

# 12 Day Incredible China with Terracotta Warriors

## Asia Vacation Group – Authentic Asia!

Local knowledge, adventures of a lifetime.

Discover Asia with our team of experts, and a carefully selected, value-packed exploration of Asia's most iconic destinations. Our tours offer must-visit sights, rich experiences and quality inclusions all at an unbeatable prices. Your bucket list dreams are ticked off on these all-encompassing vacations.

Travel with the confidence. Your trip has been carefully crafted by our team with you in mind and it's that same team that takes you on the journey. One amazing team to help and guide you, not only as your local travel expert but also as a friend with helpfulness and sincerity.

Specialists in Asia touring since 2015, we are proud to be the people who craft your itinerary, help you at each step, plus guide and operate your tour.

<b>Return Flights Included</b>	<b>7 Day Change Of Mind to Refund</b>	<b>Australian Company owned</b>
<b>Unbeatable Price</b>	<b>Bullet Train Experienced</b>	

## Day by Day Itinerary

Beijing, Wuxi, Suzhou, Hangzhou, Shanghai, Xi'an

## HIGHLIGHTS

Discover Incredible China at an unbelievable price. Explore Beijing, Wuxi, Hangzhou, Suzhou, Shanghai and Xi'an

- **Tiananmen Square:** Stand in Tiananmen Square, one of the world's largest public spaces, and soak in its historical significance and impressive scale.
- **Great Wall of China:** Climb the Juyongguan section of the Great Wall, one of the Seven Wonders of the World. Marvel at this monumental feat of ancient engineering and enjoy panoramic views of the surrounding landscape.
- **West Lake:** Stroll around the picturesque West Lake in Hangzhou, a UNESCO World Heritage site known for its stunning beauty and cultural significance. Enjoy the serene atmosphere and scenic views.
- **Shanghai Bund:** Experience the Bund, Shanghai's famous waterfront area showcasing a blend of historic colonial architecture and modern skyscrapers. Take in the vibrant atmosphere and breathtaking skyline views.
- **Terracotta Warriors:** Witness the Terracotta Warriors, thousands of life-sized statues buried with China's first emperor. Learn about their discovery and the historical significance of these remarkable artefacts.

## ITINERARY

### Day 1: Beijing Arrival

Welcome to Beijing – The majestic capital of China!

Upon arrival at Beijing Capital International Airport, you'll be warmly greeted and transferred to your hotel for a well-deserved rest after your flight. Get ready to embark on a spectacular journey through China.

(please note that most flights arrive later in the evening).

**Meals:** In-flight meals

**Accommodation:** Ramada Beijing North Hotel 4\* or similar

### Day 2: Beijing – Tiananmen Square

After a breakfast, explore the iconic imperial treasures of Beijing with your guide. Begin at Tiananmen Square, one of the largest public squares in the world.

Later, explore the city at your own pace or join an optional excursion to enhance your experience.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Ramada Beijing North Hotel 4\* or similar

**Note:**

If you choose not to join an optional tour today, you will be dropped off at a designated location and informed about the pick-up time and place, typically 4-5 hours later. If you prefer not to wait, you can take a taxi back to the hotel at your own expense.

**Day 3: Beijing - Great Wall and Jade Carving Workshop**

Today's excursion is one of the most anticipated of our trip – a visit to the **Great Wall of China**. Often recognized as one of the Seven Wonders of the World, this UNESCO World Heritage site is a staggering feat of engineering and a bucket list destination.

Explore the Juyongguan section of the Great Wall, renowned as one of the Wall's three most famous passes. Situated just 60 kilometers from downtown Beijing, this historic stronghold once defended the northern approaches to the city. During your visit, you'll have the opportunity to climb a segment of this architectural wonder, which extends an impressive 21,000 kilometers.

En route back to Beijing we'll visit one of the largest jade exhibitions in China 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.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Ramada Beijing North Hotel 4\* or similar

**Day 4: Beijing - Bullet Train to Wuxi - Sightseeing**

Begin your day with a visit to a Chinese herbal institute, where you have the opportunity to learn about traditional Chinese medicine. Later visit the Temple of Heaven, seen as the most holy of Beijing's imperial temples. It has been described as "a masterpiece of architecture and landscape design". Morning is the best time to visit it. Experience local life with morning exercises.

In the afternoon board the bullet train to reach the city of Wuxi. China's bullet train network is now the most expansive in the world and you'll be rocketing towards Wuxi at speeds up to 300km/h. Upon arrival in Wuxi, 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.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Grand Park Hotel Wuxi 4\* or similar

**Day 5: Wuxi - Suzhou**

Visit The Brilliance of Lake Lihu, a beautiful park on the shores of Lake Taihu. Discover the rich history and enjoy its serene environment. 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 to learn about pearl cultivation.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Lakeside Hotel Suzhou 4\* or similar

**Day 6: Suzhou - Hangzhou**

Explore the Lingering Garden, one of Suzhou's classical gardens, a UNESCO World Heritage site.

After, continue to the **Suzhou Silk Factory**, one of the largest silk manufacturers in the country. Discover the incredible methods that lay behind silk harvesting.

This afternoon 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 excursions, enjoying a performance.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Merchant Marco Garden Hotel Hangzhou 4\* or similar

### **Day 7: Hangzhou - Shanghai**

The city of Hangzhou, 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.

After our visit to the West Lake, we'll continue on to a tea plantation 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.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Novotel Shanghai Qingpu Excellence 4\* or similar

### **Day 8: Shanghai**

Enjoy a full day in Shanghai – a city of some 26 million people and an important global financial hub.

After breakfast, 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 a Western influence of a bygone era.

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.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Novotel Shanghai Qingpu Excellence 4\* or similar

### **Day 9: Shanghai - Xi'an**

Travel to Xi'an and visit the Wild Goose Pagoda, an important Buddhist site with historical significance. In the evening, consider joining the optional Grand Tang Everbright City tour and enjoy a Dumpling Banquet.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Ramada by Wyndham Xi'an Chanba 4\* or similar

### **Day 10: Xi'an**

Today you will explore Xi'an on the Terracotta Warriors day tour. View the enigmatic ranks of the Terracotta Warriors in the company of our experienced local guide. You may have the opportunity of meeting the man who discovered the Warriors and learn about the moment they were uncovered by talking to one of the farmers who stumbled upon them in 1974. Afterwards Visit the famous Moslem Street, where many delicious local snacks and souvenirs are available for purchase.

**Meals:** Breakfast & Lunch

**Accommodation:** Ramada by Wyndham Xi'an Chanba 4\* or similar

### **Day 11: Xi'an - Home**

Enjoy a final breakfast before your transfer to the airport for your flight home. Reflect on the amazing experiences and memories made during your journey through China.

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** On Plane

### **Day 12: Home**

Arrive home today, concluding your remarkable journey through China with Asia Vacation Group. We hope you had an incredible experience.

## **INCLUSIONS**

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- **Return flights included.**
- Airport transfers included on the first and last day of tour
- 10 nights hotel accommodation
- Dedicated transportation in comfortable, air-conditioned vehicles

- Daily Breakfast
- Fully escorted by English-speaking local guides
- In-depth sightseeing and all entry fees as per the itinerary
- 1 water bottle per person per day

## EXCLUSIONS

- Meals and drinks not mentioned in the program
- Visa fee in China
- **Compulsory Tipping for driver and tour guide (AU\$12 per person/day).** This is collected by our tour guide when you arrives in Beijing.
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance (we strongly recommend you hold a valid travel insurance policy for all domestic and overseas travel)
- Trip delay or interruption by due to airline schedule changes
- Extra cost or missed tour caused by flight delay or cancel
- Any service not clearly mentioned in the program

## DEPARTURE DATES: PRICE IS QUOTED IN AU\$ PER PERSON

DEPART AU	RETURN DATE	PRICE	NOTE	RESERVE YOUR SEAT
<b>Monday</b> 14 Oct 2024	<b>Friday</b> 25 Oct 2024	AU\$1,599		<b>Sold Out</b>
<b>Sunday</b> 20 Oct 2024	<b>Thursday</b> 31 Oct 2024	AU\$1,799		<b>Book</b>
<b>Sunday</b> 27 Oct 2024	<b>Thursday</b> 07 Nov 2024	AU\$1,799		<b>Book</b>
<b>Sunday</b> 03 Nov 2024	<b>Thursday</b> 14 Nov 2024	AU\$1,699	<b>HOT DEAL</b>	<b>Book</b>
<b>Sunday</b> 10 Nov 2024	<b>Thursday</b> 21 Nov 2024	AU\$1,699	<b>HOT DEAL</b>	<b>Book</b>
<b>Saturday</b> 16 Nov 2024	<b>Wednesday</b> 27 Nov 2024	AU\$1,499	<b>HOT DEAL</b>	<b>Sold Out</b>
<b>Sunday</b> 16 Feb 2025	<b>Thursday</b> 27 Feb 2025	AU\$1,699		<b>Book</b>
<b>Sunday</b> 23 Feb 2025	<b>Thursday</b> 06 Mar 2025	AU\$1,699		<b>Book</b>
<b>Sunday</b> 02 Mar 2025	<b>Thursday</b> 13 Mar 2025	AU\$1,699		<b>Book</b>
<b>Sunday</b> 09 Mar 2025	<b>Thursday</b> 20 Mar 2025	AU\$1,799		<b>Book</b>
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DEPART AU	RETURN DATE	PRICE	NOTE	RESERVE YOUR SEAT
<b>Sunday</b> 13 Apr 2025	<b>Thursday</b> 24 Apr 2025	AU\$1,899		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 20 Apr 2025	<b>Thursday</b> 01 May 2025	AU\$1,799		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 11 May 2025	<b>Thursday</b> 22 May 2025	AU\$1,699		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 18 May 2025	<b>Thursday</b> 29 May 2025	AU\$1,499	<b>HOT DEAL</b>	<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 25 May 2025	<b>Thursday</b> 05 Jun 2025	AU\$1,499	<b>HOT DEAL</b>	<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 08 Jun 2025	<b>Thursday</b> 19 Jun 2025	AU\$1,799		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 15 Jun 2025	<b>Thursday</b> 26 Jun 2025	AU\$1,999		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 17 Aug 2025	<b>Thursday</b> 28 Aug 2025	AU\$1,799		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 24 Aug 2025	<b>Thursday</b> 04 Sep 2025	AU\$1,599		<a href="#">Book</a>
<b>Sunday</b> 07 Sep 2025	<b>Thursday</b> 18 Sep 2025	AU\$1,599		<a href="#">Book</a>
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<b>Sunday</b> 12 Oct 2025	<b>Thursday</b> 23 Oct 2025	AU\$1,899		<a href="#">Book</a>
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## OPTIONAL TOURS



**Forbidden City Tour**  
AU\$80



**Beijing Golden Mask  
Dynasty Show**  
AU\$90



**Hutong Life Tour**  
AU\$40



**Peking-duck Banquet  
Dinner**  
AU\$50



**Wuxi Grand Canal Cruise**  
AU\$80



**Romantic Show of Song-  
Cheng**  
AU\$105



**Shanghai Insight Tour**  
AU\$70



**Huangpu River Cruise**  
AU\$80



**Shanghai Chinese  
Acrobatic Show**  
AU\$105



**Grand Tang Everbright  
City & Dumpling Banquet**  
AU\$70

## **FINE PRINT**

### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

This package includes return flights from Sydney/Melbourne.

Flights from Adelaide and Brisbane attract a **\$400 surcharge. Perth \$500 surcharge.**

**Airline Selection:** We book the best available airlines for your journey, which may include a mix of full-service and low-cost carriers. Specific airline requests can be made at the time of purchase. This includes upgrades to your preferred carrier, premium economy or business class cabins or specific seats. Whilst we will try our best, not all requests can be confirmed.

**Flight Conditions:** Flights may not be direct and could involve a maximum of two transits.

**Ticketing Information:** Once issued, tickets are non-refundable. Changes are subject to airline rules, airline change fees, and an Asia Vacations Group change fee of \$250 per person.

**Passenger Details:** Please ensure all traveller's names are as per passports. This includes all middle names. Errors may incur a name change fee of \$150 plus airline charges, or require the purchase of a new ticket.

**Flight Schedule Changes:** Any changes or cancellations to airline schedules are outside our control. We recommend staying updated with airline schedules before departure. Additional expenses for extended transits or alternative arrangements are the traveller's responsibility.

**Internal Airfares:** Local flights included in your itinerary may utilise low-cost carriers without meals or entertainment. Checked baggage is included; any additional baggage fees are payable at check-in.

**Booking Considerations:** If travelling with others on separate bookings, we may not be able to guarantee all flights are the same due to availability.

**Luggage and Fees:** You are responsible for your luggage at all times. Excess baggage fees, if incurred, are payable directly to the airline. All tickets will include 20 kg checked baggage per person, plus 7 kg of hand luggage. We recommend travelling with a max 20kg per person due to restrictions on internal flights (where applicable), as well as coach and train transportation. Please note, you will be responsible for handling your luggage at all times as the services of porters are not included.

**No-Show Policy:** Missing your flight may result in fees including a no-show fee, airline reissue fee, and possible new ticket purchase. Asia Vacations Group charges a \$250 admin fee for re-booking assistance.

**Price Adjustments:** Prices are final at the time of ticketing. Any subsequent changes may result in additional costs due to factors beyond our control, such as currency fluctuations or airline surcharges.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### Physical Requirements

A reasonable level of fitness is required but it's more about spending time on your feet rather than covering large distances. You'll be getting on and off coaches and boats, walking around the sights and climbing some steps.

### Tipping

A friendly reminder that tipping is not included in your package. Please be advised that tipping tour guides, drivers and bellmen is required and will be collected by your guide when you arrive in China. A **compulsory gratuity of AUD12 per person per day** can make a big difference to locals employed in the tourism industry.

### Accommodation

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

### Single Supplement

Single supplement is **\$650 per person** in addition to the twin share price.

### Paired Solo Traveler

Not available.

**Group size:** minimum 16 Travellers

### Triple Share

Not available.

### Travel Insurance

Travel insurance is recommended to protect yourself against the unexpected. In addition to the support that a policy may provide, you may be asked to present a copy of your travel insurance documentation while traveling.

We have partnered with NibTravel Insurance to offer our customers competitive rates for their travel insurance. You can book Comprehensive or Essentials cover for your domestic, international or multi-trip journeys simply with us.

### **Visa & Passport information**

It is the traveler's responsibility to ensure they have a valid passport. The passport must be valid for a minimum of six months from the intended date of return and must have more than 2 blank pages.

China has included Australia in its visa waiver program from 1 July 2024 to 31 December 2025.

If you hold an ordinary Australian passport, you can enter China without a visa for no more than 15 days for business, tourism, visiting family and friends or transit. Different rules apply for official and diplomatic passport holders.

Australians intending to travel to China should contact the nearest Chinese embassy/consulate to confirm visa [eligibility](#) and other travel requirements.

If you need a full visa, you must get this before you travel.

A tourist visa for China is a strict requirement if travelling on an Australian Passport. Please note as of today you are required to attend a Chinese Visa Application Service Centre in person to apply for a visa. China Visa Application Service Centres can be found in Sydney, Melbourne, Perth, Adelaide and Brisbane.

You will be able to start your visa application process once you receive your final travel documentation approximately 6 weeks prior to departure.

Important:

- Please start arranging your visa three weeks before departure to account for any delays due to consulate operating hours.
- Visa rules may have changed since Covid-19. Some countries and airlines may require you to obtain an additional visa before arrival. Please check with the nearest embassy, consulate or immigration department of the destination you're entering.
- Asia Vacation Group will not take any responsibility to refund if you are failed your visa by yourselves.

Please note:

- Passengers who are not Australian citizens must also check with the respective consulate or visa agency to determine what their visa requirements are and what personal identification is required.
- It is also important to note that some areas of employment, such as journalism, government authorities and charity organizations, may have additional restrictions in applying for Visas. This may, in turn, affect the type of application required.

Please note that these details are subject to change without notice. We recommend visiting <https://www.smartraveller.gov.au/> for up-to-date information in terms of entry requirements.

### **Tour Documentation**

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

### **Children**

Children is still accepted for this one, however our sales team will limit the number of kids per group due this is a shopping tour. Please check with our sales team before you make a booking with your kids.

### **Tour Length**

The total length of the tour in days includes time spent in flight and is subject to change depending on the flight schedule, please refer to the day-by-day itinerary for the time spent on land.

### **HOW TO EXTEND YOUR STAY**

You can enhance your holiday by arriving or departing before or after the tour. On this tour you can choose from the following options:

#### **Pre Tour Accommodation**

**AU\$190** per room, per night based on double/twin room share

**AU\$140** per vehicle per way

#### **Post Tour Accommodation**

**AU\$130** per room, per night based on double/twin room share

**AU\$130** per vehicle per way



Please select the number of extra nights required in the 'Additional Nights Accommodation' field when making your purchase. The additional cost for these arrangements will be added to your final payment invoice and are subject to availability.

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