

Scenic China with Yangtze River Cruise

Chengdu, Jiuzhaigou,

YiChang, Chongqing, Beijing



15 Days

\$3299

Including airfare & airport taxes

2017 Sydney Departure: 13May 10Jun, 9Sep 21Oct

**Prices:**

Sydney Departure \$3299/adult; \$3199/child(2-11 years old)
 Land Only: \$3299 (start from Chengdu ends in Beijing)
 Single Room Supplement: Land portion \$600 cruise \$400

Price includes:

International return airfares economy class Airport taxes and fuel surcharges:
 Sydney Departure A\$330(Adult); A\$230(Child)
 Full accommodations at 4 star hotel -5 star cruise on twin sharing basis
 Most of the meals as indicated
 Transfers and sightseeing as per itinerary with entry fee
 English-speaking guide

Price excludes:

Travel insurance
 Chinese visa fee A\$150 (Single Entry Australian Passport Holder)
 Tipping
 (land at \$10 per day per person and cruise RMB150 per person)
 Personal expenses

This tour is based on minimum 20 passengers for departure.



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Airport taxes and fuel surcharges are subject to change without prior notice

Itinerary

Day01 Sydney/Chengdu

Fly with Air China on CA430 (1435/2235) from Sydney to Chengdu, the capital city of Sichuan Province. After clearing immigration and customs, meet your CTS guide and transfer to your hotel.

Hotel: Mercure Chengdu North or similar 4* hotel

Day02 Chengdu/Jiuzhaigou (B/L/D)

After breakfast, transfer to airport for flight CA4481 (955/1050) to Jiuzhaigou. We will visit Huanglong (Yellow Dragon) Scenic Area which is renowned for its unique open karst landscape. The 3.6-kilometer-long pale yellow calcareous deposits are the highlight. Then you will be transferred to your hotel.

Hotel: Mingren Hotel or similar 4* hotel

Day03 Jiuzhaigou (B/L/D)

Today you will have a whole day being enchanted by the beautiful scenery at Jiuzhaigou ("Nine Village Valley"). The remote region was inhabited by various Tibetan and Qiang peoples for centuries. The site was named by UNESCO as a World Heritage site in 1992.

Hotel: Mingren Hotel or similar 4* hotel

Day04 Jiuzhaigou/ Chengdu (B/L/D)

After breakfast, transfer to catch the flight CA4482 (1130/1235) back to Chengdu. In the afternoon, go to the tea house in People's park, to fully enjoy the leisure and cozy life style there, with people sitting together drinking tea, playing cards or mah-jong. Continue to visit Jinli Street, Kuan Alley (Wide Alley), Zhai Alley (Narrow Alley), and Jin Alley. This evening around 7.30pm we suggest you join your guide for an optional fun night out to enjoy Shu Feng Variety Show. Some amazing acts are performed such as the face changing masks, the playing of the erhu, stick puppets, a hand shadow show and the comical bowl rolling act. You will be kept mesmerized from start to finish. Even the puppet does a face changing act! There is also dancing, singing, music and comedy.

Hotel: Mercure Chengdu North or similar 4* hotel

Day05 Chengdu (B/L/D)

Highlight today is the renowned Panda Breeding and Research Centre in Chengdu. The giant pandas are not only a Chinese national treasure but are also beloved by people the world over. In the afternoon visit Sanxingdui Museum

Hotel: Mercure Chengdu North or similar 4* hotel

Day06 Chengdu/Yichang/Cruise (B/D)

Take morning train to Yichang. It is around a 7 hour train trip. You can purchase a lunch box the day before or buy lunch on train. Upon arrival in Yichang, transfer to board your cruise ship after dinner.

Victoria Jenna or similar 5 star cruise

Day07-09 Yangtze River Cruise (B/L/D)

Tour the Three Gorges Dam before commencing your cruise along the Yangtze River. You will pass through spectacular scenery and take shore excursions to explore the tranquil landscapes.

Victoria Jenna or similar 5 star cruise

Day10 Chongqing (B/L/D)

Disembark at Chongqing, we will visit Dazu Stone Carving. It is located in the county of Dazu in Chongqing municipality, about 120 km away from the city center of Chongqing. The carving work began in late Tang Dynasty and saw its hey day in the Song Dynasty. In 1999 it was listed as world cultural heritage by UNESCO.

Hotel: Lafee Plaza or similar 4* hotel

Day11 Chongqing/Beijing (B/L)

After breakfast, visit the old town of Chongqing, Ciqikou. In the afternoon, transfer to airport for flight CA1438 (1600/ 1840) to Beijing. Upon arrival, your tour guide will meet you and transfer to the hotel.

Hotel: Gehua New Century Hotel Beijing or similar 4* hotel

Day12 Beijing (B/L/D)

Today you will visit the Tiananmen Square, the largest city square in the world. From Tiananmen Square enter the Forbidden City. This massive complex was the centre of the Ming and Qing dynasties. With almost 10,000 rooms, this well-preserved imperial palace is the largest in the world. Next we will visit the magnificent Temple of Heaven, a Ming Temple where the Emperors performed annual rites essential for the well being of their land. In the evening, enjoy a delicious Peking Duck Banquet.

Hotel: Gehua New Century Hotel Beijing or similar 4* hotel

Day13 Beijing (B/L)

Today you will experience the splendor of the Great Wall at the Juyongguan section, the pride of China and one of the Seven Wonders of the World. It is an amazing man made structure built over 2000 years ago to protect China from northern invaders. On the way to the Great Wall, you will stop at a jade carving factory where you can watch artisans at work. In the afternoon, enjoy a pedi-cab tour of Hutong - the 'old city' neighborhoods of narrow alleyways and courtyard gardens, experience local life on a family visit. Transfer back to hotel

Hotel: Gehua New Century Hotel Beijing or similar 4* hotel

Day14 Beijing (B/L)

In the morning, tour to the Summer Palace, the largest and best preserved of all imperial palace gardens. Marvel with fascination at the Marble Boat and the ornately painted Long Corridor. You will also have a photo stop at the new icons in Beijing - the 2008 Olympic venues of Bird's Nest & Water Cube. Visit the Pearl Factory afterwards. Transfer to airport in the evening for your midnight flight CA173 (0050/1450.) back to Australia.

Day15 Beijing /sydney(B)

Arrive Sydney in the afternoon at 1450.