

China Highlights

11 DAYS / 10 NIGHTS

Beijing
Xi'an
Chengdu
Chongqing
Shanghai



Experience the very best of China in just 11 days. This thoughtfully designed journey combines rich history, stunning natural landscapes, deep cultural experiences, and close encounters with China's most beloved animals—giant pandas. From walking the ancient paths of the Forbidden City and Great Wall to hiking through the breathtaking Wulong Park, from sipping tea in a local park to making Sichuan dishes on your own, this itinerary offers a perfect mix of discovery and connection. It's a great choice for first-time visitors or families hoping to create unforgettable memories together.

The itinerary above is just a starting point. Your travel advisor will work with you to tailor every detail to match your interests, travel style, and budget.

Days 1–4 – Beijing	Discover historic landmarks like Tian'anmen Square and the Forbidden City, hike the Great Wall, and savor Beijing roast duck
Days 5–6 – Xi'an	Marvel at the Terracotta Army and make your own warrior. Explore the ancient city wall
Days 7–8 – Chengdu	Engage in a Panda Keeper Program, enjoy local snacks and authentic Sichuan opera with massage
Days 9 – Chongqing	Explore Chongqing like a local. Hike at the UNESCO site Wulong Karst Park
Days 10–11 – Shanghai	Stroll along the Bund, ascend Shanghai Tower, visit YuYuan Garden and enjoy leisure time



Why choose China Crossing?

At China Crossing, we believe that the most meaningful parts of a healing journey often come from simple, everyday moments—

*A laugh with someone new.
Steam rising from a bowl of noodles.
Morning light through your window in the mountains.*

Travel with us isn't about rushing or ticking boxes. We design gentle, culture-rich trips across China that help you come back to what really matters.



DAY 1 BEIJING



Welcome to China!

China Crossing team members look forward to see you at the Beijing Capital Airport and help you with hotel check-in



DAY 2

BEIJING



Explore **Tian'anmen Square**, the world's largest city square, before entering the **Forbidden City** – the grand imperial palace that once housed China's emperors. With your private guide, go beyond the typical tourist path to uncover hidden courtyards and quiet corners away from the crowds.

In the afternoon, experience the charm of Beijing's **hutongs** – a maze of narrow alleys and traditional courtyard homes. Hop on a rickshaw for a one-hour ride through these historic neighborhoods, visit a local family's home, and cross the picturesque Silver Ingot Bridge as you learn about the unique lifestyle and architecture of these vanishing communities.

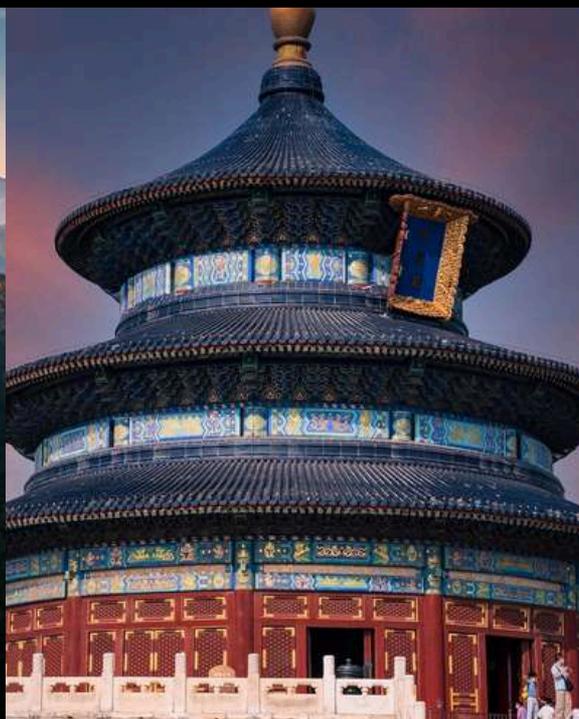
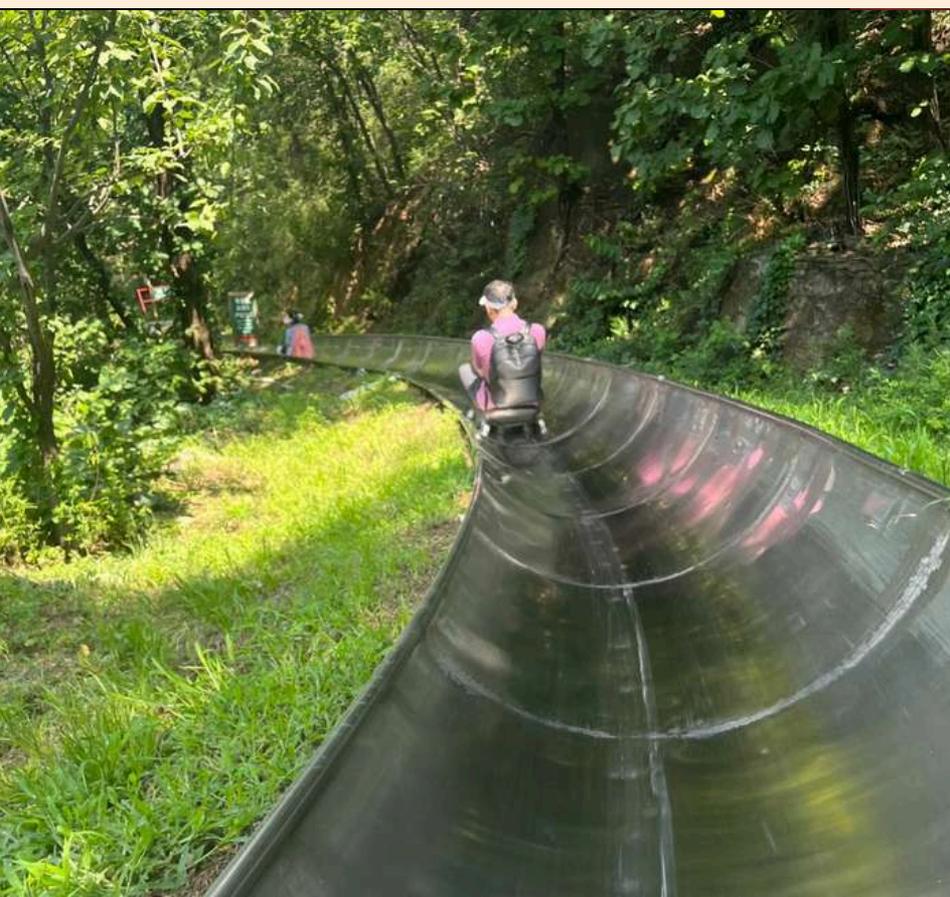


DAY 3

BEIJING

Start your morning at the **Temple of Heaven**, where emperors once prayed for good harvests. Today, it's a vibrant public space – join the locals as they practice tai chi, dance, or play traditional games, and get a glimpse into daily life in Beijing.

Later, head out to the Mutianyu section of the **Great Wall**, known for its breathtaking views and well-preserved structure. Ranked as one of the most scenic and accessible sections. You can opt to experience the thrilling slideway for an exciting descent after exploring the ancient fortifications.





Check out from hotel, and take a peaceful stroll through the **Summer Palace**, a 300-year-old imperial garden filled with lakes, pavilions, and winding corridors. Enjoy a relaxing boat ride on the lake and admire the beautifully painted ceilings along the Long Corridor.

For lunch, savor **Beijing's signature dish – roast duck**. Watch the chef expertly carve the crispy skin and tender meat, and learn how to enjoy it the traditional way.

In the afternoon, your driver will take you to the airport for your flight to Xi'an (~2hours fight). Upon arrival, your local guide will greet you and escort you to your hotel.





DAY 5

XI'AN

Xi'an is a city steeped in history, and nothing captures that better than the **Terracotta Army** – thousands of life-sized warriors, each with unique features, silently guarding Emperor Qin Shi Huang's tomb since 210 BC. Stand face to face with these ancient figures and feel the weight of over two millennia of history.

Afterward, visit a local artisan's home and try crafting a miniature clay warrior yourself – a hands-on way to connect with Xi'an's cultural legacy.

Then head to the **ancient city wall**, built over 600 years ago. Enjoy a walk or bike ride along its ramparts with sweeping views of the city below. End the day in the lively Muslim Quarter, where you can sample bold, flavorful street food and soak up the area's vibrant energy.





DAY 6

XI'AN--CHENGDU

In the morning, check out from hotel and board a **high-speed train** for a comfortable 4-hour ride to Chengdu, the laid-back capital of Sichuan province. In the afternoon, explore **People's Park**, where you'll sip traditional tea, watch locals play mahjong or enjoy ear-picking. And then wandering through ancient brick houses in **Kuanzhai Alleys**

Enjoy an unforgettable evening of **Sichuan Opera**. Sip on a cup tea as you watch a performance featuring face-changing, shadow puppetry, and dazzling music. Between acts, unwind with a relaxing shoulder massage – a unique local tradition that adds to the charm of this immersive cultural night.





In the morning, head to the **Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding** (approx. 30 mins). Wander through the green bamboo forests to observe giant pandas feasting lazily or playing joyfully—their fluffy cubs are especially adorable, melting your heart in an instant.

In the afternoon, drive to the **Sichuan Cuisine Museum** (approx. 1 hour). Explore a traditional kitchen setup and, under the guidance of local chefs, cook classic dishes like Kung Pao Chicken or Mapo Tofu, savoring the flavors while delving into the unique charm of Sichuan culinary culture.





DAY 8

CHENGDU--CHONGQING

Check out from hotel in the morning, and then take the bullet train to **Chongqing** in the morning (~2hours).

Explore downtown Chongqing---**E'ling Park**, originally a private garden from the late Qing Dynasty. Stroll through ancient trees and bamboo groves, and cross the park's iconic S-shaped Stone Rope Bridge.

Then, take a scenic ride on the **Yangtze River Cable Car**, a classic Chongqing experience. As you glide above the water, enjoy sweeping views of the Yangtze River, busy ships below, and the dramatic skyline on both banks.

Wrap up your day at **Hongya Cave**, a vibrant complex of stilted buildings filled with restaurants, shops, and bars. Then, take the river cruise for stunning night view.





DAY 9

CHONGQING

Today we'll head to **Wulong Karst Geological Park** (~3hours drive) Then take a 10-minute eco-shuttle to the park's highlight: the Three Natural Bridges, a UNESCO World Heritage site. These massive sinkholes and stone arches form a dramatic canyon landscape, famously featured in Transformers 4.

Descend 108 meters via a cliffside elevator, then enjoy a 2-hour moderate hike through the lush valley, exploring caves, waterfalls, and towering rock formations along the way. After the hike, return by shuttle and enjoy a simple but satisfying local lunch at a nearby family-run guesthouse—featuring roasted Chongqing-style fish and fresh mountain vegetables.

Finally, drive back to Chongqing in the afternoon, wrapping up your full-day nature escape.



DAY 10 SHANGHAI

Check out from hotel in the morning, then head to airport to Shanghai (~2.5hours flight). After arrived, start your urban exploration: stroll along **the Bund** to feel the clash of history and modernity between the colonial buildings and Lujiazui skyline, climb **the Oriental Pearl Tower** to overlook the Huangpu River from its transparent corridor.

Visiting **Yuyuan Garden** in the afternoon to admire classic Jiangnan gardens—experiencing Shanghai's unique charm in one day, and fully experience the unique charm of Shanghai in one day.



DAY 11

SHANGHAI

Farewell



After breakfast, our team will drive you safely to the Shanghai International airport.

Thank you for joining us! **China Crossing** looks forward to creating next healing journey for your in China!



ACCOMMODATIONS:

HOTELS AND EQUIVALENT GUESTHOUSES

Accommodation is subject to availability, equivalent accommodation will be provided





Beijing

Sunworld Hotel Wangfujing





Chengdu

Sheraton Chengdu Lido Hotel





Shanghai

SSAW Boutique Hotel Shanghai Bund



What's included:

Accommodation

- Carefully selected hotels, or similar boutique guesthouses
- Daily breakfast at hotels

Transportation

- Group airport/train station pickup and drop-off service
- High-speed train (if applicable, the speed is at 250-350km/h)
- Domestic flights (if applicable)

Guided Experiences

- Knowledgeable local guides in English, French, Spanish, or other languages upon request
- Entrance fees to all included attractions
- Cultural activities, or workshops (depending on itinerary)

Support & Services

- 1:1 travel assistance during your trip
- Small-group or private tour flexibility
- Personalized recommendations and insider tips

What's NOT included:

- International airfare
- Lunch and dinner. all-inclusive option is also available upon request
- Personal expenses (souvenirs, snacks, extra activities)
- Tips for guides & drivers (optional but appreciate)



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