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China Classic with Jiuzhaigou Valley & Chengdu - 12 Days

This tour highlights the amazing Jiuzhaigou Valley, a great masterpiece of nature. Besides, this tour also covers the top 3 cities in China – Beijing, Xi'an & Shanghai, and gives you a unique chance to visit the Panda Breeding Center in Chengdu.




240-Hour Visa-Free Transit in China













China is implementing a 10-day (240 hours) visa-free transit policy. The transit program allows visitors who have existing flight bookings from China to a third country (region) to snag a visa on arrival at a Chinese airport (port) and stay for 10 days before departure. Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan all count as third destinations.

Passport holders of 55 countries, including the United States and the United Kingdom, can enter visa-free through any of the 60 open airports (ports) in 24 provincial regions, covering popular tourist cities like Beijing, Shanghai, Xi'an, Chengdu and Guangzhou.



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Meanwhile, citizens from 47 countries can [enter China visa-free for up to 30 days](#).

Date	Destinations	Attractions, Meals & Transport
1	Day 1 Beijing	 airport-hotel transfer in Beijing
2	Day 2 Beijing	 breakfast, lunch  Tian'anmen Square, Forbidden City , Temple of Heaven, a silk gift shop en route 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. 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. Good to know: Usually the guide service for a full day tour is about from 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. Ideas for leisure time: If you are interested in Chinese Kung Fu, the Legend of Kung Fu is a good choice for tonight. It is stunning Kung Fu show with a great story line and martial arts skills.

3	Day 3 Beijing	 breakfast, lunch  Great Wall, Summer Palace , a cloisonné workshop en route The Great Wall is one of the most spectacular structures ever built by humans and is the only one visible from space. 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. Ideas for leisure time: 1. Enjoy the Peking Duck dinner at time-honored restaurant - Quanjude or Bianyifang. The duck is characteristic with its crispy skin, tender meat and the fragrance from the fruit-wood. 2. Watch a breathtaking acrobatic show at Chaoyang Theater or Tiandi Theater.
4	Day 4 Beijing – Xi'an (by bullet train)	 hotel - train station transfer in Beijing, train station - hotel transfer in Xi'an  breakfast
5	Day 5 Xi'an	 breakfast, lunch  Museum of Terracotta Warriors and Horses, Big Wild Goose Pagoda, a ceramic & pottery workshop en route 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. 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. Ideas for leisure time: Enjoy a tasteful Dumpling Banquet followed by an exquisite traditional Tang Dynasty Show. Good to know: If you have an extra day in Xi'an, you could explore the Mount Hua and get impressed 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.
6	Day 6 Xi'an - Chengdu (by bullet train)	 railway station transfer in Xi'an, railway station - hotel transfer in Chengdu  breakfast, lunch  Ancient City Wall The Ancient City Wall is one of the oldest city walls in China and still encompasses the center of Xi'an today.
7	Day 7 Chengdu - Jiuzhaigou (by air)	 hotel - airport transfer in Chengdu, airport - hotel transfer in Jiuzhaigou  breakfast, lunch, dinner  Huanglong Scenic Area The Huanglong Scenic Area is well known as "Fairy Land on Earth". Along the valley there scatter colorful ponds with different sizes and shapes.

8	Day 8 Jiuzhaigou	 breakfast, lunch, dinner  Jiuzhaigou Scenic Area The Jiuzhaigou Scenic Area achieves an exceptionally fascinating scenic spot, which consists of primitive ecological environment, lakes, waterfalls, forests, and snow-capped peaks. Take sightseeing public bus to visit Nuorilang Waterfall, Mirror Lake, Flower Lake, Panda Lake, Fangcao Lake, and Pearl beach Waterfall. Lunch at restaurant in the Nuorilang service zone. In the afternoon, Visiting Zechawa Valley, Shuzheng Valley, Miniascape Beach, Flaming flower Lake, Long Lake and Shuzheng Waterfall.
9	Day 9 Jiuzhaigou - Chengdu (by air)	 hotel - airport transfer in Jiuzhaigou, airport transfer in Chengdu  breakfast, lunch  Giant Panda Breeding Research Center, Wuhou Memorial Temple, Jinli Ancient Street The Giant Panda Breeding Research Center is a massive ecological and zoological park offers a wonderful chance to get face-to-face with China's national treasure. There is also a panda museum that has detailed exhibitions on panda evolution, habits, habitats and conservation efforts. The Wuhou Memorial Temple is a complex of pavilions and statues commemorating figures of the Three Kingdoms period (AD 220-80). The Jinli Ancient Street, decorated with tea-houses and boutiques on both sides, used to be one of the busiest commercial streets during the Shu Kingdom. The wooden steles and the brick-walls exhibit the ancient charm of the city.
10	Day 10 Chengdu - Shanghai (by air)	 hotel - airport transfer in Chengdu, airport - hotel transfer in Shanghai  breakfast
11	Day 11 Shanghai	 breakfast, lunch  Yu Garden, Jade Buddha Temple, Shanghai Museum, Bund, a local gift shop en route Owing to its ingenious design in Ming and Qing dynasties, the Yu Garden becomes a real museum of Chinese ancient architecture. The Jade Buddha Temple is famous for its two precious jade Buddha statues brought from Burma, which are not only rare cultural relics but also exquisite artworks. The Shanghai Museum has a collection of 120,000 pieces of Chinese ancient treasures. Optional tour: Top of the Pyramid - The Exhibition of Ancient Egyptian Civilization is on display from July 19th, 2024 to August 17th, 2025. The Bund, featured outstanding European colonial architectures, is full of new skyscrapers and historical buildings in the center of Shanghai. Ideas for leisure time: 1. Acrobatic Shows in Shanghai are known as the best in China. You can never imagine how exciting the show is. 2. Or you could take a Huangpu River Night Cruise which is the perfect way to enjoy the gorgeous night view of Shanghai.

12	Day 12 Shanghai	 hotel - airport transfer in Shanghai  breakfast
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Tour Includes :

- Private tour guide
- Private air-conditioned car or coach
- Land transfers between airport or train station and hotel
- First entrance tickets as listed
- Chinese lunch as listed
- Centrally located hotels with breakfast
- Domestic flight tickets with taxes and train ticket (2nd class seat) as listed
- Service charge & government taxes

Tour Excludes :

- International flight
- Personal expenses such as laundry, drinks, phone bills, optional activities
- Tips for guides and drivers
- China Visa
- Travel insurance

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