

8 DAY FLY, TOUR & CRUISE

2 FOR 1 CHINA RIVER CRUISE

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TWO
PEOPLE

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CHENGDU • YICHANG • CHONGQING

THE OFFER

The Yangtze River is the lifeblood of China; a vital artery stretching from the glaciers of the Tibetan Plateau to the spectacular East China Sea. Along the way, it weaves among fertile agricultural lands, through towering limestone gorges, past hidden villages and into the heart of great cities. On this eight-day two-for-one package, the secrets and wonders of the Yangtze are yours to uncover.

Begin your journey with a tour of Chengdu, where you'll discover the classic Sichuan architecture in Kuanzhai Alley. Cruise the Yangtze from Yichang to Chongqing on a four night cruise aboard the majestic Yangtze One or Two river ship. Enjoy all meals while cruising, plus make the most of onboard features such as the swimming pool and sun deck bar. Admire ever-changing views from your cabin, or delve a little deeper with optional tours such as the Fengdu Ghost City, or the mighty Three Gorges Dam. With return flights, two nights hotel accommodation, a four night cruise, English speaking guides and more, this trip is the perfect way to see a different side of China!

Want to see more? Choose the Xi'an Terracotta Warriors option.

8 DAY STANDARD

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10 DAY WITH XI'ANEXT.

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8 Day Standard Package

Day 1 Australia – Chengdu, China

Today depart from either Sydney, Melbourne or *Brisbane for Chengdu via Guangzhou, Shanghai, Xiamen, Shenzhen or Fuzhou. Fly with China Southern Airlines, China Eastern Airlines, Sichuan Airlines, Capital Airlines, Air China, Hainan Airlines or Xiamen Airlines (subject to availability). Upon arrival, a tour representative will meet you at the airport and transfer you to check-in to the hotel.

Please note: Due to flight times and scheduling some customers may be required to be at the airport the day before (Depart day 0).

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Overnight: Zhixin Holiday Hotel or similar
Meals included: In-Flight

Day 2 Chengdu

After breakfast, visit Kuanzhai Alley, one of Chengdu's three historic conservation districts. Constructed in 1718 during the early years of the Qing Dynasty, this charming pedestrian thoroughfare is home to a eclectic mix of classic Sichuan architecture, modern cafes and smart boutiques. As you explore, listen to commentary from your guide about the district's history and design, and witness how some of the city's old establishments – local restaurants, traditional teahouses, Chinese calligraphy demonstrations – sit alongside

the new.

Afterwards enjoy the rest of the day at your own leisure or join an amazing optional tour to further explore what Sichuan has to offer, including the famous Giant Panda Breeding and Research Base of Chengdu, a traditional Sichuan Hot Pot dinner and a Sichuan Opera cultural show (not included).

Overnight: Zhixin Holiday Hotel or similar
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 3 Chengdu – Yichang (High speed train) – Begin 4 night Yangtze River Cruise

After breakfast, transfer to Chengdu Railway Station for a high-speed train experience to Yichang (approx. 6.5 hour train ride). You will be met at Yichang Railway by your tour guide and transferred to the Yangtze One or Two Ship (ship to be confirmed prior to departure), where you will begin your memorable four-night cruise down the Yangtze River. Yichang, renowned as the “Gateway to the Three Gorges” and the “Throat between Sichuan and Hubei”, is an important trading port and a transportation hub along the Yangtze River.

Overnight: Yangtze 1 or 2 cruise ship
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 4 Yangtze River Cruise

Enjoy your first day on the Yangtze River as your ship winds its way through spectacular scenery. Enjoy a beautiful breakfast buffet on board, and then join an optional shore excursion to the Three Gorges Project (not included). One of the largest construction projects undertaken by man, it is the biggest hydro project in the world. In the evening, you will return to the ship and attend the Captain's Welcome Banquet and enjoy

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an evening of dancing.

Overnight: Yangtze 1 or 2 cruise ship
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Day 5 Yangtze River Cruise

Today you may choose to embark on the exciting optional excursions or opt for a leisure day on board the ship. Enjoy an optional shore excursion to the mesmerising Shennong Stream (not included). The stream flows through three beautiful gorges including the Mianzhu Gorge, Parrot Gorge and Longcangdong Gorge. Each gorge is renowned for its unique and stunning scenery. The Shennong Stream is also home to the Hanging Coffins, which are ancient coffins containing the remains of descendants of the Tujia people. In the afternoon, you will return to the ship in time for lunch and enjoy the crew's magnificent performance in the evening.

Overnight: Yangtze 1 or 2 cruise ship
Meals included: Breakfast;Lunch;Dinner

Day 6 Yangtze River Cruise

Today you will pass through the mountains of Eastern Sichuan. Participate in the optional excursion or relax by the pool, pamper yourself with a massage and make the most of the last full day on your ship. Tonight, enjoy the farewell dinner and pack your bags in preparation for disembarking tomorrow.

Today's optional excursion is Fengdu Ghost City (not included). Located on the northern bank of the Yangtze River, Fengdu is an ancient city with a time-honored history, known as the 'Ghost City' to most Chinese people. According to superstitious legend, the dead come to Fengdu Ghost City and the devils go to hell. Since Tang Dynasty, forty-eight temples have been built in the place, such as the 'Hall of the Jade

Emperor'.

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Day 7 Chongqing - Australia

This morning you will disembark the cruise ship in the magnificent city of Chongqing. Transfer to Chongqing Airport for your homebound flight or join an optional tour to see what Chongqing has to offer including Three Gorges Museum and ancient village of Ci Qi Kou (Porcelain Village) (not included) with an airport drop-off.

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Meals included: Breakfast

Day 8 Arrive in Australia

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Overnight: Tang Cheng Hotel, Dynasty Hotel, Holiday Inn, Yulong International Hotel or Grand Noble Hotel or similar
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 8 Terracotta Warriors & Horses Museum

The highlight of today is a visit to the Qin Shi Huang Terracotta Warriors and Horses Museum. Unearthed near Xi'an in 1974, there are 8000 life size sculptures of soldiers, chariots, and horses covering 20,000 square metres. With different facial expressions and weaponry adorning each soldier, the Terracotta Warriors are believed to have been created to accompany the Qin Emperor into the afterlife. This site is among the top archaeological excavations of the 20th century. The sheer scale of the Terracotta Warriors Army will leave you reeling. Afterwards, visit the Terracotta Warriors Reproduction Factory.

Overnight: Tang Cheng Hotel, Dynasty Hotel, Holiday Inn, Yulong International Hotel or Grand Noble Hotel or similar
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 9 Xi'an sightseeing - Australia

After breakfast visit the Small Wild Goose Pagoda, which is located on the central axis of the Jianfu Temple in south Xi'an. As a national AAAA scenic spot and a world heritage site, the Buddhist pagoda survives from the Tang Dynasty. This will be followed by a visit to Shaanxi Xi'an Museum where you can learn more about the history of ancient China. Afterwards transfer to Xian Airport for your homebound flight.

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Meals included: Breakfast;In-Flight

Day 10 Arrive in Australia

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TOUR INCLUSIONS

HIGHLIGHTS

Sail the scenic Yangtze River from Yichang to Chongqing

Step back in time at Chengdu's Kuanzhai Alley

Visit Yichang, gateway to the Three Gorges

Stop in Chongqing, known as the 'Mountain City'

Attend a Captain's Welcome Banquet onboard

FLIGHTS

Return international flights (economy class) ex SYD/MEL/*BNE

CRUISE

4-night cruise along the scenic Yangtze River

Sail aboard the majestic Yangtze One or Two ship

ACCOMMODATION

2 nights 4-star hotel accommodation on tour

DINING

Enjoy 12 meals including all meals while cruising

TOUR ESSENTIALS

English-speaking tour guides

Airline taxes and surcharges

TRANSPORT

1-way high speed train experience (economy class): Chengdu to Yichang

Transportation by private A/C vehicles

TRANSFERS

Return airport and rail transfers

10 DAY WITH XI'AN TERRACOTTA WARRIORS EXTENSION

All of the Standard Package inclusions, plus the following:

2 additional nights in 4-star accommodation

Enjoy 2 additional meals

1-way high speed train (economy class): Chongqing to Xian

Discover the history of Xi'an

Witness the ancient Terracotta Warriors & Horses, a wonder of the world

Visit the Small Wild Goose Pagoda, a world heritage listed site

Delve into the history of ancient China at Shaanxi History Museum in Xi'an

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**Please note: All information provided in this brochure is subject to both change and availability. Prior to purchase please check the current deal for up-to-date information. If you have already purchased this deal, the terms and conditions on your Purchase Confirmation apply and take precedence over the information in this brochure.*

BOOKING INFORMATION

After purchase, you will receive a receipt and a Purchase Confirmation, directing you to an online Passenger Information Form. The Passenger Information Form must be completed within 72 hours of purchase.

Any special requests, preferences and optional extras MUST be clearly stated in your Passenger Information Form. Any change requested after submitting your Passenger Information Form cannot be guaranteed, is strictly subject to availability and will incur surcharges as outlined in the Schedule of Fees below.

On purchasing this Travel Offer you are bound by the General Terms and Conditions, in addition to the specific terms and conditions outlined in this Important Information.

Please note: all additional charges are payable direct to your Travel Consultant in AUD (unless otherwise stated).

OFFER ESSENTIALS

Travel offer is valid for travel on selected dates until the 8th November 2019.

This travel offer is priced for 2 people based on twin share.

Please note: 1 voucher is valid for 2 people. When processing your order, please double check the number of vouchers you are purchasing is what you require.

In Country Transport Operator Fees (ITOF) - Second Passenger Only

The second person travels free, except for a mandatory payment of \$150 AUD ITOF additional to the tour price, which may be applied by the tour leader towards any in-country taxes, fees and

any additional carrier, tour, transfer and logistic charges.

Single Traveller Supplement

For solo travellers a full price voucher must be purchased.

Departure Dates (2019)

Please see the TripADeal website for current departure dates.

Departure Cities

Sydney, Melbourne or *Brisbane

Interstate Surcharges

*Brisbane: \$400 for 2 people

FLIGHTS

Full Service Airline(s) Used

China Southern Airlines, China Eastern Airlines, Sichuan Airlines, Capital Airlines, Air China, Hainan Airlines or Xiamen Airlines (subject to availability).

Please note: One way flights can not be accommodated. Travellers must take all included flights within the package, and any flights intentionally forfeited will result in later flights being subject to cancellation.

Arrive early

Not available.

Stay behind

Not available.

Stopover Packages

Not available.

Flight Class Upgrades

Not available.

CRUISES

Cabins

All cabins are subject to availability; some cabins may have restricted views.

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation Used

4 Star (self-rated):

- Chengdu: Zhixin Holiday Hotel or Holiday Inn
- Xi'an (extension only): Grand Noble Hotel or Holiday Inn
- Cruise: Yangtze One or Two Ship

Please note: Accommodation/rooms offered are based on a lead-in room type, and are subject to availability based on seasonality. Properties will be confirmed, no later than two weeks prior to travel.

Extra Nights

Not Available

Maximum Room Capacity

2 People (subject to availability).

Child Policy

- No child discounts. Full price applies for all children travelling with their parents.
- Valid for all ages.

Please note: Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors allowed.

Triple Share

Not Available

Bedding Configuration

Twin or Double bedding (subject to availability).

Adjoining / Interconnecting Rooms

Subject to availability and at the hotels discretion. Please enquire on booking if you require this option.

GENERAL TOUR INFORMATION

Minimum group size 20, maximum group size 44 per vehicle.

Optional Tours / Activities

- Day 2: Chengdu - The famous Giant



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Panda Breeding and Research Base of Chengdu, a traditional Sichuan Hot Pot dinner and a Sichuan Opera cultural show – 650 RMB per person (approx. \$135 AUD)

- Day 4: Three Gorges Dam – 400 RMB per person (approx. \$82 AUD)
- Day 5: Shennong Stream – 400 RMB per person (approx. \$82 AUD)
- Day 6: Fengdu Ghost City – 400 RMB per person (approx. \$82 AUD)
- Day 7: Chongqing In-depth Tour – 200 RMB per person (approx. \$40 AUD)

Please note:

- prices are based on per person, are subject to availability, time permitting and weather conditions, and are payable direct to the tour operator in the currency specified
- Some tours require minimum numbers to operate.
- Shore excursions can be booked/reserved directly with the cruise line prior to travel (subject to availability)
- Shore excursions can also be booked whilst onboard (subject to availability).

EXCLUSIONS

- Visa fees and requirements (A tourist visa for China is a strict requirement if travelling on an Australian passport).
- Meals/beverages not stated in the itinerary.
- The ITOF of AUD\$150 is payable upon arrival into China directly to your Tour Leader or as your Tour Leader directs.
- Mandatory gratuities/tipping: \$12 AUD per person per day where tour or transfer services are provided (this will include day of arrival and departure and whilst cruising).
- Optional activities/tours.
- Personal expenses.
- Travel insurance (Mandatory).

Please note: A comprehensive travel Insurance policy must be organised BEFORE all details can be finalised.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

In-Country Transport Operator Fees (ITOF) - Second Person Only

- The second person travels free, except for a mandatory payment of \$150 AUD ITOF additional to the tour price, which may be applied by the tour leader towards any in-Country taxes, fees and any additional carrier, tour, transfer and logistic charges.
- The ITOF of \$150 AUD is payable upon arrival into China directly to your Tour Leader or as your Tour Leader directs (This is not a fee or charge payable to Trip A Deal). No change is available so please ensure you have the exact amount in Australian Dollar notes.
- The ITOF is separate and distinct from your tour price which is paid directly to Trip A Deal when you book and prior to your departure from Australia.
- The ITOF helps to keep the costs of a Trip A Deal 2 for 1 tour as low as possible and is intended to save on operational and administrative costs so we may pass the savings on to you.

TOUR GUIDE VS. TOUR LEADER

Tour Guide:

Often locals with intimate knowledge of an area, its culture, and history. Their role entails providing commentary, routing the tour, and seeing that people have a good time. They are a licensed, qualified expert who supplies specific information on history, art, architecture and culture of the city/village/attraction in which he or she is guiding the tour. The guide meets the group at the required place and leaves the group at the end of the tour, they do not travel with the group.

Tour Leader:

An experienced person tasked with ensuring the smooth operation of tours, as well as providing practical support to passengers throughout the whole trip. Their role primarily includes assisting with accommodation, transportation between locations, and communication with tour guides in each stop. A tour leader may provide general guidance around a city or village, and offer information on the place visited on the

bus, however they are not required to have specific knowledge on art, architecture, or history. They are not allowed to provide a guided tour or commentary of a city/village/attraction once there and if caught doing so, can be fined.

Please note: Tour leaders/guides are not a standard inclusion in all travel offers. Tour leaders/guides will only be made available when particularly required to enhance the experience of the destination featured.

CLIMATE & AVERAGE TEMPERATURES

Chengdu:

Chengdu weather is mild and humid all year round, featuring four clear-cut seasons – short and warm spring, long and sultry summer, cool and rainy autumn, and cold and foggy winter. The distinctive characteristics of Chengdu climate is fog and humidity. There are fewer hours of sunlight per day, and the summer is hotter and the winter is colder than the temperature shows. The hottest month to visit is July with an average temp of 30C (86F) and the coolest month is January with an average temp of 9C (48F).

Yichang:

Yichang is in a sub-tropical monsoon climate zone with four distinct seasons. It enjoys abundant sunshine and rainfall, and the average annual temperature is around 15C (59F). June and July are the hottest months as well as the plum rain seasons-a period of unsettled weather with frequent, soaking rains and the temperature is about 25C (95F) on average.

Xi'an:

Xi'an experiences a temperate and continental monsoon climate and so the weather is generally mild and fairly moist and experiences four distinct seasons. There is a rainy season that arrives during the summer months but the



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high levels of rainfall rarely cause much damage to the city. Temperatures will average around 15°C to 20°C in Spring and heading into Summer.

FLIGHTS

Seat Selection & Frequent Flyer Points:

At TripADeal we do not arrange seat selection. It is important to highlight that some Airlines do not allow pre-selected seats. We strongly suggest you contact the Airline directly with seating allocation requirements and or arrive at the airport earlier to arrange your seating. While we do not add frequent flyer member details to bookings, you can do this directly with the Airline once you have your flight information.

Passport Validity:

Customers are required to provide valid passport details either at the time of purchase, or no later than 45 days prior to departure date. Failure to do so may result in cancellation of the booking. In this instance customers will be responsible for any costs and fees incurred.

CRUISE

Disembarkation:

- Begins approximately 2 hours after docking.
- Due to security reasons, all guests must be on board 2 hours before sailing.
- Itineraries are subject to change at any time without notice.
- Check your specific sailing for exact departure and arrival times. All times are local to the port.

Cruise Loyalty Discounts:

Please note: Travellers booked via TripADeal will not be entitled to receive any cruise line customer loyalty discounts. Similar to airline frequent flyer programs, this is outside of the TripADeal booking process. However, customers may contact the cruise line direct upon receiving their TripADeal travel documents to request any membership benefits they are entitled to.

COACH TOUR

Meals:

12 meals are included in the tour, for all other meals; lunches and dinners the tour leader (when available) will offer assistance with reservations, suggestions and directions to local restaurants. It is your responsibility to notify TripADeal of any dietary requests/requirements. Please note; we will do our best to meet your requests/requirements, however cannot guarantee that we will always be able to.

Luggage:

You will be responsible for all your personal belongings whilst on the tour. With regards to luggage, you must carry your own luggage from the coach to the hotel room and back to the coach. The driver will assist with the uploading and off-loading of the luggage from the coach.

OTHER

Fitness Level Required / Mobility:

Our vehicles are not equipped with wheelchair access, so unfortunately our tours are currently not suitable for wheelchair users and those less mobile.

Please note: a general level of fitness will be required. If you have any concerns please consult your healthcare provider prior to

purchase/travel.

Yellow Fever:

A valid international certificate of vaccination against Yellow Fever is required in many countries. You may need to present this on arrival at the airport or border crossing. Some countries will refuse entry if you are unable to present your certificate. It's also quite common for your home country to request a Yellow Fever certificate on your arrival back home.

It is your responsibility to check with your doctor well in advance of leaving home about the Yellow Fever requirements for the countries you'll be visiting.

Gratuities / Tipping:

Gratuities (tips) are not included in the tour price for services of the tour leader (when available) and driver throughout the tour. The mandatory tip is \$12 AUD per person per day, which will be collected whilst on tour (this will include the day of arrival and departure and whilst cruising) and will come to a total of \$84 AUD for the 8 day package or \$108 for the 10 Day package.

Sightseeing:

Please note: In the event entrance to a site is affected by changes in operating hours or public holiday closures, your itinerary will be adjusted to ensure you do not miss out on the experience.

Shopping:

Shopping overseas can be a daunting and confusing experience, especially when there is a language barrier. Please be very cautious when foreign currencies and prices are involved. If paying by credit card, please pay close attention to



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the amount you are being charged and keep all of your receipts.

Do not make any purchases you are not comfortable with or feel pressured into. If you are uncertain or need assistance with the language barrier, please seek assistance from your Tour Guide/Leader.

Please refer to our Terms and Conditions in regards to shopping for further information.

VISAS

A tourist visa for China is a strict requirement if travelling on an Australian Passport. You will be able to start your visa application process once you receive your final travel documentation approximately 6 weeks prior to departure.

TripADeal offers a fast, secure and easy service to obtain a Visa for this country - This visa can take approximately 2 weeks to complete.

Important: Please start arranging your visa at least 3 weeks prior to departure to account for any delays due to consulate operating hours.

Please note: Passengers who are not Australian citizens must check with the respective consulate or visa agency to determine what their visa requirements are and what personal identification is required. It is also important to note, some areas of employment such as journalism, government authorities and charity organisations may have additional restrictions in applying for Visas. This may in turn affect the type of application required.

INSURANCE

We are proud to offer a range of travel insurance products - please ask your Travel Consultant for more information.

SCHEDULE OF FEES

Please note: Due to limited availability, passenger name and date changes are strictly prohibited for this offer. This overrides the Schedule of Fees in our standard Terms & Conditions. No refunds will be issued once offer has been purchased.

