

6 YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE (B, L, D)

Depart from Yichang at 7:00AM. Shore excursion to *Three Gorges Dam Site* around 9:00AM, the largest water conservancy project ever undertaken by man and it has been a dream for several generations of Chinese people. Continue sailing through the *Xiling Gorge*, the longest section of the Three Gorges system. **Enjoy a welcome cocktail party hosted by the captain.**



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This morning we will board smaller boats for a trip up to *Lesser Three Gorges* or *Shennong Stream*. Enjoy spectacular views of the surrounding mountains as you pass through the *Wu Gorge*. Continue to the last of the Three Gorges, *Qutang Gorge*.

8 YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE (B,L,D)

Shore excursion to the mysterious Ghost City, *Fengdu*. Go and explore how ancient Chinese people view their death and rebirth in giant carvings and sculpture. **Enjoy a farewell banquet in the evening.**



9 CHONGQING / XI'AN (B, L, D)

Our cruise concludes as we arrive in Chongqing around 9:00AM. Visit the *Panda Zoo* before transferring to the airport for a short late afternoon flight to Xi'an. Check in to **five-star Grand New World Hotel** or similar. <http://www.gdhxian.com/eng/home/main.htm>

10 XI'AN (AB, L, D)

A full day tour recalls the glories of ancient Xi'an, as we visit the burial site of an incredible army of 8,000 lifelike *Terra-cotta soldiers*, *majestic wild Goose Pagoda* and *the ancient City Wall*. **Welcome Dumpling Banquet** hosted by the **VIP from the Tourism Administration of the city government** and **local gardener associations** followed by **Tang Dynasty Culture Show** at night.

11 XI'AN (AB, D)



Whole day visit to the 2011 International Horticultural Expo site. The International Horticultural Exposition is a special exhibition approved by AIPH (International Association of Horticultural Producers). It was held for the first time in Rotterdam, the Netherlands in 1960 and has already had more than 20 expositions. The 2011 World Horticultural Expo is themed as: **"Eternal Peace & Harmony between Nature & Mankind, Nurturing the Future Earth"**, it will be held on a new site in Chanba District, between the airport and the downtown. 105 outdoor gardens having been confirmed for the expo, including 43 from foreign countries and international organizations. (lunch on your own)

12 XI'AN/SHA/ SUZHOU (AB, L, D)

Take flight to Shanghai, then coach to the world famous Garden City of Suzhou. Transfer to **five-star Grand Metro Park Hotel** or similar.

<http://www.metroparkhotels.com/hotel/eng/index.php?hotel=suzhou>



13 SUZHOU / SHANGHAI (AB, L, D)



Today's tour includes *Master's of the Nets Garden*, the Garden covers 5,400 sq. It is among the finest gardens in Suzhou. It is recognized with other classical Suzhou gardens as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. We will visit the *Silk Factory* or *Embroidery Institute*, and then cruise on the famous *Grand Canal*. Afternoon coach back to Shanghai, transfer and check into the **five-star Four Points by Sheraton Shanghai, Daning** or similar.

<http://www.starwoodhotels.com/fourpoints/property/overview/index.html?propertyID=1986>

14 SHANGHAI (AB, L, D)

Today's sightseeing introduces the major attractions of the city, which includes, *Shanghai Botanical Garden*, the extensive grounds, covering 81 hectares (200 acres), are divided into different sections featuring peonies, roses, bamboo, azaleas, maples, osmanthus, magnolias, and orchids. There is also a garden of medicinal plants and a greenhouse dedicated to tropical plants. *Yuyuan Garden* is a famous classical garden located in Anren Jie, Shanghai. The garden was finished in 1577 by a government officer of the Ming Dynasty (1368-1644) named Pan Yunduan. Yu in Chinese means pleasing and satisfying, and this garden was specially built for Pan's parents as a place for them to enjoy a tranquil and happy time in their old age. Then we will visit *the bund*. Enjoy your shopping activity in the afternoon at *Nanjing Road*. **Enjoy Acrobatic Show at night.**



15 SHANGHAI / SFO (AB)

Fly home on board **Air China or United Airlines'** wide body jetliner.

Price Includes:

1. Int'l & China domestic air tickets.
2. All airline fuel surcharges, U.S. & China Government taxes & fees.
3. Hotels, meals, transfers & sightseeing as itinerary indicated.
4. English speaking guide service.
5. Shanghai acrobatic show, Beijing Duck Dinner, Xi'an Dumpling Dinner & Tang Dynasty Culture Show

Price Excludes:

1. China Visa Fee (if applicable)
2. Tips to guides, drivers, porter fees and crew members on the Yangtze River Cruise.
3. Personal expenses.
4. Extra baggage charges.

Remarks:

>Traveler who picks April 18th departure will be able to attend the **opening ceremony of the 2011 International Horticultural Expo.**

> **AB**-American Breakfast **L**--- Lunch **D**---Dinner.

> **Special air add-on is available, only good for Air China's Int'l air connection.**

> **Tour fares for departures are subject to change without notice prior to booking deposit.**

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