

# grand tour of china

*Phil Hoffmann*  
travel

Shanghai, Beijing, Xian & Guilin

SAVE  
**\$250\***  
PER PERSON DEPOSIT BY 31/03/11



personally escorted group tour  
departing 8 October 2011



Personally Escorted  
from Adelaide by  
Deb Machnik

### 24 day group tour

Discover the fascinating history and culture of China's cities, with their traditional hutong streets, and buildings old and new.

Experience another side of China as you cruise the Yangtze River and wander through the quaint towns of Guilin and Lijiang.

Encounter the remarkable ancient wonders of the Terracotta Warriors in Xian, the Great Wall of China and Forbidden City.

Visit bustling Shanghai, cruise past the photogenic limestone cliffs hugging the Li River, and ascend the Jade Dragon Snow Mountain by cable car.

**Day 01, 08 Oct**  
depart Adelaide  
Fly to Shanghai via Singapore with Singapore Airlines.

**Day 02, 09 Oct**  
Arrive Shanghai  
Met on arrival & transfer to hotel.  
**Stay:** Grand Central Hotel (D)

**Day 03, 10 Oct**  
Shanghai  
Visit the Yu Garden, an example of a classical Chinese garden, the Shanghai Museum housing a collection of ancient Chinese art. Cruise across the Huangpu River & ascend the Shanghai World Financial Centre Observatory (100<sup>th</sup> floor) for a view over the whole city.  
**Stay:** Grand Central Hotel (B,L,D)

**Day 04, 11 Oct**  
Shanghai  
Travel to Suzhou, known as the Venice of the East, Visit the Humble Administrators Garden built in the early 16<sup>th</sup> century, followed by a visit to the Embroidery Institute. In the afternoon take a Canal Cruise to enjoy the scenery.  
**Stay:** Grand Central Hotel (B,L,D)

**Day 05, 12 Oct**  
Nanjing

Visit the Master of the Nets Garden and Longpan Park, then travel by train to Nanjing  
**Stay:** Jingling Hotel (B,L,D)

**Day 06, 13 Oct**  
Nanjing  
Visit the 4500m bridge spanning the Yangtze, Sun Yat-sen's Mausoleum, and the Presidential Palace in Nanjing which housed the Office of the President of the Republic of China. Visit the Nanjing Massacre Museum built in memory of the people killed by the Japanese army, followed by a visit to Zhonghua Gate, the south gate of the city. Also visit Nanjing Brocade Research Institute, which reproduces the highlights in the history of silk.  
**Stay:** Jingling Hotel (B,L,D)

**Day 07, 14 Oct**  
Beijing  
Fly to Beijing, enjoy a tour starting with a stroll in Tiananmen Square, then onto the Forbidden City. Have a photo stop at China National Theatre and special Peking Duck dinner completes the day.  
**Stay:** Crowne Plaza (B,L,D)

**Day 08, 15 Oct**  
Beijing  
Visit the Temple of Heaven, set in a huge park, the blue tiled

buildings here represent the epitome of Ming architecture. Enjoy a rickshaw tour of Beijing's old Hutong District. In the evening enjoy an acrobatic performance.  
**Stay:** Crowne Plaza (B,L,D)

**Day 09, 16 Oct**  
Beijing  
Visit the Great Wall of China (Mutianyu section with cable car), originally built over 2000 years ago to keep northern invaders at bay. Lunch at School House.  
**Stay:** Crowne Plaza (B,L,D)

**Day 10, 17 Oct**  
Xian  
Fly to Xian and enjoy an orientation tour of the city. Visit Xian's massive City wall, one of the best preserved in China. Enjoy a traditional Dumpling Banquet.  
**Stay:** Golden Flower Shangri-La Hotel (B,D)

**Day 11, 18 Oct**  
Xian  
Marvel at the excavated Terracotta Warriors and Horses, buried over 2000 years ago, visit Grand Mosque, one of the largest mosques in China. Enjoy the lavish spectacle of the Tang Dynasty Dinner and Show.  
**Stay:** Golden Flower Shangri-La Hotel (B,L,D)



**Day 12, 19 Oct**  
Embark cruise  
Fly to Wuhan and transfer to Yichang to board your luxury Yangtze Cruise ship.  
**Stay:** Victoria Jenna (B,L,D)

**Day 13, 20 Oct**  
Cruising  
Visit the Three Gorges Dam site at Sanduoping, the largest project of this kind in the world. Later sail through the Three Gorges Dam ship locks, and Xiling Gorge, the longest, and the deepest of the Three Gorges.  
**Stay:** Victoria Jenna (B,L,D)

**Day 14, 21 Oct**  
Cruising  
Excursion through the Daning River Small Gorges. Enter Wu Gorge, known for its quiet beauty and forest-covered mountains, then sail through Qutang Gorge, the shortest, narrowest and most dramatic.  
**Stay:** Victoria Jenna (B,L,D)

**Day 15, 22 Oct**  
Cruising  
Shore excursion to Fengdu, visiting either the 'Ghost City', known for its statues of ghosts and devils on Mingshan Hill, or the new relocation village, built for families who have moved as a result of the Yangtze's rising

waters caused by the Three Gorges Dam.  
**Stay:** Victoria Jenna (B,L,D)

**Day 16, 23 Oct**  
Disembark Chongqing  
Travel to Dazu to view some of the finest Buddhist rock carvings in China. In the evening visit the People's Square and the Great Hall of the People in Chongqing.  
**Stay:** J W Marriott (B,L)

**Day 17, 24 Oct**  
Guilin  
Fly to Guilin. Tonight take a night cruise on the lake and view Cormorant Fishing.  
**Stay:** Sheraton Hotel (B,L,D)

**Day 18, 25 Oct**  
Guilin  
Embark on a cruise down the Li River to the river town of Yangshuo. The cruise provides a unique opportunity to view the array of extraordinary peaks which rise side by side along the banks. Later take a walk through the local market.  
**Stay:** Sheraton Hotel (B,L)

**Day 19, 26 Oct**  
Lijiang  
Take a chairlift to the peak of Yaoshan and enjoy a spectacular view of the city's limestone hills and peaks before flying to Lijiang

via Kunming.  
**Stay:** Crowne Plaza (B,L,D)

**Day 20, 27 Oct**  
Lijiang  
A morning visit to the small town of Baisha, where there are several buildings with fascinating murals painted in the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> centuries. Ascend the stunning Jade Dragon Snow Mountain by cable car, visit the 18<sup>th</sup> century Yufeng Lamasery, and the Yuhu Village to see examples of authentic ethnic cultures.  
**Stay:** Crowne Plaza (B,L)

**Day 21, 28 Oct**  
Lijiang  
A morning visit to the Black Dragon Pool Park with its interesting plants, architectural features and stunning mountain backdrop. Afternoon at leisure.  
**Stay:** Grand Park Hotel (B,L)

**Day 22, 29 Oct**  
Kunming  
Fly to Kunming. Enjoy a city orientation tour.  
**Stay:** Grand Park Hotel (B,D)

**Day 23, 30 Oct**  
depart China  
Fly to Adelaide via Singapore

**Day 24, 31 Oct**  
Arrive in Adelaide this morning.

### tour inclusions

- Return economy class flights (from Adelaide<sup>1</sup>) inc taxes
- Internal flights as per itinerary
- Yangtze River Cruise from Yichang to Chongqing
- Extensive sightseeing as per itinerary
- Meals as per itinerary
- Escorted (from Adelaide)
- Services of professional, local guides
- Group transfers at your destinations<sup>2</sup>
- Home to airport transfer<sup>3</sup>
- Pre-departure tour notes, pre-departure function (in Adelaide) and tour booklet
- China visa fees

<sup>1</sup> departures from other capital cities available on application  
<sup>2</sup> when travelling on group flight from Adelaide  
<sup>3</sup> departure transfer within Adelaide metro area only

### tour costs:

twin share was: ~~\$7,090~~  
early bird price: \$6,840  
book by 31st March 2010  
single supplement: \$1,680  
*Prices per person ex Adelaide from*



Carefully selected journeys revealing the heart of a destination with comfort, quality and total peace of mind

#### Phil Hoffmann Travel 'Point of Difference'

PHT Group Tours are a series of proven and traditional itineraries based on our past experiences. They incorporate the most desirable sequence of touring: quality accommodation (usually 4-5 star); and extensive sightseeing with added inclusions.

Personally escorted from Adelaide by a Phil Hoffmann Travel representative, pre-departure travel information, a personal tour booklet and get-togethers with fellow travellers are customary features of these quality tours.

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#### Group tour booking conditions

Not Included on tour: Travel insurance; gratuities & tips (gratuities while cruising, drink waiters, tipping whilst ashore, local guides); items of a personal nature eg drinks, laundry, phone calls, meals other than those indicated, additional sightseeing; optional shore excursions; extensions/stopovers/amendments (if applicable); <sup>1</sup>additional flight cost from other cities, if applicable <sup>2</sup>arrival & departure transfers when not travelling on group flight package; <sup>3</sup>departure transfer outside of Adelaide metropolitan area.

Reservations: A deposit of \$1200 per person is required within 7 days of confirmation of your booking. The balance is due no later than 25 July 2011 if a booking is made after this date, the full tour price is due at the time of confirmation. Prices are subject to change at anytime until full payment has been received and tickets have been issued.

Booking Forms: You are required to complete some forms when booking a group tour which provide essential information we require to process your booking. Your consultant will provide you with all relevant forms. Please ensure you read these booking conditions in conjunction with the Phil Hoffmann Travel 'Schedule of Professionalism' & Imperial China Tours

Baggage: The free baggage allowance on flights is strictly limited to 20kgs per person for economy passengers and 30kgs per person for business class passengers. Hand luggage is restricted to 1 piece per person weighing less than 7kg, Whilst on tour one main bag and 1 piece of hand luggage per person is allowed. Airlines may charge you for baggage in excess of these allowances, which will be at passenger's expense.

Insurance: Insurance is compulsory for cover against loss of deposit and loss of airfares, personal accident, medical cover etc. If you have an ongoing medical condition you may be required to complete a pre-existing medical form. If you are over 70 years of age, you are required to complete a seniors medical form. Your consultant will provide all details.

Medical Advice: It is wise to seek medical advice before travelling as you may require vaccinations for this tour. We recommend seeking advice from a travel specialist doctor, or from your own GP.

Passport & Visas: It is necessary for all passengers to be in possession of a valid passport which has at least 6 months validity beyond your return into Australia. We ask you to provide us with a copy of your passport. A visa is required for this tour, application forms will be provided and the visas will be obtained on your behalf by Phil Hoffmann Travel (additional cost).

Price Alterations: Tour prices specified are based on airfares, taxes and land arrangement tariffs applicable at the time of printing, therefore they may be subject to alteration with or without prior notice until final payment date, as per brochure (final payment date (25 May 2010)).

Minimum Numbers: Group fares quoted for this tour are subject to a minimum 15 paying passengers travelling together. Phil Hoffmann Travel reserve the right to increase the tour price or cancel the tour should the numbers travelling not meet the required minimum. Tour escort travels when minimum numbers of 15 passengers are met. If group numbers are not met, the cruise portion will proceed as independent travel arrangements.

Amendments/changes: A fee of \$100, per amendment will be charged for any reservation changes after your booking is confirmed, unless change increases the value of your booking. This fee is in addition to any charges from airlines, land operators or cruise lines. Bookings are non-transferable. An amendment fee of \$100 per person will apply for any changes to group flight arrangements.

Cancellations: Cancellations of firm bookings will be subject to \$1200 per person service fee plus any charges imposed by principals involved in operating the tour. Therefore, the cancellation fee may be up to the total cost for land and/or airfares. Cancelled bookings are non-transferable.

Children: participants must be over the age of 15.

Refunds/Credits: No refund is available in respect of any sightseeing tours, accommodation, meals or any other services not utilised or required during this tour. No refund is available for cancellations after the tour has commenced. Credit offers cannot be refunded or taken as cash.

Responsibility: Phil Hoffmann Travel reserves the right to alter or omit any part of the itinerary or change of reservation, features and/or means of conveyance without any notice and for any reason whatsoever. Phil Hoffmann Travel does not accept liability for failure on the part of transportation companies, hotel contractors and other principals whose responsibility is confined to their own operations.

Phil Hoffmann Travel reserves the right to alter hotels used should the necessity arise. The transportation companies or firms shall be exempt from all liabilities in respect of any detention, delay, loss, damage, sickness or injury and by whom so ever caused and whatever kind occurring of or to the passenger at any time when the passenger is not on board a conveyance used or operated by the transportation companies or firms. We reserve the right to take any reasonable action should your health, actions or behaviour impinge on the rights, welfare or enjoyment of other passengers. Phil Hoffmann Travel reserve the right to cancel or withdraw any person as a member of the tour at any time.

All ticket coupons and orders are furnished and issued subject in all respects to those terms and conditions under which the means of transportation or other services provided thereby are offered or supplied by the owners, operators, public carriers, management agents or agents.

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