

Tours For ICCA Global Venues Experts Forum 6 – 7 December 2024



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About China Star

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China Star Team Over China

Founded in 2003, China Star is a leading Professional Conference Organizer and Destination Management Company. Embracing a strategy of localization, internationalization, and specialization, China Star is dedicated to establishing a unique MICE (meetings, incentives, conferences, and events) brand for China. After 20 years of dedicated effort, China Star has gained recognition both domestically and internationally, becoming a prominent symbol of China's meetings and incentive travel industry.

Today, China Star is one of the few Chinese native companies actively engaged on the international stage of the incentive travel and meetings industry. With three SITE members on its team, China Star is a corporate member of ICCA and IAPCO and a founding member of the World PCO Alliance. Committed to continuous learning, China Star has effectively applied international knowledge to enhance its performance in China.

Pre and Post Tours Recommendation

As one of the most important tourist cities in China, Beijing possesses various scenic sites for visitors to savor. World heritage sites such as the Great Wall, the Forbidden City and the Summer Palace, modern architectures such as the Bird Nest and the Water Cube, the Vernacular Dwelling Hutong, no matter which type of attractions you are interested, you can spend a leisure time by losing yourself in this charming city. China Star has prepared the following optional tours for your reference.

No.	Day Tour Description	
1	Full day visit to Hutong, Lama Temple, and the Summer Palace with local lunch	
2	Full day visit to Temple of Heaven, Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City with local lunch	
3	Full day visit to Mutianyu Great Wall with local lunch	
4	Full day learn to make dumplings with local lunch and Chinese Opera Facial Experience	



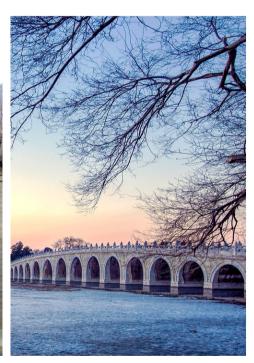


Day Tour Option 1 - Beijing City Tour

09:30-10:30	Pick up at CNCC Transfer to Lama Temple Visit Lama Temple Transfer to Hutong area
	Visit Hutong area (rickshaw along the lake and local family visit)
11:40-13:00	Lunch at Nanmen Hot Pot
13:00-13:15	Walk to the Drum Tower through Yandai Alley
13:15-13:30	Visit the Drum Tower
13:30-14:00	Transfer to the Summer Palace
14:00-16:30	Visit the Summer Palace (incl.boat ride)
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Lama Temple Hutong Summer Palace



Day Tour Option 2 - Beijing Highlights

09:00	Pick up at CNCC
09:00-09:30	Transfer to Temple of Heaven
09:30-11:30	Visit Temple of Heaven
11:30-11:40	Walk to restaurant
11:40-13:00	Lunch at Dawanju Restaurant
13:00-13:30	Transfer to Tiananmen Square
13:30-14:30	Visit Tiananmen Square
14:30-16:30	Visit the Forbidden City
16:30-17:00	Transfer back to hotel







Temple of Heaven

Tiananmen Square

Forbidden City

Day Tour Option 3 - Great Wall Tour

09:00 Pick up at CNCC

09:00-10:30 Transfer to the Mutianyu Great Wall

10:30-11:30 Visit Mutianyu Great Wall (Incl. cable car)

11:30-12:00 Transfer to restaurant

12:00-14:00 Lunch at School House Restaurant

14:00-15:30 Transfer back to hotel





Great Wall



Day Tour Option 4 - Fun Workshop (Dumplings & Peking Opera)

09:00	Pick up at CNCC
09:00-09:30	Transfer to Hutong
09:30-10:30	Take a rickshaw riding to visit Hutong area
10:30-12:30	Learn to make dumplings
12:30-13:30	Dumpling Lunch
13:30-13:45	Walk to Hutong Traditional Culture Center
13:45-14:00	Orientation of Peking Opera
14:00-14:45	Learn Peking Opera Mask painting
14:45-15:00	Take pictures
15:00-16:30	Free shopping time at Yandaixiejie Street
16:30-17:00	Transfer back to hotel







Learn to make Chinese Dumplings

Peking Opera Mask

Mask painting

Pre and Post Tours - Beijing, Xi'an and Shanghai

Beijing - Xi'an - Shanghai/Shanghai - Xi'an - Beijing

D1 Beijing -Xian by High-speed Train

Take a morning High-Speed train to Xi'an, in the afternoon, visit the City Wall and the Great Mosque incl. the bazaar, dinner at Defachang Dumpling Restaurant, strolling along the night food street to experience the local people's night life

D2 Xi'an

Morning visit Terracotta Warriors (1.5 hour drive), lunch of famous local flavor – Pita Bread Soaked in Mutton Soup, afternoon visit Big Wild Goose Pagoda Evening free walking at Tang Dynasty Everbright City

D3 Xi'an -Shanghai by flight

Fly to Shanghai by morning flight, in the afternoon visit Shanghai's Urban Planning Exhibition Center, Nanjing Road, the Bund Evening boat trip on Huangpu River

D4 Shanghai

Morning visit Yu Garden and Old Town, after lunch, visit Shanghai World Financial Center

D5 Departure from Shanghai



Pre and Post Tours - Beijing, Guilin and Shanghai

Beijing - Guilin - Shanghai/Shanghai - Guilin - Beijing

D1 Beijing -Guilin by flight

Take a morning flight to Guilin, lunch on board, afternoon visit the Reed Flute Cave

D2 Guilin - Yangshuo - Guilin

Morning transfer to the pier for the Li River cruise to Yangshuo (about 5 hours), , lunch on board, afternoon some free time in the famous West Street in Yangshuo, and then enjoy Yulong River Bamboo rafting, in the late afternoon transfer back to Guilin

D3 Guilin - Longsheng - Guilin

Transfer to Dragon's Backbone Rice Terraces about 80 km from Guilin, lunch in Pingan village at Dragon Backbone, enjoy the beautiful nature and the villagers of Zhuang minority group, do some hiking and interaction with villagers, transfer back to hotel.

D4 Guilin - Shanghai by flight

Fly to Shanghai by morning flight, in the afternoon visit Shanghai's Urban Planning Exhibition Center, Nanjing Road, the Bund Evening boat trip on Huangpu River

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Morning visit Yu Garden and Old Town, after lunch, visit Shanghai World Financial Center

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Description Attractions in Beijing

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Lama Temple

Lama Temple, is a renowned Tibetan Buddhist monastery located in Beijing. Established in 1694, this architectural marvel combines traditional Han and Tibetan styles, featuring stunning golden roofs and intricate carvings. The temple is celebrated for its impressive 18-meter-tall Maitreya Buddha statue, crafted from sandalwood. As a major cultural and spiritual site, Lama Temple offers a serene escape from the city's hustle, inviting visitors to explore its tranquil courtyards, beautiful gardens, and rich religious heritage. It's a must-visit for those seeking insight into Tibetan Buddhism and traditional Chinese architecture.



Hutong

Beijing's hutongs are charming alleys that weave through the city's historic heart, offering a vivid glimpse into traditional life. These narrow streets, lined with quaint courtyards and classic siheyuan (courtyard houses), preserve the essence of old Beijing. Wandering through a hutong reveals a rich tapestry of local culture, from bustling markets to family-run eateries. Each turn unveils stories of past generations and unique architectural features. Embrace the nostalgia and warmth of these ancient lanes to truly connect with Beijing's heritage and daily rhythms.



Summer Palace

The Summer Palace in Beijing is a masterpiece of imperial garden design, renowned for its breathtaking landscapes and historical significance. Spanning 2.9 square kilometers, it features the serene Kunming Lake, the majestic Longevity Hill, and a collection of exquisite pavilions and temples. Originally a royal retreat, it offers a perfect blend of natural beauty and architectural splendor. As a UNESCO World Heritage site, the Summer Palace provides visitors with a glimpse into China's regal past and a tranquil escape amidst its lush gardens and reflective waters.



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Attractions in Beijing

Temple of Heaven

The Temple of Heaven, is an exquisite example of ancient Chinese architectural mastery and spiritual harmony. Built in the early 15th century, this iconic complex was once the site where emperors of the Ming and Qing dynasties performed solemn ceremonies to pray for good harvests. The temple's circular design symbolizes heaven, while its lush surrounding park offers a serene escape from the city. As a UNESCO World Heritage site, the Temple of Heaven invites visitors to experience its majestic beauty and profound cultural significance, reflecting China's rich historical and spiritual traditions.



Tiananmen Square

Tiananmen Square, the heart of Beijing, is one of the world's largest public squares and a symbol of China's historical and political significance. Flanked by the iconic Tiananmen Gate, the majestic Monument to the People's Heroes, and the grand National Museum of China, the square is a vibrant center of national pride. Its expansive grounds have witnessed pivotal moments in Chinese history, from revolutionary events to contemporary celebrations. Visitors can experience its profound historical importance while enjoying its stunning architectural features and panoramic views.



Forbidden City

The Forbidden City, nestled in Beijing's center, stands as the largest and most intact ancient palace complex globally. For nearly 500 years, it served as the imperial residence for 24 emperors of the Ming and Qing dynasties. Today, it captivates visitors with its grand architecture, sprawling courtyards, and intricate artifacts. As a UNESCO World Heritage site, it offers an unparalleled glimpse into China's imperial past, showcasing a wealth of cultural treasures and historical grandeur. Explore its majestic halls and serene gardens to experience the essence of China's royal legacy.



Attractions in Beijing

Mutianyu Great Wall

Mutianyu Great Wall, located just outside Beijing, is a stunning section of the iconic structure, known for its breathtaking scenery and well-preserved state. Stretching over 2.5 kilometers, it features watchtowers and ramparts that offer panoramic views of the surrounding mountains. Less crowded than other sections, Mutianyu provides a serene and immersive experience, allowing visitors to explore its ancient stone walls and enjoy the natural beauty of the rolling landscape. Whether hiking or taking the cable car, a visit to Mutianyu is a memorable journey through China's rich historical heritage.



Chinese Dumplings

Chinese dumplings, or *jiaozi*, are a beloved culinary tradition steeped in history and flavor. Each dumpling is a delicate parcel of minced meat and finely chopped vegetables encased in a soft, chewy dough wrapper. Steamed, boiled, or pan-fried, these bite-sized delights offer a taste of authentic Chinese home cooking. Perfect for sharing with family and friends, they bring a touch of warmth and joy to every meal. Savor the rich, savory filling and the harmonious blend of spices in every bite, and experience a true taste of China's rich gastronomic heritage.



Peking Opera

Peking Opera, a jewel of Chinese traditional performing arts, blends music, dance, and acrobatics to create a captivating spectacle. Renowned for its vibrant face paint, intricate costumes, and expressive performances, it brings historical stories and classic dramas to life. From the elegance of "Dream of the Red Chamber" to the heroism of "The Battle of Changban," Peking Opera is not just a performance but a symbol of Chinese culture. Its powerful vocals and graceful movements immerse audiences in a rich artistic heritage that continues to enchant and inspire.



Attractions in Beijing

Peking Opera Mask Painting

In Chinese Peking opera, face painting is an interesting part. Peking Opera has more than two hundred years of history behind its name and is the national opera of China. It is popular among Chinese and people of other nationalities alike for its dramatic presentation of Chinese culture and history. Traditional face painting plays an important role in Peking Opera. It is used as a means to denote characters. For instance, a red face usually depicts the individual valor, integrity and loyalty; a white face illustrates the figure's wickedness, deceitfulness and cunning; a green face reveals surly obstinacy, rashness and lack of self-control. In addition, the pattern of the facial painting tells a lot about the character



Description Attractions in Xi'an

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The City Wall

Xi'an City Wall, one of the best-preserved ancient city fortifications in China, stands as a majestic testament to the Tang Dynasty's grandeur. Encircling the heart of Xi'an, the wall stretches 13.7 kilometers, offering a panoramic view of the city's vibrant past and present. Built in the 14th century, it features imposing battlements and a wide moat, reflecting the architectural brilliance of its era. Today, it invites visitors to stroll along its historic ramparts and experience the rich heritage of this ancient capital.



The Great Mosque

The Great Mosque of Xi'an, a stunning gem of Islamic architecture, stands as a testament to centuries of cultural exchange. Located in the heart of Xi'an's Muslim Quarter, this historic mosque, built in the Tang Dynasty, seamlessly blends traditional Chinese architectural elements with Islamic design. Its serene courtyards, intricate calligraphy, and grand prayer hall reflect a rich heritage and harmonious integration of East and West. A visit to this mosque offers a profound glimpse into the historical interactions between Chinese and Islamic civilizations.



Terracotta Warriors

The Terracotta Warriors, an extraordinary archaeological marvel in Xi'an, China, date back to the 3rd century BCE. Discovered in 1974, this vast army of life-sized statues was buried with China's first Emperor, Qin Shi Huang, to guard him in the afterlife. Each figure, meticulously crafted and unique, showcases the grandeur and artistry of ancient Chinese craftsmanship. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, the Terracotta Warriors offer a captivating glimpse into China's imperial history and the impressive military might of the Qin Dynasty.



Attractions in Xi'an

Big Wild Goose Pagoda

The Big Wild Goose Pagoda in Xi'an, a majestic symbol of ancient China, stands proudly with its towering, 64-meter structure. Originally built in 652 AD during the Tang Dynasty, this architectural marvel was constructed to house Buddhist sutras brought from India by the monk Xuanzang. With its elegant brickwork and harmonious proportions, the pagoda not only reflects the splendor of Tang-era architecture but also serves as a vital historical and cultural landmark, drawing visitors from around the globe to marvel at its enduring beauty and spiritual significance.



Datang Everbright City

The Great Mosque of Xi'an, a stunning gem of Islamic Datang Everbright City, located in the heart of Xi'an, is a grand celebration of the Tang Dynasty's rich cultural heritage. This stunning theme park seamlessly blends history with modern entertainment, offering visitors an immersive experience through its majestic architecture, vibrant performances, and traditional crafts. As night falls, the park transforms into a dazzling spectacle of lights and colors, capturing the essence of an ancient era in a contemporary setting. Explore the majestic Tang-era gardens, revel in traditional music and dance, and marvel at the intricate details of this living historical tribute.



Tangyuegong Palace

Tangyuegong Palace, located in Xi'an, is a stunning blend of ancient grandeur and cultural heritage. This historic site, renowned for its majestic architecture and intricate carvings, once served as a royal residence and ceremonial center. Visitors can marvel at the well-preserved relics and intricate artwork that reflect the splendor of the Tang Dynasty. The palace's serene gardens and elegant courtyards offer a glimpse into the opulent lifestyle of ancient Chinese royalty, making it a must-visit destination for history enthusiasts and cultural explorers alike.



Description Attractions in Shanghai

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Shanghai's Urban Planning Exhibition Center

The Shanghai Urban Planning Exhibition Center offers a captivating glimpse into the city's ambitious development. Located in the heart of Shanghai, this architectural marvel showcases the city's transformation through intricate models, interactive displays, and multimedia presentations. Visitors can explore Shanghai's past, present, and future, gaining insight into its innovative urban planning and sustainable development strategies. With its striking design and informative exhibits, the center provides an engaging experience for anyone interested in the dynamic evolution of one of the world's most vibrant metropolises.



Nanjing Road

Nanjing Road, Shanghai's premier shopping street, seamlessly blends the city's rich history with modern vibrancy. Stretching 5.5 kilometers from the Bund to Jing'an Temple, this bustling thoroughfare is renowned for its dazzling array of international and local brands, luxurious boutiques, and lively entertainment. Historic architecture contrasts with sleek skyscrapers, offering visitors a glimpse into Shanghai's past and present. As a vibrant hub of commerce and culture, Nanjing Road is an essential destination for anyone seeking to experience the dynamic pulse of this cosmopolitan city.



The Bund

The Bund, Shanghai's iconic waterfront promenade, elegantly stretches along the Huangpu River. This historic boulevard showcases an exquisite blend of colonial-era architecture and modern skyscrapers, offering breathtaking views of the city's skyline. The Bund is renowned for its stunning, illuminated façades and serves as a vibrant hub for cultural and social activities, embodying the timeless charm and dynamic spirit of Shanghai. Its enchanting atmosphere makes it a must-visit destination for both locals and travelers.



Attractions in Shanghai

Huangpu River

The Huangpu River, flowing gracefully through the heart of Shanghai, is a shimmering emblem of the city's vibrant spirit and historical grandeur. Stretching over 113 kilometers, this majestic river separates the historic Puxi from the modern Pudong district. Its banks are adorned with stunning architectural marvels, from colonial-era buildings to futuristic skyscrapers, making it a visual feast for visitors. A cruise along the Huangpu River offers an unparalleled view of Shanghai's skyline, blending past and present in a breathtaking panorama.



Yu Garden and Old Town

Yu Garden, a timeless gem nestled in Shanghai's Old Town, offers a serene escape with its classical Chinese landscaping. This 16th-century garden boasts exquisite pavilions, tranquil ponds, and meticulously crafted rockeries, reflecting traditional aesthetics. Surrounding the garden, Old Town's vibrant streets are alive with historic charm, featuring bustling markets and authentic eateries. Here, the past and present intertwine, inviting visitors to experience Shanghai's rich cultural heritage amidst a picturesque setting.



Shanghai World Financial Center

The Shanghai World Financial Center, an iconic symbol of modernity, graces the skyline of Shanghai with its sleek, futuristic design. Towering at 492 meters, this architectural marvel features a distinctive trapezoidal aperture at its peak, earning it the nickname "The Bottle Opener." Home to luxurious hotels, high-end offices, and panoramic observation decks, it offers breathtaking views of the city's vibrant pulse. As a pinnacle of global finance and innovation, it epitomizes Shanghai's dynamic growth and cosmopolitan allure.



Description Attractions in Guilin

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Reed Flute Cave

Discover the enchanting Reed Flute Cave in Guilin, a mesmerizing natural wonder renowned for its stunning limestone formations. This awe-inspiring cave, named after the reeds once used to make flutes, features a breathtaking array of stalactites, stalagmites, and ancient rock formations illuminated by vibrant lights. Wander through its labyrinth of crystal-clear pools and majestic columns, and experience a subterranean landscape that has captivated visitors for centuries. A true gem of nature's artistry, the Reed Flute Cave promises an unforgettable journey into the heart of Karst beauty.



Li River

The Li River, winding through the heart of Guilin, is a breathtaking testament to China's natural splendor. Known for its ethereal karst peaks and serene waters, it offers a picturesque journey through a landscape that has inspired poets and artists for centuries. Cruising along the river reveals an ever-changing tableau of lush greenery, traditional fishing villages, and dramatic limestone formations, each turn more enchanting than the last. The Li River's tranquil beauty and timeless charm make it an unforgettable highlight of any travel itinerary in Guilin.



West Street

West Street in Guilin is a vibrant blend of ancient charm and modern allure. This historic street, also known as Xiangshan, is renowned for its well-preserved architecture, traditional shops, and lively atmosphere. Stroll through its narrow lanes to discover a rich tapestry of local culture, from artisanal crafts to exquisite cuisine. With its picturesque setting along the Li River, West Street offers a unique glimpse into Guilin's heritage, making it a must-visit for travelers seeking an authentic experience.



Attractions in Guilin

Yulong River Bamboo rafting

Discover the enchanting beauty of Guilin's Yulong River with a serene bamboo rafting adventure. Glide gently along crystal-clear waters, surrounded by lush green landscapes and dramatic karst peaks. This tranquil journey offers a unique perspective of rural China, where traditional bamboo rafts provide an authentic experience of the river's timeless charm. Perfect for nature lovers and those seeking relaxation, Yulong River's bamboo rafting promises a memorable escape into the heart of Guilin's natural splendor.



Dragon's Backbone Rice Terraces

Nestled in the heart of Guangxi Province, the Dragon's Backbone Rice Terraces in Guilin are a breathtaking testament to the ingenuity of the Zhuang and Yao ethnic communities. These stunning terraces, carved into the lush hillsides over centuries, create a mesmerizing landscape of cascading green fields that change with the seasons. The intricate, winding patterns of the terraces reflect the harmony between human ingenuity and nature's beauty, offering visitors a picturesque journey through both cultural heritage and natural splendor.



Zhuang minority group

In Guilin, the Zhuang minority group, China's largest ethnic minority, adds vibrant cultural richness to the region. Known for their distinctive attire, melodious folk songs, and intricate embroidery, the Zhuang people maintain a deep connection to their traditional customs. Their villages, nestled amid Guilin's breathtaking karst landscapes, showcase terraced rice fields and charming wooden houses. Festivals such as the Song Festival highlight their lively traditions, offering visitors a glimpse into a world where ancient rituals and harmonious community life thrive.



Attractions in Guilin

Pingan Village at Dragon Backbone

Nestled in the heart of Guilin's stunning Longji Rice Terraces, Pingan Village at Dragon Backbone is a picturesque gem renowned for its breathtaking views and rich cultural heritage. Surrounded by lush green terraced fields, this charming village offers visitors an authentic glimpse into traditional Zhuang and Yao cultures. With its ancient wooden houses and serene landscape, Pingan Village is a haven for nature lovers and cultural enthusiasts alike, providing a tranquil retreat and a memorable journey through time.



Quotation of the Tours

Quotation

Program	Price per person in USD
Pre and Post Tours Beijing	
Option 1-Beijing City Tour	USD253 per person
Option 2- Beijing Highlights	USD224 per person
Option 3- Great Wall Tour	USD249 per person
Option 4- Fun Workshop	USD237 per person

Prices are per person.

Based on minimum 2 pax

Includes

Lunches as itinerary specifies
Private English-speaking guides
Private drivers & air-conditioned vehicles
Entrance fees to tourist sites/activities

Excludes

International airfares
Hotel accommodations
Entry Visa fees
Personal expenses
Tips or gratuities for guides and drivers

*Cut-off date: 21 November 2024

^{*}Exchange Rate: 6.8

Quotation

Program Price per person in USD

Pre and Post Tours – Beijing, Xi'an and Shanghai USD1,484 per person

Pre and Post Tours – Beijing, Guilin and Shanghai USD1,913 per person

Prices are per person on twin sharing basis.

Based on minimum 2 pax

Includes

Domestic airfares & train fares
Hotel accommodation(4* or similar) with breakfasts
Lunches as itinerary specifies
Private English-speaking guides
Private drivers & air-conditioned vehicles
Entrance fees to tourist sites/activities

Excludes

International airfares
Entry Visa fees
Personal expenses
Tips or gratuities for guides and drivers
Private transfer for departure day

*Exchange Rate: 6.8

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