

## Ancient Beijing & Xi'an on Bullet Train - Private tour - 6 Days

Take a Beijing-Xi'an bullet train journey, explore two great ancient capitals in China, Beijing - the imperial residence of emperors in Ming and Qing Dynasties, Xi'an - the home of the Terracotta Warriors and Horses.

| Date | Destinations                            | Attractions, Meals & Transport   |
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| 1    | Day 1 Beijing                           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>airport-hotel transfer in Beijing</li><li>breakfast, lunch</li><li><i>Tian'anmen Square, Forbidden City, a silk gift shop en route, Temple of Heaven</i> The Tian'anmen Square is the world's largest and renowned public square where many historical events once took place. The Forbidden City (UNESCO) is the imperial place where the emperors of the Ming and Qing Dynasties ruled for nearly 500 years (1420-1911). Experience the architectural splendor of the palaces, ceremonial courtyards, and private quarters.</li></ul>  |
| 2    | Day 2 Beijing                           | <p>The Temple of Heaven (UNESCO), where ancient Chinese emperors made sacrifices to Heaven and prayed for bountiful harvests, demonstrates the supreme achievement of traditional Chinese architecture.</p> <p><b>Good to know:</b> Usually the guide service for a full day tour is from about 9:00 to 17:00, and the evening time is on your own. If needed, your guide is happy to offer some tips or help you buy tickets for evening entertainment.</p> <p><b>Ideas for leisure time:</b> If you are interested in Chinese Kung Fu, <b>the Legend of Kung Fu</b> is a good choice for tonight. It is stunning Kung Fu show with a great story line and martial arts skills.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>breakfast, lunch</li><li><i>Great Wall, a cloisonné workshop en route, Summer Palace</i> The Great Wall is one of the most spectacular structures ever built by humans and is the only one visible from space.</li></ul> <p>The Summer Palace (UNESCO) is the largest imperial garden in the world. Emperors of successive dynasties created a summer retreat of Chinese gardens and pavilions, around the tranquil waters of Kunming Lake.</p> |
| 3    | Day 3 Beijing                           | <p><b>Ideas for leisure time:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Enjoy the <b>Peking Duck dinner</b> at time-honored restaurant - Quanjude or Bianyifang. The duck is characteristic with its crispy skin, tender meat and fragrance from the fruit-wood.</li><li>Watch a breathtaking <b>acrobatic show</b> at Chaoyang Theater or Tiandi Theater.</li></ol>   |
| 4    | Day 4 Beijing - Xi'an (by bullet train) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>railway station transfer in Beijing, railway station-hotel transfer in Xi'an</li><li>breakfast</li><li>breakfast, lunch</li><li><i>Museum of Terracotta Warriors and Horses, a ceramic &amp; pottery workshop en route, Big Wild Goose Pagoda</i> The Museum of Terracotta Warriors and Horses (UNESCO) is one of the greatest archaeological discoveries in the world. More than 6000 life-sized terra cotta warriors, archers, infantrymen, horses, and bronze chariots have silently guarded the tomb of China's First Emperor for over 2,200 years.</li></ul>  |
| 5    | Day 5 Xi'an                             | <p>The Big Wild Goose Pagoda, a Tang Dynasty landmark, is a seven-story pagoda initially constructed in 652 AD. One of the pagoda's many functions is to hold sutras and figurines of the Buddha that were brought to China from India by the Buddhist translator and traveler - Xuanzang.</p> <p><b>Ideas for leisure time:</b> Enjoy a tasteful <b>Dumpling Banquet</b> followed by an exquisite traditional <b>Tang Dynasty Show</b>.</p> <p><b>Good to know:</b> If you have an extra day in Xi'an, you could explore the Mount Hua and be amazed of its unique natural beauty. Or to take a day trip to Luoyang by bullet train and visit the Longmen Grottoes, one of the Three Most Famous Buddhist Grottoes in China.</p>  |
| 6    | Day 6 Xi'an - Beijing (by bullet train) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>railway station transfer in Xi'an</li><li>breakfast</li><li><i>Ancient City Wall</i> The Ancient City Wall is one of the oldest city walls in China and still encompasses the center of Xi'an today.</li></ul> <p>Service ends.</p>  |

Tour Includes :

- Private English-speaking tour guide
- Private air-conditioned coach
- Land transfers between airport or railway station and hotel
- Entrance tickets as listed
- Lunches as listed
- Domestic train tickets
- Hotel accommodations with breakfast
- Service charge & government taxes

Tour Excludes :

- International flights with airport tax
- Personal expenses such as laundry, drinks, fax fee, phone bills, optional activities
- Gratuities for guides and drivers
- China Entry Visa
- Travel insurance

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