

13 Nights 14 Days: Beijing-Pingyao-Xi'an-Luoyang-Chengdu-Guilin-Shanghai

---- From 15 to 28 November, 2025

Day 1 Beijing Arrival 15 Nov 2025, Saturday

Our guide will be holding your name sign and waiting for you at the airport, and then you will be transferred to the hotel. The guide won't leave until you are picked up. Hotel check-in time will be after 2 pm.

Day 2 Beijing 16 Nov, 2025, Sunday (B+L+D)

This morning, we will drive for about 1 hour (53 km) to visit the Ming Tombs, also known as the 'Thirteen Tombs'. It is where 13 out of the 16 emperors of the Ming Dynasty were buried together with their wives and concubines. The **Sacred Way**, literally meaning 'a walk to heaven', is a 7.3-kilometer path lined with impressive stone statues, which leads to the thirteen imperial tombs. The **Chang Tomb**, the largest and most magnificent of them all, showcases the magnificence of early Ming dynasty architecture and is renowned for its excellent preservation.

After lunch, we'll drive about an hour (47 km) to the **Mutianyu Great Wall**. Here, you'll have the chance to climb this iconic structure, renowned as the longest and most impressive defensive wall in the world.



Chang Tomb



Mutianyu Great Wall



Mutianyu Great Wall

Day 3 Beijing -Pingyao 17 Nov, 2025 Monday (B+D)

After breakfast, you will take estimated high-speed train **G625 10:38/14:25** from Beijing to Pingyao. After arrival in Pingyao, you will be transferred to the hotel and have a rest.

Day 4 Pingyao 18 Nov, 2025 Tuesday (B+L+D)

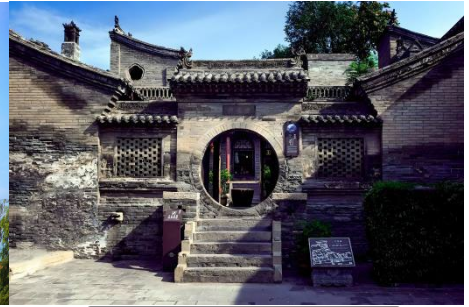
After breakfast, we will go to the **Pingyao Ancient City** which is one of the best-preserved ancient county towns in China, with a history of more than 2,800 years. It has ancient coloured sculptures and well-preserved county offices. It is the birthplace of China's banking industry. The whole city looks like a turtle crawling towards the south, hence the name 'Turtle City'. Today it is still the home of Pingyao people and is a living ancient city!



Pingyao Ancient City



Pingyao Ancient City



Wang Family Courtyard

Day 5 Pingyao - Xi'an 19 Nov, 2025 Wednesday (B+L+D)

After breakfast, we will proceed to **Shuanglin Temple**. Shuanglin Temple is famous for its coloured sculptures, which are known as 'the treasure house of Oriental coloured sculpture art'. Inside the temple, there are now 2052 colourful sculptures (1566 intact statues). The temple is divided into two major parts. The western part is the temple courtyard. The eastern part of the temple is mainly a meditation center and a scripture room.

Then, you will take estimated high-speed train **D1903 14:00/17:14** from Pingyao to Xi'an.



High-speed train



Shuanglin Temple



Shuanglin Temple

Day 6 Xi'an 20 Nov, 2025 Thursday (B+L+D)

After breakfast, your guide in Xi'an will take you to visit the **Ancient City Wall**, fortifications of Xi'an, that has been existing over 600 years. It represents one of the oldest, largest, and best-preserved Chinese city walls. Besides, standing on the old wall, you will must be stunned by the contrast between the past and the present. It is interesting to ride a bike on it.

After lunch, it will take you 1 hour (50 km) to get the **Terracotta Warriors and Horses Museum**. It is the No.8 Wonder in the world. For over 2000 years, thousands of the Terracotta Warriors and the Horses stand silently to guard the tomb of China's first emperor -- Qin Shihuang. Here, you can see not only an array of vivid clay figures but also weapons like crossbows, bronze swords, and spears.



Terracotta Warriors



Ancient City Wall



Ancient CityWall

Day 7 Xi'an – Luoyang 21 Nov, 2025, Friday (B+L+D)

After breakfast, you will take estimated high-speed train **G3172 10:25/11:59** from Xi'an to Luoyang.

In the afternoon, our guide in Luoyang will be holding your name sign and waiting for you at the train station, and then you will be transferred to **Longmen Grottoes**. Construction of the Longmen Grottoes began in 493 and continued for about 400 years until it was completed during the Northern Song Dynasty (960-1127). The scenery area holds over 2,300 holes and niches, 2,800 steles, 40 dagobas, 1,300 caves and 100,000 Buddha statues. The Lushena Buddha in the grotto is 17.14 meters tall and has a compassionate face. No matter what angle you look at him from, he always seems to be watching you with a smile on his face. After that you will be transferred to the hotel and check in after 14:00.



Longmen Grottoes



Longmen Grottoes



Longmen Grottoes

Day8 Luoyang 22 Nov, 2025, Saturday (B+L+D)

After breakfast at hotel, we will drive about 2 hours (80 KM) to visit **Shaolin Temple**, which is reputed to be 'the Number One Temple all over the World'. Shaolin Temple was built in Northern Wei Dynasty (386 - 534), and it is included on UNESCO's World Cultural & Natural Heritage List in 2010. Chinese Zen Buddhism and Shaolin Kung fu originated in the Shaolin Temple. You can still see many monks living here, studying and practicing martial arts now.

Then you will go to visit **Pagoda Forest**, a graveyard for Buddhist dignitaries through the ages. The layer and the shape of a pagoda depend on many factors, such as one's Buddhist status, attainment and prestige during his lifetime. The greater the achievement, the higher the pagoda he lived in after his death. But most of the pagoda is less than 15 meters. The Pagoda Forest here is the largest of China's pagoda complexes.

You will also have a chance to watch the spectacular **Shaolin Kung Fu Show**. Shaolin Kung Fu is one of the most traditional forms of Chinese martial arts. It originated in the Shaolin Temple. It is said that Shaolin Monks once saved the life of a Tang Dynasty emperor. Therefore, Shaolin Kung Fu has a high status in

China. After that you will be transferred to the hotel to have a rest.

Finally, we will head to the **White Horse Temple** which is the first ancient temple in China. It is the first monastery constructed after Buddhism was introduced into China. The existing relics and historic sites of the White Horse Temple date back to the Yuan, Ming, and Qing Dynasties. This temple has a long history and has endured numerous destructions and reconstructions. It serves not only as a sacred place for Buddhism but also as a significant symbol of historical culture.



Shaolin Temple



Pagoda Forest



White Horse Temple

D9 Luoyang - Chengdu 23 Nov, 2025, Sunday (B+L+D)

After breakfast, you will take estimated high-speed train **G1701 13:58/19:32** from Luoyang to Chengdu.

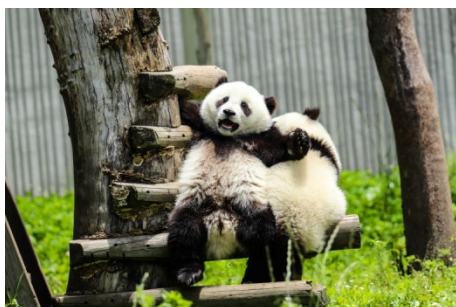
D10 Chengdu 24 Nov, 2025, Monday (B+L+D)

After breakfast we will drive for about half an hour (17 KM) to visit the **Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding**, it is a must-go place when you go to Chengdu. Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding not only takes care of breeding pandas, but also focuses on providing interactive activities that teach people about pandas and their protection. Besides cute giant pandas, there are also red pandas, black swans, and peacocks in the base.

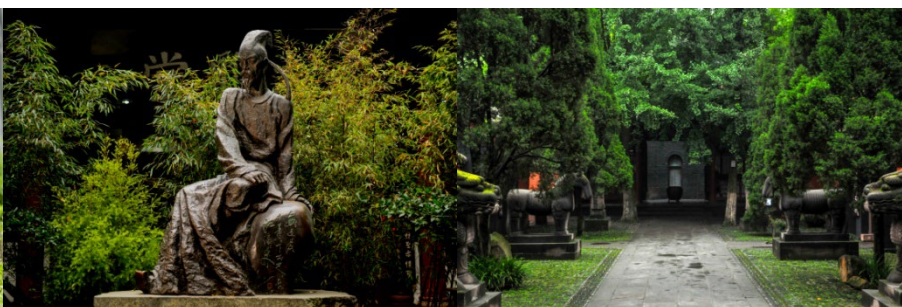
Then you will visit **Du Fu Thatched Cottage**, it used to be the former home of Du Fu, one of the greatest poets in the Tang Dynasty. It's a beautiful structure, restored to look like you've stepped back in time into the 700s. The park also contains various other ancient structures, surrounded by a large, beautiful garden.

Next, you will visit the **Chengdu Wuhou Shrine Museum**. The place was constructed as a temple to commemorate Liu Bei (an emperor in Three Kingdoms), his minister Zhuge Liang and other eminent figures. It is China's only shrine where emperor and ministers are enshrined together. Moreover, it is also the world's most influential Three Kingdoms relics museum.

The last attraction of today is **Jinli Street**. It is one of the oldest shopping streets in Sichuan Province, and it can be traced back to the Three Kingdoms Period, over 1,800 years ago. Buildings from the Ming (1367-1644) and Qing (1644-1911) dynasties can be seen everywhere on this street, giving it a peaceful and classical feeling. It is a special folk-customs commercial street.



Panda Base



Du Fu Thatched Cottage

Wuhou Shrine Museum

D11 Chengdu - Guilin 25 Nov, 2025, Tuesday (B+D)

After breakfast, you will take estimated high-speed train **D1828 10:11/16:42** from Chengdu to Guilin. After arrival in Guilin, you will be transferred to the hotel and have a rest.

Day 12 Guilin 26 Nov, 2025, Wednesday (B+L+D)

After breakfast, we will drive about one hour (about 25km) to get to the pier for a 4 hours' cruising on **Li River** which is 164 kilometers long - the highlight of sightseeing tour in Guilin with lunch aboard. There is a saying that: East to the west, Guilin is the best. In China, everyone would want to visit Guilin—if they had the time and money! You will enjoy the beautiful mountains, verdant fields, farms and villages with water buffalos on both sides of the river bank.

You will then disembark at **Yangshuo**, a small town known for its natural scenery features. Within the city, **Yangshuo West Street** is the oldest street with a history of over 1,400 years. The old buildings such as the Ming city wall, monument inscriptions, ancient temples, ancient pavilions, former residences of famous people and memorial halls are all well preserved. Strolling around at Yangshuo West Street you can see its cobble streets meander along markets crammed with food stalls and shops selling all kinds of Chinese handicrafts. Afterwards, we will drive back to Guilin and get back to your hotel.



Li River



Li River Cruise



Yangshuo West Street

Day 13 Guilin - Shanghai 27 Nov, 2025 Thursday (B+L)

After breakfast, we will head to **Reed Flute Cave** which is a renowned scenic spot famous for its karst cave landscape. Inside the cave, there are a dazzling array of stalagmites, stalactites, stone curtains and other wonderful stalactite formations, which look magnificent under the illumination of gorgeous lights. With a long history and great tourist value, it is hailed as "the Palace of Natural Art" and attracts numerous tourists to come and appreciate this marvelous underground world.

And then we will visit the Elephant Trunk Hill, the city emblem of Guilin. It is shaped like a drinking elephant with its trunk sticking into the water. After lunch, we will take you to the airport/train station to see

you off.

After the visit, you will take estimated flight **MU9020 18:40/20:50** to Shanghai. After arrival in Shanghai, you will be transferred to the hotel and have a rest.



Reed Flute Cave



Elephant Trunk Hill



Elephant Trunk Hill

Day 14 Shanghai 28 Nov, 2025 Friday (B+L+D)

Today, you will first visit the **Jade Buddha Temple**, which is a Song-dynasty-style architecture with precise complex. There are two jade Buddhas, each carved from a whole piece of white jade. In Shanghai, locals believe that if you have a wish and tell the Buddha there, your dream will come true very soon.

Then we will visit the **Yu Garden (closed on Mondays)**, a garden that a government officer specially built for his parents as a place to enjoy their tranquil, happy and retired time. This most celebrated classical Chinese Garden enjoys international fame, and even attracts many heads of state, like former French president Jacques Chirac and former USA president Richard Nixon.

After that we will see the **Shanghai Tower**, which is 632m high. It has the world's highest indoor observation deck at 562m and the world's second-fastest elevators at a top speed of 20.5 meters per second.

Next, your guide will take you to see **the Bund**, a famous waterfront that has been regarded as the symbol of Shanghai for hundreds of years. There are 52 classical buildings of different styles on the Bund, known as the "Expo Group of Universal Architecture", which have witnessed the development of Shanghai's modern history. Every visitor can't help taking pictures here.



Jade Buddha Temple



Yuyuan Garden



The Bund

In the evening, you will be transferred to the airport according to your flight and fly back to your sweet home.

Our service ends here.

B= Breakfast

L= Lunch

D= Dinner