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Southern Xinjiang in Apricot Blossom Season - 10 Days

During the apricot blossom season in April, explore Southern Xinjiang with stops in Kashgar, Tashkurgan, Aksu, Kuqa, Korla, and Urumqi. Experience Uyghur culture, highland landscapes, fruity delights, and desert oases. This trip promises unforgettable memories.

Date	Destinations	Attractions, Meals & Transport
1	Day 1 Kashgar	airport-hotel transfer in Kashgar
2	Day 2 Kashgar	breakfast, lunch **Old Town of Kashgar, Id Kah Mosque , Fragrant Concubine Garden** Kashgar Old Town, located in Xinjiang, China, is a historic and cultural gem that dates back over 2,000 years. Known as one of the best-preserved traditional Islamic cities in the world, Kashgar Old Town is a captivating destination for travelers seeking to immerse themselves in ancient Silk Road history and experience a unique blend of Uyghur culture. The Id Kah Mosque is reputed to be the largest mosque in China. It highlights a group of old Islamic constructions with strong ethnic style and religious features. The Fragrant Concubine's Tomb, located in Kashgar, Xinjiang, is a historical site associated with the legendary story of a Uyghur princess. Visitors can explore the tomb and learn about the fascinating tale of love and tragedy behind it. The site offers a glimpse into the rich history and cultural heritage of the region, making it a must-visit for history enthusiasts and those interested in folklore.
3	Day 3 Kashgar - Tashkorghan (by automobile)	Private transfer from Kashgar to Tashkorghan breakfast, lunch **Karakuli Lake, White Sand Lake** The Karakuli Lake is a must- go place in Kashgar. Drive through the Karakurum Highway to have a good sight of the beautiful snow-capped mountains and the lake. White Sand Lake is near Kashgar, which is a peaceful oasis with clear waters and sandy beaches. Perfect for relaxation and water activities, surrounded by picturesque mountains.

4	Day 4 Tashkorghan - Shache (by automobile)	Privat transfer from Tashkorgan to Shache breakfast, lunch **Pamir Plateau, Muz Tagh Peak, Panlong ancient road, Tasha Road, The Stone City Ruins, The Golden Grassland** Explore the Pamir Plateau in Xinjiang, China, known for its stunning scenery, diverse cultures, and rich history. Majestic mountains, vibrant cultures, outdoor adventures, historical sites, and warm hospitality await. Plan your journey and experience the charm of the Pamir Plateau. Muztagh Ata, located on the Pamir Plateau in Xinjiang, is a magnificent snow-capped peak reaching 7,546 meters high. Ideal for climbing and photography, with rich cultural experiences nearby. Welcome to Muztagh Ata and explore this mysterious and beautiful land. Xinjiang's Ancient Panlong Road, part of the ancient Silk Road, crosses snowy mountains, grasslands, and deserts in western Xinjiang, offering stunning scenery. Travelers can explore the ancient trade route, experience history, and enjoy Xinjiang's unique culture and natural beauty. It's a journey full of historical and cultural charm. Xinjiang Tasha Ancient Road is an ancient trade route that connects China with Central Asia. This historic road winds through the majestic mountains, stunning valleys, and picturesque landscapes of Xinjiang. Travelers can embark on a journey along the Tashkurgan Ancient Road to explore its cultural heritage, historical significance, and breathtaking natural beauty. Immerse yourself in the rich history and diverse culture of this remarkable region through this unforgettable travel experience. The Stone City Ruins, located in Tashkurgan Tajik Autonomous County in southwestern Xinjiang, China, date back to the Jin and Tang dynasties. The ruins include city walls, gates, temples, residential areas, and Qing Dynasty government buildings. The city walls, built with stone blocks or adobe, have a perimeter of 1285 meters and cover an area of 107,000 square meters. The Golden Grassland near Tashkurgan Tajik Autonomous County in Kashgar, Xinjiang, is a picturesque wetland area with a river, surrounded by mountains and colorful forests. The golden grasslands shimmer in the sunlight, with Mongolian yurts and herdsmen adding to the scenic beauty.

5	Day 5 Shache - Aksu (by automobile)	Private transfer from Shache to Aksu breakfast, lunch **Ye’ erqianghan Mausoleum, Heritage Expo Park of Shache** The Yarkant County King's Mausoleum, located in Shache County, Xinjiang, is an important ancient tomb showcasing the history of the Uygur kingdom. Visitors can admire its architecture and historical significance while enjoying the serene surroundings of the beautiful gardens. It offers a unique and memorable cultural experience. Located in Shache County, Kashgar Prefecture, Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region, the Heritage Expo Park of Shache is an important site showcasing the local cultural heritage and history. This park features ancient architecture, cultural relics, traditional crafts, and more, allowing visitors to explore the region's long history and unique culture. Visitors can tour ancient buildings, appreciate traditional handicrafts, and learn about local historical legends. The park offers a beautiful environment and pleasant scenery, making it a perfect place for relaxation and immersing oneself in a rich historical atmosphere. A visit to the Heritage Expo Park of Shache promises an educational and culturally enriching travel experience.
6	Day 6 Aksu - Kuqa (by automobile)	Private transfer from Asku to Kuqa breakfast, lunch **Kizil Thousand Buddha Caves, Wensu Grand Canyon** The Kizil Thousand Buddha Caves is one of the best preserved caves in Xinjiang. It was built around 3rd century AD, and left about 265 caves today. Kuqa Wensu Grand Canyon is located in Kuqa County, Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region, and is a charming natural landscape. The Grand Canyon is known for its steep canyon terrain, clear streams, and ancient vegetation. Visitors can hike along the canyon, admire the spectacular rock formations, and diverse vegetation. Here, you can experience the grandeur and magnificence of nature, enjoy the fresh air, and tranquil environment. Kuqa Wensu Grand Canyon is an ideal place for outdoor adventures and a paradise for photography enthusiasts. When you visit, you will experience unique natural scenery and a vibrant travel experience.
7	Day 7 Kuqa	breakfast, lunch **Keziliya Grand Canyon , Subashi Temple** Tianshan Grand Canyon, also known as Keziliya Grand Canyon, is a natural wonder located 48 kilometers from Urumqi City. It features lakes, canyons, grasslands, snowy mountains, and an ancient spruce forest. Visitors can experience nomadic life, enjoy activities like boating and hiking, and explore scenic spots such as Tianshui Lake, Green Dragon Bay, and Swan Lake. Subash Buddhist Temple Ruins, also known as Jiasi Daban Monastery, are located 20 kilometers northeast of Kuqa City in Aksu Prefecture, Xinjiang, China. Dating back to the Wei and Jin Dynasties, this site includes a Buddhist pagoda surrounded by temples, caves, halls, and monks' quarters. Well-preserved and split by a river, the ruins are mainly concentrated in the West Temple area.

8	Day 8 Kuqa - Luntai - Korla (by automobile)	Private transfer Kuqa - Luntai - Korla breakfast, lunch **Tarim Popular National Forest Park** Tarim Populus Euphratica Forest National Park, located in Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region, is famous for its ancient and mysterious Populus Euphratica forest. Visitors can enjoy the majestic trees and unique desert landscapes, making it a great place for nature photography and exploration. A visit to the park offers a chance to appreciate the wonders of nature and create lasting memories of the desert's magical vitality.
9	Day 9 Korla - Urumqi (by air)	hotel-airport transfer in Korla, airport-hotel transfer in Urumqi breakfast, lunch **Heavenly Lake** The Heavenly Lake is surrounded by the vastness of mountains and alpine meadows with an elevation of 2000 meters above sea level.
10	Day 10 Urumqi	hotel-airport transfer in Urumqi breakfast **Urumqi International Grand Bazaar** Urumqi's International Grand Bazaar is a lively market showcasing Uyghur culture. Visitors can explore colorful stalls selling traditional crafts, spices, and textiles, sample local delicacies, and shop for unique souvenirs. It's a must-visit for an authentic Xinjiang experience.

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