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**ADVENTURES** \* BY **DISNEY**

China | Hong Kong, Beijing, Chengdu, Xi'an, Guilin, Shanghai | 12 Days / 11 Nights



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## China

12 Days / 11 Nights

Unlock the mysteries of China! Marvel at extraordinary sites that showcase its traditions, natural wonders and events including the Great Wall, the Forbidden City, the Temple of Heaven and Tiananmen Square. Discover how China has maintained its cultural identity for thousands of years while becoming a force in the modern world. And delight in Hong Kong Disneyland® Resort and the new Shanghai Disneyland® at Shanghai Disney Resort!



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**FLIGHT INFORMATION:**

Arrive: Hong Kong International Airport (HKG)

Return: Shanghai Pudong International Airport (PVG)

**AGES:**

Minimum Age: 6

Suggested Age: 8+

**MEALS:**

11 Breakfasts

9 Lunches

7 Dinners

**CHINA VACATION HIGHLIGHTS****Explore Hong Kong**

Discover the vibrant harbor city with an iconic skyline, world-class shops and exciting street scene.

**Hong Kong Disneyland & Shanghai Disneyland**

Immerse yourself in Disney magic at China's Disney theme parks.

**Great Wall of China Cable Car Ride**

Reach new heights as you ride to Mutianyu for an amazing walk atop this iconic structure.

**Victoria Peak**

Be awed by panoramic views of Hong Kong's stunning skyline and harbor from the top of the mountain.

**Beijing's Ancient & Modern History Tour**

Walk through centuries of history as you tour this modern city with a rich past.

**Beijing's Temple of Heaven**

Tour this massive temple built for emperors to worship the god of heaven.

**Panda Visit**

Get a rare peek at China's cutest residents on a tour of Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding.

**Sichuan Opera**

Enjoy music, acrobatics and the classic face changing act that has delighted audiences for centuries.

**Shanghai Circus World & Acrobat Show**

Experience the excitement of this acrobatic performance and live rock show.

**Lijiang River Guilin Boat Tour**

Cruise the Li River and take in the scenic landscapes, including the "gumdrop mountains."

**Terracotta Warriors & Horses in Xi'an**

Marvel at this sculpted army created to protect China's first emperor in the afterlife.

**Explore Shanghai**

Discover the sprawling skyline, classic architecture and waterfront district of this truly international city.

**Tiananmen Square Walking Tour**

Learn the rich history of this focal point of celebration and protest with a local guide.

**Yu Garden Tour in Old Shanghai**

Find peace and inspiration in this 300-year-old garden sanctuary in the heart of Shanghai.

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### Hong Kong Arrival

Upon exiting customs, an *Adventures by Disney* representative meets you and escorts you to your transfer vehicle. Relax as the driver assists with your luggage and drives you to your hotel, The Peninsula Hong Kong.

### The Peninsula Hong Kong

Unwind in the grand lobby of Hong Kong's oldest hotel as your Adventure Guides check you in. The Peninsula Hong Kong hotel was built in 1928 and is known as the "Grand Dame of the Far East."

### On Your Own in Hong Kong

The evening will be your own to explore this city's exceptional nightlife! Ask your Adventure Guides to suggest activities the whole family will enjoy. And don't forget to see *A Symphony of Lights*—a spectacular, multimedia, laser light show that floods Victoria Harbour with radiance and orchestral music each night at 8:00 PM (Hong Kong Time).

## DAY 1: Hong Kong

### Meal(s) Included:

Dinner

### Accommodations

The Peninsula Hong Kong

### Welcome Dinner at The Peninsula Hong Kong

Enjoy a private dinner in the renowned restaurant of this elegant hotel. Meet your fellow Adventurers and listen to your Adventure Guides as they tell you more details about the adventures that lie ahead.

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## DAY 2: Hong Kong

### Meal(s) Included:

Breakfast and Lunch

### Accommodations

The Peninsula Hong Kong

### Breakfast in the Hotel

Wake up to a filling breakfast and get ready for a day of adventure ahead.

### Hong Kong Tour - Sightsee and Shop in the Stanley Market

Explore the exciting city of Hong Kong—famous for its skyscrapers, expansive harbor, stunning views and world-class shopping. Visit Stanley Market, the perfect place to pick up souvenirs and snap photos of bustling streetscapes.

### Coach Transfer to Victoria Peak

Ride the classic Star Ferry service across the famous harbor to Central, Hong Kong's business district. A motor coach takes you from there to Victoria Peak, the mountain that flanks the western part of the city.

### Lunch at The Peak Lookout

Admire views of Hong Kong's incredible skyline and harbor as you enjoy a delicious lunch with fellow Adventurers at this restaurant near the summit of Victoria Peak—and feel like you're on top of the world!

### On Your Own at Victoria Peak

Enjoy panoramic views of Hong Kong from the highest platforms in the city on Victoria Peak. And take a peek at the fun-filled locations surrounding you—including a playground, a relaxing garden and the Peak Galleria, filled with wonderful activities and shopping opportunities!

### The Peak Tram

Ride down Victoria Peak on the historic Peak Tram funicular railway and see Hong Kong's natural wonders along the way.

### Hong Kong Disneyland

Arrive at Hong Kong Disneyland by motor coach. Explore its 7 magical lands—Adventureland, Grizzly Gulch, Mystic Point, Toy Story Land, Fantasyland, Tomorrowland and Main Street, U.S.A. Discover thrilling attractions, beloved Characters, terrific shops, exciting celebrations... and all the Disney magic that is Hong Kong Disneyland!

### On Your Own Dinner at Hong Kong Disneyland

With a variety of delicious eateries to choose from at Hong Kong Disneyland, pick the right one for you and your family. And then set off for an evening of fun at Hong Kong Disneyland.

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### DAY 3: Hong Kong, Beijing

#### Meal(s) Included:

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

#### Accommodations

The Peninsula Beijing

#### Breakfast at the Hotel

Enjoy a filling breakfast before you head to the airport for your flight to Beijing.

#### Flight to Beijing

Relax while we handle your luggage and arrange for transportation to the airport. Once onboard the plane, enjoy lunch and arrive ready for your visit to Beijing, the capital of the People's Republic of China.

#### Check-In at The Peninsula Beijing

Your Adventure Guides will help with your check-in and luggage as you explore this elegant luxury hotel. Combining tradition with contemporary style, The Peninsula Beijing is located in the heart of China's bustling capital and offers superb comfort and a host of delightful amenities.

#### On Your Own Afternoon in Beijing

Spend the rest of the afternoon investigating Beijing. Ask your Adventure Guides for suggestions, since there are so many sites to see and things to do in this thrilling city where ancient and modern aesthetics live side by side.

#### Dinner at Duck de Chine

Enjoy a scrumptious dinner at this restaurant in the 1949-The Hidden City dining and nightlife complex. Duck de Chine's industrial chic décor provides a laid-back ambiance while its menu features a variety of duck and non-duck delicacies with Chinese and French influences. If you want to choose the most popular menu item, delight in the classic Peking Duck combo of slices of crisp roast duck rolled in soft pancakes with plum sauce, spring onion and cucumber.

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## DAY 4: Beijing

### Meal(s) Included:

Breakfast and Lunch

### Accommodations

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### Breakfast at the Hotel

Begin your day with a delicious breakfast and then meet your guide in the hotel lobby for an introduction to Beijing history and a description of the morning's activity.

### Beijing Temple Tour - Visit the Temple of Heaven

Be driven by motor coach to the Temple of Heaven, accompanied by your local guide. Built in 1420, this huge structure is where the emperors of the Ming and Qing dynasties worshipped the god of heaven and offered sacrifices to heaven to ensure a good harvest. It is now a cultural museum that chronicles the history of China through its architecture, art, music and more.

### Lunch at Huajia Yiyuan Restaurant

Enjoy delicious Beijing duck and other traditional Chinese specialties at this popular restaurant with its classic atmosphere and beautiful décor.

### Beijing Walking Tour - Tiananmen Square

Take a guided walk across Tiananmen Square, named after the Tiananmen Gate on its north side, which translates to "Gate of Heavenly Peace." Learn about the history of this historic gathering place for celebrations and protests. Your local guide will point out the Monument to People's Heroes, Tiananmen Tower, Great Hall of the People, Memorial Hall of Chairman Mao and the National Museum of China.

### Forbidden City

Enter the Forbidden City on the south side through the Gate of Supreme Harmony. On this guided tour, learn details about the incredible Imperial Palace that's housed here and which was the seat of power from 1416 to 1911. Covering 178 acres and including 90 palaces with courtyards and over 10,000 rooms containing remarkable furnishings and art, the Forbidden City is a historical testimony to Chinese civilization during the Ming and Qing dynasties. Stroll through grand halls, courts and banquet rooms and visit pavilions and palaces with fascinating exhibitions. Be awestruck by the extraordinary glazed tile Nine-Dragon Screen and the spectacular Imperial Garden! See important details

### On Your Own Dinner and Evening in Beijing

Savor the flavors of Beijing! Choose from an array of wonderful restaurants and night markets. Attend a performance of a colorful Beijing opera or exciting acrobat show. Your Adventure Guides can help find the perfect activity for you and your family.

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**Breakfast at the Hotel**

Begin your day with a hearty breakfast to prepare for the Great Wall adventure ahead.

**The Great Wall of China Tour**

Ride a cable car up to one of the most well-preserved sections of the Great Wall located at Mutianyu. Thrill to the Great Wall of China Tour, walking along the top of this incredible structure—one of the New Wonders of the World—that once served as the northern barricade to protect the capital city. Dotted with watchtowers, the Great Wall offers an incredible view of the woods below. See important details

**Private Lunch at The Schoolhouse in Mutianyu**

Enjoy a Western-style lunch at this restaurant that boasts the best homemade ice cream in all of China! Take a motor coach to this converted village schoolhouse in the shadow of the Great Wall.

**DAY 5: Beijing****Meal(s) Included:**

Breakfast and Lunch

**Accommodations**

The Peninsula Beijing

**On Your Own Afternoon in Beijing**

Explore the city at your leisure. Filled with extraordinary sights and sounds, there is an abundance of opportunities for you to take a deeper dive into past and present Chinese culture.

**On Your Own Dinner in Beijing**

Enjoy a delicious dinner at one of the fine restaurants in this exciting city. Ask your Adventure Guides to recommend the restaurant that's ideal for you and your family.

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**Breakfast at the Hotel**

Enjoy a tasty breakfast before you begin today's adventures.

**Hutong Pedicab Tour**

Travel by pedicab through the narrow streets of Beijing's ancient Hutong neighborhoods on this tour where you'll make stops to join in demonstrations of traditional crafts or watch other Guests as they participate in knot-tying, paper-cutting and making maximum use of a Chinese yo-yo! After a demonstration of knot-tying, each Guest can take home a red string bracelet with a traditional bead. And after a paper-cutting expert demonstrates how it's done, receive a paper-cutting sample to remember your experience.

**Private Lunch at the Noble House Restaurant**

Enjoy a family-style lunch featuring both Chinese and Western dishes at this restaurant in a former private residence in the Hutong neighborhood. Dine in the relaxed atmosphere while overlooking a public park and one of the few lakes in Beijing.

**DAY 6: Beijing, Chengdu****Meal(s) Included:**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

**Accommodations**

The Ritz-Carlton, Chengdu

**Flight to Chengdu**

Ride a motor coach to the airport and fly to Chengdu, the capital of the Sichuan Province.

**Check-In at the Ritz-Carlton, Chengdu**

As your Adventure Guides check you in and handle your luggage, make yourself at home in this 5-star luxury hotel with impeccable accommodations and amenities.

**Private Dinner at Ba Guo Bu Yi Restaurant**

Delight in tasty Sichuan-style food as well as Western fare served family-style in this renowned restaurant that's brimming with Ba Shu culture.

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## DAY 7: Chengdu

### Meal(s) Included:

Breakfast and Lunch

### Accommodations

The Ritz-Carlton, Chengdu

### Breakfast at the Hotel

Enjoy an American-style buffet breakfast at your leisure during the early morning hours.

### Chengdu Panda Visit

See how dedicated scientists are devoted to the preservation of endangered pandas at China's premier institution—the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding. Your private tour includes a peek at the natural habitats that have been recreated for the pandas. Watch a dozen or more big and little pandas at play in their park-like enclosures!

### Lunch at a Local Sichuan Hot Pot Restaurant

Create your own variety of Chinese stew! Start with the stock that simmers in a metal pot at the center of the dining table. Choose the ingredients you want and put them into the pot—and watch them cook right there at the table! Typical hot pot dishes include thinly sliced meat, leafy vegetables, mushrooms, wontons, egg dumplings, and seafood, and they are usually eaten with a dipping sauce.

### Afternoon on Your Own in Chengdu

The afternoon is yours to enjoy the hotel's amenities or explore Chengdu's many attractions and fabulous restaurants on your own. Ask your Adventure Guide for suggestions.

### On Your Own Dinner in Chengdu

Choose from a variety of delicious eateries—maybe even one you found for yourself during this afternoon's exploration of Chengdu! If you want help picking the right one for you and your family, ask your Adventure Guides for recommendations.

### Sichuan Opera - Face Changing Performance

Delight in an evening of fun when you see the classic Chinese art form of face changing at the Sichuan Opera! This remarkable performance provides a variety of entertainment, including amusing acrobatic stunts, music and puppetry—and culminates with the amazing, classic face changing act that has to be seen to be believed!

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## DAY 8: Chengdu, Xi'an, Guilin

### Meal(s) Included:

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

### Accommodations

Shangri-La Hotel, Guilin

### Breakfast at the Hotel

Say goodbye to Chengdu as you fuel up on breakfast, readying yourself for your day ahead.

### Flight to Xi'an

Take a motor coach to the airport and board the plane to Xi'an. Be assisted with your luggage along the way.

### Xi'an Terracotta Museum

Explore one of the most spectacular wonders in China! A UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site, the Terracotta Warriors and Horses were first discovered in 1974 in an archaeological dig where over 7000 clay sculptures of warriors, horses and chariots were found buried alongside China's first emperor, Qin Shi Huang Di—the protection he was going to take with him into the afterlife! The museum features these life-size terracotta figures of warriors and horses in battle formations, representing the imperial guard of that era. Digging at this archaeological site is ongoing in the expectation of unearthing more monumental discoveries like these.

### Lunch at the Terracotta Museum

Enjoy a boxed lunch while taking in this remarkable atmosphere.

### Dinner at Xi'an Airport or Buffet Dinner at a Restaurant - and Fly to Guilin

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### Check-In at Shangri-La Hotel, Guilin

Your Adventure Guides help check you in and handle your luggage while you explore this contemporary luxury hotel in the ancient city of Guilin that features classic Chinese architecture with well-appointed rooms and fine amenities. Located in the heart of the city, this elegant hotel offers stunning views of the Li River.

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**Breakfast at the Hotel**

Begin with a delicious breakfast and get ready for the boat cruise ahead.

**Guilin Boat Tour - Cruise on the Li (Lijiang) River**

As you take a cruise along the lazy Li River—also known as the Lijiang—be surrounded by China's legendary and interestingly shaped "gumdrop mountains" and terraced rice paddies. One of China's most scenic areas, soak in the beauty of the stark cliffs, rolling hills and famous caves. Watch for water buffalo along the shoreline and fishermen riding by on bamboo rafts. And see for yourself why so many Chinese poems and paintings celebrate the wonders of this river.

**Lunch Onboard the Boat**

Enjoy a boxed lunch on the boat and get ready to try out your bargaining skills at the shops in Yangshuo.

**On Your Own in Yangshuo**

Visit the lively, bustling market village of Yangshuo famous for its bargain shops along West Street, and staffed by friendly hawkers eager to negotiate prices. This is an ideal opportunity to find an item for the White Elephant exchange that happens after dinner tonight!

**DAY 9: Guilin****Meal(s) Included:**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

**Accommodations**

Shangri-La Hotel, Guilin

**BBQ Dinner at the Hotel**

Return to the Shangri-La Hotel, Guilin for a tasty Chinese barbeque. Show off your bargain souvenirs from Yangshuo while dining on a delectable feast!

**White Elephant Exchange**

Prepare yourself for some laughs and fun with your fellow Adventurers. See what White Elephant gifts are given—and be surprised by what you get!

**Disney Movie Night**

Settle in with your little ones for a private Disney movie presentation.

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## DAY 10: Guilin, Shanghai

### Meal(s) Included:

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

### Accommodations

The Peninsula Shanghai

### Breakfast at the Hotel

Begin your morning with a tasty breakfast.

### Morning Activity - Tai Chi

Let the harmony of this awe-inspiring area inspire you. Surrounded by the stunning gundrop mountains, learn Tai Chi from a local master—and find your center.

### Fly to Shanghai with Lunch In-Flight

Travel to cosmopolitan Shanghai. Lunch will be served in-flight.

### Check-In at The Peninsula Shanghai

As your Adventure Guides check you in and handle your luggage, look around this luxury hotel on the historic Bund riverfront, which has twice been voted the Best Hotel in Asia by 'Travel + Leisure' magazine.

### Explore Shanghai

Explore this city that's said to have a skyline that rivals New York's, filled with international influences that will surprise and delight you. Explore the historic Bund waterfront district around your hotel, which houses 26 buildings with Gothic, Baroque, Romanesque, Classic and Renaissance architectural styles and look out at the skyscrapers of the financial district of Pudong.

### Dinner at Din Tai Fung in Xintiandi

Ride in a motor coach to the Xintiandi district and join your fellow Adventurers at Shanghai's Din Tai Fung restaurant for a meal of classic Shanghai dumplings and assorted dishes, artfully prepared and served.

### Shanghai Circus World & Acrobat Show

Take a short drive to Shanghai Circus World Theater. There, be amazed by the show *ERA-Intersection of Time*—a modern version of a classic Chinese acrobatic performance with a live rock band, dramatic lighting and a breathtaking array of talented performers. Not to be missed is the grand finale featuring 8 motorcycles and... well, we don't want to give the surprise away!

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**Breakfast at the Hotel**

Start the day with a tasty breakfast and get energized for the fun activities ahead.

**Old Shanghai - Yu Garden Tour**

Ride in a motor coach to the Old City of Shanghai. Stroll along the narrow streets of this colorful district, known for its preserved classic architecture and lively open-air markets with over 100 stores and shops in this area—some a century old! Then, unwind at Yu Garden. This 300-year-old large Chinese garden beside the City Gold Temple offers "harmonious balance" and evokes peace, calm and poetic inspiration in the heart of one of the world's busiest cities.

**Shanghai Disneyland at Shanghai Disney Resort**

Take a motor coach drive to the newest, innovative Disney Resort and theme park—Shanghai Disneyland! Enjoy some of your favorite attractions. And discover some that are new to Disney Parks, including the Garden of the Twelve Friends located in the Gardens of the Imagination, the Pirates of the Caribbean Battle for the Sunken Treasure in Treasure Cove and more!

**DAY 11: Shanghai****Meal(s) Included:**

Breakfast and Dinner

**Accommodations**

The Peninsula Shanghai

**On Your Own Lunch at Shanghai Disneyland**

Explore Shanghai Disneyland's fabulous restaurants on your own or ask your Adventure Guides for lunch suggestions.

**Farewell Dinner at Shanghai Disneyland**

Relish this special and scrumptious dinner at one of the fine restaurants at Shanghai Disneyland! Share your stories of this trip with fellow Adventurers and enjoy a surprise or two!

**Fireworks at Shanghai Disneyland**

Delight in a spectacular fireworks extravaganza, with the night sky over Shanghai Disneyland aglitter in celebration—creating an incredible send-off and one more unforgettable memory to take home with you from your *Adventures by Disney* vacation to China!

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**DAY 12: Shanghai****Meal(s) Included:**

Breakfast

**Accommodations**

None

**Breakfast at the Hotel**

Say goodbye to your newfound friends over your last breakfast in China.

**Beijing Departure at Shanghai Pudong International Airport (PVG)**

Relax while we handle your luggage and arrange for transportation to the airport. And bid farewell to China—until you return again!

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## IMPORTANT DETAILS

### Day 4

- **Please note:** Although Forbidden City has level paths made of asphalt or flat paving stones, there are some steps that need to be negotiated.

### Day 5

- **Please note:** On the Great Wall of China, there are numerous steps to climb, some of which are steep by Western standards. Sidewalks are mostly asphalt or paving stones with broken and uneven surfaces in some areas requiring a fair degree of vigilance.

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## CHINA FAMILY VACATION TRIP TIPS

### PREPARING FOR YOUR ADVENTURE

#### Required Travel Documentation

If you are a U. S. citizen, you will need a valid passport to enter and depart China. It must be valid six months beyond your intended stay and have 1 to 2 blank pages remaining. Guests must also provide evidence of return or onward travel. Allow yourself sufficient time to have your application processed if you are applying for a new passport or renewing an expired passport. Guests 17 years of age or younger may be required to show additional documentation when traveling with a single parent. Visit the U.S. Department of State for more details.

All visitors to China are required to obtain a Tourist "L" Visa, which can be obtained by contacting the nearest Chinese Embassy (Washington D.C.) or Consulate (Chicago, Houston, Los Angeles, New York and San Francisco). Visa applications typically take 3 to 5 working days to process. It varies, but typically your visit must begin within 90 days of the date of issue. Visas are valid for between 1 and 3 months of travel. You may also need to provide travel documents (tickets or travel confirmation) confirming return or onward travel.

If you are not a U.S. citizen, please check with the Chinese Embassy for information on documentation requirements.

#### Passport/Visa Services

You can apply for a passport and/or visa through CIBT, Inc., a third party travel document company servicing the travel industry (not affiliated with the Walt Disney Company). Learn more or call CIBT at (800) 406-1523. Be sure to mention *Adventures by Disney*, account #55134, for special pricing options.

#### What to Pack

Please limit your baggage to one piece of checked baggage per person plus one carry-on per person, due to internal flights within China.

- 1 checked bag not to exceed 20kg/44lbs and the total dimension of each piece must not exceed 80" (200 cm).
- 1 carry-on bag not to exceed 5kg/11lbs and not to exceed dimensions 21x15x7" (so that it can fit under the seat or in overhead compartment).
- 1 small item may also be carry-on, i.e. purse, coat, umbrella.

With frequent security changes, we recommend that you check with your air carrier as well as the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) for current restrictions.

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Since a majority of your adventure will take place outdoors, attire for your adventure should be casual and comfortable. However, you may wish to don business casual attire for dinner. The following is a list of clothing and other items you may want to bring: Although toiletries like shampoo, razors and deodorant are available, they are usually priced at a premium. Hairdryers are available at all hotels.

**Clothing**

- T-shirts (both short- and long-sleeved)
- Collared shirts
- Light sweater
- Jeans or long pants
- Casual dress/skirt (optional)
- Shorts
- Lightweight rain jacket
- Hat
- Swimsuit
- Closed-toe shoes
- Sturdy-soled walking shoes
- Sandals

**Miscellaneous**

- Passport
- Medication
- Camera/video camera
- Extra batteries or charger for camera
- Sunglasses
- Sunscreen
- Umbrella
- Toiletries
- Electric plug adapter

**Weather**

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**EN ROUTE**

**Arrival/Departure Information**

Upon arrival at the Hong Kong International Airport (HKG), follow airport signage to the Passport Control and Immigration area. Once through Passport Control, you will follow additional airport signage directing you to Baggage Claim. This may include taking a complimentary air train to get from your terminal to the Baggage Claim area.

Once you have claimed your luggage, exit Baggage Claim and look for a representative holding an orange *Adventures by Disney* sign. This representative is available to assist you with your baggage and will escort you to your prearranged ground transportation to your hotel.

At the conclusion of your adventure, you will be escorted to the Shanghai Pudong International Airport (PVG) for your return flight home.

	Day	Airport Code	Arrival/Departure Time
Arrival	1	HKG	No later than 3:00 PM
Departure	12	PVG	Anytime

**DURING YOUR ADVENTURE**

**Currency**

Chinese currency is called Renminbi (People's money), though it's usually abbreviated as RMB. The largest denomination of the RMB is the yuan. In Hong Kong, the currency is the Hong Kong Dollar (HK\$).

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U.S. dollars are not accepted for payment anywhere in China. Hotels and banks typically impose a 3% to 5% fee for currency exchange transactions.

Using your debit card in local ATMs—widely available throughout the trip—is the most efficient way to obtain cash in China. Credit cards or debit cards are widely accepted in China in hotels, restaurants and department stores but cash is still the medium for local shops and small markets.

## Gratuities

### Adventure Guide Gratuities

Gratuities for your Adventure Guides are not included. Based on the quality of service you have received, we suggest the following gratuity guidelines.

Please note that this is for each member of your traveling party, per Adventure Guide, per day.

Per Adult/Child/Per Adventure Guide/Per Day—\$8 - \$11 USD

Example:

- For a 12-day adventure, the Adventure Guide gratuity per Guest, per Adventure Guide: \$96 - \$132 USD.
- A family of 4 for a 12-day adventure: \$384 - \$528 USD per Adventure Guide.

For 2 Adventure Guides, this is a total of \$768 - \$1,056 USD.

The Adventure Guides gratuity can be paid in U.S. dollars, local currency, travelers' checks or PayPal. Please check with your Adventure Guide if they accept PayPal.

### All Other Gratuities

Gratuities have been taken care of on your behalf for all services included in the itinerary. There is no need for you to worry about tipping the bellmen, housekeepers, waiters, drivers and local experts.

## Transportation

Taxi cabs are the best way to get around the city and they are easy to flag down. You can even book one for a half- or full-day hire. Your Adventure

Guide or hotel can help you write down destinations, pick-up times and prices to give to the driver.

## Language

Although Putonghua (Mandarin) is the official language of China, some people speak Cantonese and other regional dialects. English is widely spoken in Hong Kong, although the predominant language is Cantonese.

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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### How do I book my *Adventures by Disney* vacation?

If you are in the United States, please call (800) 543-0865 to speak to a *Vacationista*, or contact your professional travel agent.

If you are outside the United States, please call (866) 983-7872 to speak to a *Vacationista*, or contact your professional travel agent.

### Do I need vaccinations to travel to this country?

For U.S. citizens arriving from an area that might be infected with yellow fever, an International Certificate of Vaccination for yellow fever is required within 5 days of arriving in China. Otherwise, no vaccinations are required for U.S. citizens, though you should consult your doctor for recommendations. (If you extend your stay to other parts of China, you are advised to consult the Centers for Disease Control for more information.) If you are not a U.S. citizen, please check your local requirements for travel vaccinations for China.

### What airport do I fly into and out of?

We will pick you up at the Hong Kong International Airport (HKG) on your arrival day. Your flight should arrive no later than 3:00 PM. At the end of your adventure, we will transfer you to the Shanghai Pudong International Airport (PVG) for your return flight home. You may choose to depart the hotel anytime up until hotel check-out time on Day 12.

### Are transfers included if I arrive or depart from different locations or at different times from the itinerary?

No. Transfers are only included from the specified arrival/departure airports and hotels. For China, transfers are included from the Hong Kong International (HKG) to the Peninsula Hong Kong Hotel on your arrival day. On your departure day, transfers are included from The Peninsula Shanghai to the Shanghai Pudong International Airport (PVG).

### Can I extend my vacation beyond the *Adventures by Disney* itinerary?

Yes, you may stay in Hong Kong before our itinerary or Shanghai after our itinerary, though you will need to make sure that your visa is valid for the time of your entire stay. Pre-night stays in Hong Kong and post-night stays in Shanghai may be available at special rates if booked through *Adventures by Disney* Travel Services, Inc. in conjunction with a land package and cannot be combined with any other offer. Please contact a *Vacationista* at (800) 543-0865 for further information.

### How will our group travel between destinations?

Your group will travel by motor coach from hotels to sites and by commercial airplane flights on Chinese domestic airlines to Beijing, Chengdu, Xi'an, Guilin, and Shanghai.

### How strenuous are the activities?

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While this adventure is not considered physically strenuous, most days will include 1 to 3 hours of walking. On Day 5, the hike along the Great Wall is moderately strenuous with a number of brief ascents and descents. The 13-day itinerary is filled with fun, gentle activities, including Tai Chi lessons and strolls through city streets, historic sites, parks and gardens. Moreover, the itinerary includes visiting 5 distinct regions that are linked by 4 commercial flights within China. Flight times range in length from 1 to 3 hours. As noted, nearly all of the trip's featured activities are gentle if examined separately; however, the full range of activities and length of the journey requires a moderate amount of stamina in order to get the most of your vacation.

### **What ages are appropriate for this adventure?**

While we welcome children ages 6 and up at the time of travel to discover the stories of the world with us, we recommend that children be at least 8 years old at the time of travel on our China trip. This is based on several factors, such as flight time and jet lag, time zone differences in the destination, duration of the vacation, extended hours of daily activity programming, number of internal transports between experiences, potential for extreme temperatures in the summer months, and amount of physical activity (e.g., walking) involved. Because each child is different, call a *Vacationista* at (800) 543-0865 to discuss whether this is the right trip for your kids.

### **What types of meals are served on this *Adventures by Disney* Trip?**

Typically, breakfast is served buffet style and offer a wide variety of both American-style and Chinese options. Dinners and lunches usually include fish, meat, and pasta or rice entrées, vegetables along with desserts and fruit. While the menus have been planned to give you a taste of typical Chinese cuisine, they are always balanced with limited American fare. Some meals on this trip are served buffet style while others offer a limited-choice menu. Given the nature of group travel, we regret that *à la carte* menu choices are not available. Child-friendly choices are available at all meals. Menu items are subject to change due to the availability and seasonality of foods. In order to offer you and your family a bit of time to enjoy meals amongst yourselves, there are a few meals that are not included in the itinerary. These meals have been planned in towns or cities where you will have plenty of options available. If you have any questions or concerns about dining at any time during your vacation, your Adventure Guides will be happy to assist you.

### **Is alcohol included with meals?**

Alcoholic beverages are typically not included with your scheduled meals. However, you may purchase them at your own expense.

### **Can you accommodate special dietary needs?**

*Adventures by Disney* will make a reasonable effort to accommodate some special dietary needs at no additional charge. Unfortunately, we may not be able to accommodate all special dietary needs requested. Please contact a *Vacationista* at (800) 543-0865 in advance of your departure to advise us of your needs.

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**Is this itinerary appropriate for travelers with special needs?**

Please note that this vacation includes activities that present certain challenges to Guests with special needs. It is strongly recommended that persons requiring assistance be accompanied by a companion who is capable of and totally responsible for providing assistance. Neither *Adventures by Disney* nor its suppliers may physically lift or assist Guests onto transportation vehicles. Contact a *Vacationista* at (800) 543-0865 to discuss your needs.

**What if *Adventures by Disney* cancels the adventure prior to departure?**

We will make every reasonable effort to operate the vacations as advertised; however, we reserve the right to curtail or modify the itinerary, or to substitute activities, hotels, meals or transportation as we deem necessary. We further reserve the right to reduce the number of Adventure Guides to one, and to modify other services to accommodate a smaller group, if a minimum number of Guests is not reached. Similarly, we may marginally exceed the stated group maximum size if necessary to accommodate a family. Please also note that during certain holidays and peak periods, some activities may be disrupted or unavailable. None of these modifications or changes shall affect the land package price. We reserve the right to cancel a trip at any time prior to its commencement for any reason, such as if there are too few Guests, or if the quality of the trip or the safety of the Guests would, in our opinion, be compromised, such as may result from unforeseen circumstances (acts of God) or other circumstances beyond our reasonable control. If we cancel your trip prior to its commencement because there are too few Guests: (i) we will attempt to re-book you on another departure of the same itinerary, subject to availability, and we will bear any reasonable airline re-booking charges; however, if we are unable to rebook you, we will issue a full refund of your land package price and Plan (unless you have filed a claim); and (ii) if you booked airfare through us, we will issue a full refund of your airfare; and (iii) if you did not book airfare through us, we will reimburse you for your reasonable out-of-pocket (subject to proof) airline cancellation charges or, in the case of bookings using frequent flier miles, a reasonable cancellation service fee, provided you have exercised best efforts to mitigate such charges/fees; and (iv) the aforesaid payments and/or rebooking by us shall constitute a full settlement.

**Is travel insurance available?**

Yes, you can protect your vacation investment by adding the *Adventures by Disney* Vacation Protection Plan to your reservation.

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