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Hello Beijing - Group Tour 2017 - 5 Days

This 5-day Beijing group tour covers top attractions in the ancient city, such as the Temple of Heaven, the Forbidden City, the Great Wall, and the Summer Palace, etc. Besides, several optional tours to Beijing's nearby cities are available too.

Date	Destinations	Attractions, Meals & Transport
1	Day 1 Arrive Beijing	airport-hotel transfer in Beijing
2	Day 2 Beijing	breakfast, lunch **Tian'anmen Square, Forbidden City (UNESCO), The Summer Palace (UNESCO), optional program** 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. Constructed from 1406 at the very centre of Beijing, the Palace Museum is more widely known as the Forbidden City. Previously home to 24 different emperors, it is the largest palace complex in the world at approximately 720,000 square metres. 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. This Qing Dynasty (1636-1912) imperial palace and garden (1636-1912) is the largest and best-preserved imperial garden in China. Modelled on the West Lake in Hangzhou and borrowing design techniques and artistic ideas from the gardens of Jiangnan south of the Yangtze River, this landscaped park offers the perfect summer retreat. Optional program: Kung Fu Show with Peking Duck dinner (USD 60 per person)
3	Day 3 Beijing	breakfast, lunch **The Great Wall (UNESCO), Bird's Nest & Water Cube, a jade stone workshop en route** The Great Wall is the largest ancient defensive project ever undertaken in China and even the world. Built continuously over 2,000 years starting in the Western Zhou Dynasty (1046-771 BC), the Great Wall now snakes its way across vast areas of northern and central China and has a total length of more than 20,000 km. The wall is a physical illustration of the Chinese philosophy of defending and tolerating rather than expanding and invading. Take an outside tour to the Olympic Stadium, nicknamed Bird's Nest, and the National Swimming Centre, also known as the Water Cube.

4	Day 4 Beijing	breakfast, lunch **Temple of Heaven (UNESCO), Beijing Hutongs & Rickshaw Tour, a pearl workshop en route** Completed in 1420, the Temple of Heaven is the largest complex of sacrificial buildings in China that still stands to this day. The temple was visited by Ming (1368-1644) and Qing (1636-1912) emperors on an annual basis to pray to the heavens for a good harvest. The subtle employment of acoustic principles used in the construction of the Echo Wall, Triple Sound Stone and Dialogue Stone reflects the advanced architectural technology in use in ancient China. Dive into the heart of old Beijing with a visit to the Hutongs—a maze of historic, narrow alleys lined with traditional courtyard houses. To experience this vibrant neighborhood like a local, you will take a traditional rickshaw tour. Sit back and relax as your driver wheels you through the lively lanes, passing by local markets, ancient doorways, and hidden gardens. It is a wonderful, nostalgic journey that offers an intimate look at the city's traditional lifestyle away from the modern skyscrapers.
5	Day 5 Depart Beijing	hotel-airport transfer in Beijing breakfast Service ends.

Tour Dates:
Fixed departures based on minimum of 2 travelers

5 Apr. 2017
19 Apr. 2017
3 May 2017
17 May 2017
31 May.2017
14 Jun. 2017
28 Jun. 2017
12 Jul. 2017
26 Jul. 2017
9 Aug. 2017
23 Aug. 2017
6 Sep. 2017
20 Sep. 2017
11 Oct. 2017
18 Oct. 2017
1 Nov. 2017
15 Nov. 2017
29 Nov. 2017
24.Jan. 2018
28 Feb. 2018
7 Mar. 2018
21 Mar. 2018

Accommodation:
The Presidential Beijing

Tour Includes :

-- English-speaking guide
-- Air-conditioned coach or van
-- Land transfers between airport and hotel.
-- Entrance tickets as listed
-- Chinese lunch as listed
-- Hotels with daily breakfast
-- Service charge & government taxes

Tour Excludes :

-- Flight or train ticket
-- Personal expenses such as laundry, drinks, phone bills, optional activities
-- Tips for guides and drivers (Suggested tipping amount per person per day: USD 5-7 for the guide and USD 3-5 for the driver)
-- Chinese Visa
-- Travel insurance

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