



SIC Tour - China Golden Triangle - 9 Days

Discover China's iconic trio—Imperial Beijing, Ancient Xi'an, and Modern Shanghai—on this premium, intimate small group tour with a maximum of only 16 passengers. Featuring guaranteed departures with a minimum of 2 passengers, clear upfront pricing, and hassle-free departures set for the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month, it offers travelers a perfectly structured journey through China's timeless culture and modern wonders.









Guaranteed Departure: Only 2 people are required to run the tour. If only 1 person is confirmed for a specific departure date, we will inform you ahead of time and suggest a new date.

Genuine Small Group: Maximum of 16 guests per group for a comfortable, personalized experience—no large crowds of 30+.

Guaranteed Hotels: Stay in premium 4-star downtown hotels. We provide clear hotel names with no vague descriptions or hidden changes.

Frequent Departures: Departs on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month (except national holidays).

Departure Dates & Prices in USD		
Departure Date	Twin/Double Share	Single Room
July 6	1,360	1,695
July 20	1,360	1,695
Aug 3	1,360	1,695
Aug 17	1,360	1,695
Sept 7	1,360	1,695
Sept 21	1,360	1,695
Oct 19	1,360	1,695
Nov 2	1,360	1,695
Nov 16	1,360	1,695
Dec 7	1,360	1,695
Dec 21	1,360	1,695

Date	Destinations	Attractions, Meals & Transport
1	Day 1: Arrival in Beijing	 airport - hotel transfer
2	Day 2: Beijing	 breakfast, lunch  The Summer Palace (UNESCO), a pearl workshop en route, Mutianyu Great Wall Wander through the world’s largest and best-preserved imperial garden. Originally designed as a royal summer retreat, it features an exquisite collection of classical pavilions and bridges centered around the tranquil Kunming Lake. Visit China’s most famous monument and one of the best-preserved sections of the Great Wall. Known for its stunning watchtowers and beautiful forest scenery, your visit includes a round-way cable car ride for a comfortable and scenic trip up and down.
3	Day 3: Beijing	 breakfast, lunch  Tian’anmen Square, Forbidden City , Temple of Heaven (UNESCO), a tea house en route Stand in the heart of modern China at the world’s largest public square, a site of profound historical significance and grand architectural scale. Walk into or drive through (sedan/minivan) Tian'anmen Square to marvel at its iconic surroundings, including the Monument to the People's Heroes and the Great Hall of the People. Step into the majestic imperial palace where 24 emperors of the Ming and Qing Dynasties ruled for five centuries. Explore the ceremonial courtyards and the exquisite private quarters of the royal family. Note: Closed on Mondays. In case of closure or ticket unavailability, the itinerary adjusts to Jingshan Park for a premier panoramic view overlooking the entire Forbidden City. Discover the Temple of Heaven, a timeless masterpiece of traditional Chinese imperial architecture. For centuries, ancient emperors held grand solemn rituals here to worship heaven and pray for favorable weather and abundant harvests. Admire its exquisite layout, profound cultural connotations and classic imperial architectural charm that embody ancient Chinese cosmology and ritual traditions
4	Day 4: Beijing - Xi'an (by bullet train)	 train station transfer in Beijing, train station - hotel transfer in Xi'an  breakfast, lunch  Lama Temple The Lama Temple has a reputation of the largest and best-preserved Tibetan Buddhist Lamasery in Beijing. The building and artwork of the lama Temple is a combination of Han and Tibetan styles.

5	Day 5: Xi'an	 breakfast, lunch  Museum of Terracotta Warriors and Horses (UNESCO), 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.
6	Day 6: Xi'an - Shanghai (by air)	 airport transfer in Xi'an, airport - hotel transfer in Shanghai  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: Shanghai	 breakfast  Discover the City at Leisure: No guided services or structured meals are scheduled today, giving you total flexibility to shop, sightsee, or relax .
8	Day 8: Shanghai	 breakfast, lunch  Bund, Jade Buddha Temple, City God Temple, Nanjing Road, Shanghai Old Town The Bund, featured outstanding European colonial architectures, is full of new skyscrapers and historical buildings in the center of Shanghai. 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 City God Temple, also known as the Yu Garden Market, is famous for its century-old stores featuring traditional arts and crafts. The Nanjing Road, a must-see metropolitan destination attracting thousands of fashion-seeking shoppers from all over the world, is a top prosperous center of Shanghai. Step back in time and experience the historical heart of the city at Shanghai Old Town, where classic Jiangnan-style architecture and bustling street markets offer a fascinating contrast to the city's futuristic skyscrapers. Anchored by the 16th-century Yu Garden and the lively bazaar surrounding the City God Temple, this vibrant district allows you to wander through labyrinthine alleys lined with traditional gray-brick buildings, cross the iconic Nine-Turn Bridge, and sample world-famous local delicacies like Xiaolongbao (soup dumplings) at historic eateries.
9	Day 9: Shanghai - Departure	 hotel - airport transfer  breakfast

Notes

Deadline: Book at least 20 days before arriving in China. Please send us all passenger names, passport numbers, room choices, and itineraries before this date.

Shared Tour & Guiding: Travelers with different tour packages on the same date may share the same bus and guide. All main sights are fully guaranteed, but the daily order of the itinerary may change to make the trip run smoothly for everyone.

Flight Notice: The departure dates are **Mondays**, which is **Day 1 (your arrival day)**. Please book your flight to land in Beijing on or before these dates.

Destinations	Hotels
Beijing	Xinqiao Hotel 新桥酒店 (or similar)
Xi'an	Titan Times Hotel 钛时代酒店 (or similar)
Shanghai	Ocean Hotel 海洋酒店 (or similar)

Tour Includes :

- Accommodation in double/triple/single rooms in the indicated hotels
- Chinese lunches at local restaurants as indicated in the itinerary
- One glass of soft drink or local beer per person for each mentioned meal
- All transfers to/from the airport in each destination and all included sightseeing
- All first entrance fees to the mentioned tourist sites
- All domestic flights in economy class and airport taxes as indicated in the itinerary
- All domestic trains in second class as indicated in the itinerary
- An English-speaking local guide/assistant in the travel destinations

Tour Excludes :

- All other meals and all other beverages not mentioned
- Transfers outside the allotment dates;
- Tips
- Tips for pre-tours or post-base-trip extensions
- Evening shows in China and other optional visits
- Medical + baggage insurance
- China Visa
- All personal expenses and anything not specifically listed under "Inclusions"

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