the Twelve Peaks. When the boat gets to the famed Shennong Stream, we change to small boat and sail deep into the Shennong Stream (included tour). Then we return to our boat and continue sailing into the Xiling Gorge.

Day 11 (Fri) – Yichang/Shanghai (B/L/-)

Excursion to the Three Gorges Dam site (included tour) and pass through the 5 ship locks with lowering our boat down 412 feet, before we end our cruise at Yichang. Transfer to airport and fly to Shanghai. Stay at Hotel <u>Ocean Hotel Shanghai</u>.

Day 12 (Sat) – Shanghai (B/L/-)

Full day visit to the <u>Yu Garden</u>, <u>Shanghai Museum</u>, <u>the Bund</u>, <u>Xintiandi and Pudong New</u> <u>Development Zone</u>. <u>Optional Acrobatic Show</u> with dinner USD 60 per person.

Day 13 (Sun) – Shanghai/Suzhou/Shanghai (B/L/-)

Excursion to the water town Suzhou, including the Garden of Master of Nets, Silk Spinning Factory and Pingjiang Road Old Town Area.

Day 14 (Mon) Exit Shanghai (B/-/-)

Departure transfer to Shanghai International airport.

Cost includes:

- 4 night accommodation with buffet breakfast at the Presidential Beijing;
- 2 night accommodation with buffet breakfast at **Jian Guo Hotel Xi'an**;
- 3 night full board on the **MV President No.6 Cruise**;
- 3 night accommodation with buffet breakfast at **Ocean Hotel Shanghai**;
- Tours with meals as listed.
- Professional English speaking tour guide service
- Round trip airport/hotel/airport transfers & domestic air tickets with airport tax

Cost excludes:

• Optional tours;

Personal expenses & gratuities to guide & driver. Suggested amount per person per day: USD 10 for the guide and USD 5 for the driver; USD 25 for the cruise staff.

• For the booking that passengers arrive in Beijing between 9 pm and 7 am, or depart Shanghai before 8 am and after 10 pm, please add USD 30 respectively for the transfer surcharge.