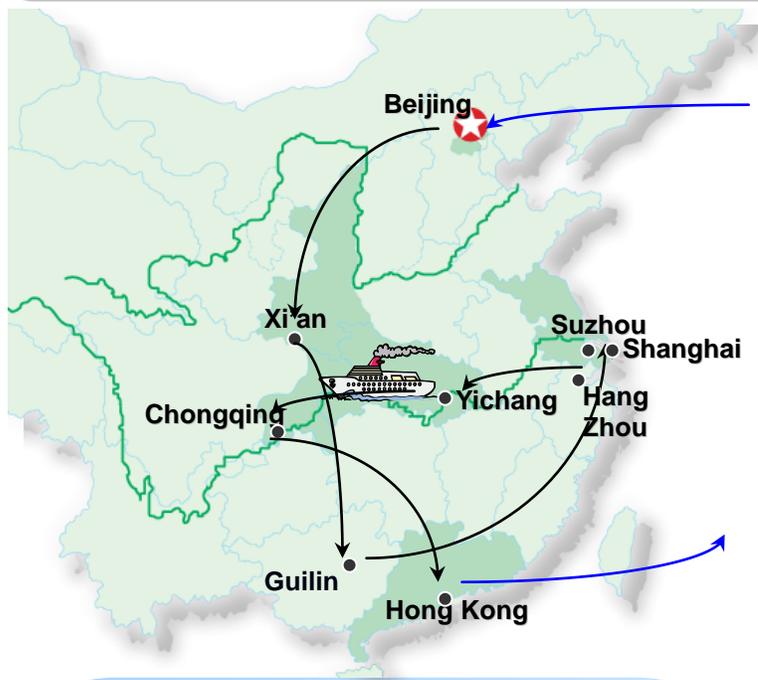


23-Day China Golden Experience

****Special for seniors club members****

Fr **\$3,999**+tax



Price	Departure from Toronto	Single Room Supplement
(United Airline) \$3,999.00 +\$450.00(airport taxes)	Oct.22,2008 Mar.18,2009	\$1,000.00
(Air Canada) \$4,299.00 +\$450.00(airport taxes)	Apr.29,2009	\$1,000.00

Highlight:

Ideal China tour program for seniors

- **Beijing** : Olympic Stadium, Forbidden City, Great Wall, Summer Palace, Temple of Heaven, Pecking Duck Dinner and Acrobatic Show
- **Xian**: Terra Cotta Warriors and Horses, Large Wild Goose Pagoda, Dumpling banquet and Tang Dynasty Dancing Show
- **Guilin**: Picturesque Guilin, Li River Cruise
- **Shanghai**: Shanghai Museum, Nanjing Road, Yuyuan Garden
- Traditional Water Town **Wuzhen**, Beautiful Garden in **Suzhou** and West Lake of **Hangzhou**
- Deluxe **Yangtze River Cruise**: East King
- Splendid **Hong Kong**

Flight information:

United Airline

(Schedule is subject to change without prior notice)

UA7794	Toronto-Washington D C	0829 - 1004
UA 897	Washington D C-Beijing	1219 - 1420
UA 896	Hong Kong-Chicago	1245 - 1420
UA8300	Chicago-Toronto	1545 - 1820

Air Canada

AC 031	Toronto-Peking	1535 - 1700
AC 016	Hong Kong-Toronto	1515 - 1805

Reservation:

Please call Danna at **416-222-8989**

- \$300.00/person deposit and airfare of \$1,300.00/person should be paid at time of reservation.
- The balance should be paid 30 days prior to departure.
- Payment method: Cash / Money order / Cheque
If pay by credit card, 3% merchant fee will be charged on the top.

Price includes:

- 1 Travel Accidental Insurance and medical insurance in China
- 2 Int'l & Domestic flights in economy class as indicated
- 3 First class or deluxe hotel accommodation as indicated
- 4 Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner as indicated
- 5 Guided sightseeing tours as indicated
- 6 Admission fees, shows, banquets, shore excursion as indicated
- 7 Professional English-speaking tour guide
- 8 Local transportation in China

Price NOT includes:

- 1 Airport taxes and fuel surcharges
- 2 Gratuity for tour guide and driver (total \$176.0+Cruise \$40.00)
- 3 Chinese Visa fee (\$50 for single entry + \$10.00 service fee)
- 4 Any personal expenditure, such as phone bills, laundry... etc
- 5 Travel Insurance (Trip Cancellation/Interruption)
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- 7 Any items not listed in the itinerary.

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Itinerary

DAY 01 Canada → Beijing

Starting your tour by taking flight to Beijing.

DAY 02 Arriving Beijing (D)

Arrive in Beijing, the capital of China. Your tour guide will greet you at the airport and transfer you to hotel.

Hotel: Jade Palace Hotel (5-star) or equivalent

DAY 03 Beijing (B/L/D)

Beijing served as the capital of 5 dynasties over a period of 800 years. Start your city tour with a visit to the Tiananmen Square, the largest public square in the world. Next stop is the Forbidden City. This complex, the largest and most intact conglomeration of ancient structures of the imperial palace ever built in the world, features more than 800 buildings with 9999 rooms, resplendent golden-glazed roofs, red lacquered pillars and vermilion walls. Then tour to the Temple of Heaven, which was used to offer sacrifices to heaven and pray for good harvest in ancient times. Enjoy the famous Peking Duck dinner in the evening.

Hotel: Jade Palace Hotel (5-star) or equivalent

DAY 04 Beijing (B/L/D)

The highlight of today is a trip to the astonishing Great Wall at Juyongguan Pass. The Great Wall is the most famous image of China throughout the world. It is a symbol of Chinese traditional culture and the pride of the Chinese nationality. After lunch you will visit the Sacred Path of Ming Tombs, 13 of the 16 Ming emperors have their tombs here. This is an attractive destination as much for the natural scenery of the area as for the tombs themselves. Visit the Cloisonné Factory and the biggest Jade Exhibition Center in Asia. Go back to the city and experience the local's daily life by visiting Hutongs, the old alleyways on Rickshaws. Enjoy the famous acrobatic show in the evening.

Hotel: Jade Palace Hotel (5-star) or equivalent

DAY 05 Beijing (B/L)

Morning we take a tour to visit Beijing 2008 Olympic National Stadium (Bird's Nest) and National Aquatics Centre (Water Cube) (outside look only). Then we will go to the Summer Palace, the largest ancient preserved garden in China and a former summer resort for Emperors and the chosen few. Then visit Silk Carpet Factory. After lunch you will have a free time to explore the city by yourself.

Hotel: Jade Palace Hotel (5-star) or equivalent

DAY 06 Beijing → Xi'an (B/L/D)

Fly to Xi'an in the morning. It was the first Chinese city to open up its doors to the world during the Tang Dynasty. Over a period of more than 2,000 years, X'ian was the capital for eleven dynasties. Upon arrival you will go sightseeing of the Terra Cotta Warriors and Horses, the attached defending army to the first emperor of China, it is regarded as "the eighth wonder of the world" and among the top archaeological excavations of the 20th century.

Enjoy the Dumpling Banquet dinner and the Tang Dynasty Singing and Dancing Show in the evening

Hotel: Grand New World Hotel (4-star) or equivalent

DAY 07 Xian (B/L/D)

Visit the Shaanxi Provincial History Museum in the morning. After lunch visit the Ancient City Wall which is one of the largest and most complete ancient military defense systems in the world. Then visit the Large Wild Goose Pagoda, the symbol of the city, it is said to have been built to house and protect Buddhist scriptures collected by the Chinese monk, Xuan Zang, the key figure in *Journey to the West*.

Hotel: Grand New World Hotel (4-star) or equivalent

DAY 08 Xi'an → Guilin (B/L/D)

Fly to Guilin, the city which is hailed by many as the most beautiful place in China and is one of the must-see destinations for most tourists. According to a popular Chinese saying, Guilin's scenery bests all others in the world. Its shapely-rising limestone towers and crystal-clear waters are often portrayed in Chinese artworks. Adding to its natural beauty are many fascinating caves. Sightseeing the Elephant Trunk Hill and visit Guilin Art Museum. In the evening you will enjoy a Minority Dancing and Singing Show.

Hotel: Guilin Park Hotel (4-star) or equivalent

DAY 09 Guilin (B/L/D)

Take a boat cruise trip from Guilin along the Lijiang River for one of the finest excursions on your tour of China. The journey downstream to Yangshuo offers 30 miles of breathtaking scenery. Sightseeing the Reed Flute Cave. The limestone karst formation in this area is extensively eroded underground and Reed Flute Cave is one of the finest examples of these caves. Visit the free market.

Hotel: Guilin Park Hotel (4-star) or equivalent

DAY 10 Guilin → Shanghai (B/L/D)

Fly to Shanghai in the morning. Upon arrival you may stroll the Nanjing Road and the Bund (Wai Tan), a sweeping area along the Huangpu River, where used to be foreign concessions and now is the symbol of modern Shanghai. Here is the best place to capture the western influence in the old days. Then you will visit the Yuyuan Garden which is one of the best private gardens in ancient China. After dinner you may take optional tour, the night cruise on the Huangpu River at your own expense.

Hotel: Holiday Inn Downtown Shanghai (4-star) or equivalent

DAY 11 Shanghai (B/L)

In the morning you will visit the Shanghai Museum. After lunch, it's free time for your own leisure.

Hotel: Holiday Inn Downtown Shanghai (4-star) or equivalent

DAY 12 Shanghai ⇄ Suzhou ⇄ Wuxi (B/L/D)

Take coach to Suzhou after breakfast. Suzhou has been praised as the “Paradise on the Earth” since ancient times and is an extraordinarily delicate and elegant city. Known as “Venice of the East”, Suzhou is built around the Grand Canal. The city’s many excellent classical gardens have entitled Suzhou the “Garden City”. Our sightseeing includes the **Tiger Hill** and **Garden of the Master of the Nets**. Followed by a boat cruise on the Grand Canal and a visit to the silk mills. Travel by motor coach to Wuxi after enjoying the Silk Fashion Show. Stay overnight in Wuxi.

Hotel: Xizhou Garden Hotel (4-star) or equivalent

DAY 13 Wuxi (B/L/D)

Wuxi is also one of the oldest cities in China with a history of more than 3000 years. Visit the **Turtle Head Isle Park**, where you can enjoy the beauty of the Lake Tai, the third-largest lake in China. Visit the **Three Kingdom Movie Site**, which is called “the Hollywood in China”, and the Freshwater Pearls Farm.

Hotel: Xizhou Garden Hotel (4-star) or equivalent

DAY 14 Wuxi ⇄ Wuzhen ⇄ Hangzhou (B/L/D)

After breakfast, you will continue the trip to **Wuzhen**, a quiet water town with 1300 years history. The whole town consists of several islands connected by stone bridges of different styles and ages. Leave for Hangzhou in the afternoon. Upon arrival take the boat cruise on the magnificent **West Lake**, the symbol of the city and crammed full of interesting sights.

Hotel: Red Star Culture Hotel (4-star) or equivalent

DAY 15 Hang Zhou → Wuhan ⇄ Yichang ⇄ Three Gorges (B/L/D)

Hang Zhou is a city with a rich history and culture. Marco Polo described this place as “the most beautiful and magnificent city in the world”. Visit the **Yellow Dragon Cave**, and taste the well-known Dragon Well Tea at the No.1 tea plantation. Fly to Wuhan in the afternoon. Upon arrival visit **Wuhan Museum**. After dinner take coach to Yichang and board the 5-star deluxe Yangtze River cruiser and start your venture tour on the Yangtze River. With a rich Chinese cultural heritage of thousands of years, the Three Gorges is not only a picturesque natural gallery, but also a spectacular treasure house.

Cruise: East King (5-star)

DAY 16 Three Gorges (B/L/D)

The cruise will embark and depart Yichang Pier at 08:00am, then pass the **Xiling Gorge**, which is renowned for being extremely perilous and is the longest one of the Three Gorges. The water is full of turbulent currents and whirlpools and dangerous shoals. You will see the **Three Gorges Dam Project** and take a Shore Excursion from 14:00 to 17:00.

Cruise: East King (5-star)

DAY 17 Three Gorges(B/L/D)

In the morning you will take small boats to see the **Shennongxi Stream**. Then the cruiser will sail into the **Wu Gorge** and **Qutang Gorge**. The Wu Gorge boasts the most immediately beautiful and spectacular scenery of the Three Gorges. Flanking the river is a series of green mountains with precipices and peaks where the water zigzags forward and gives way to some attractive scenery. Although **Qutang Gorge** is the smallest among the Three Gorges, its water here flows most rapidly.

Cruise: East King (5-star)

DAY 18 Three Gorges (B/L/D)

Fengdu is traditionally known as the town of ghosts. Upon the Ming Shan Hill above the river is a temple with a number of halls and statues of ghosts and devils. There is also a park with displays of the imagined lives in hell. It is considered that all people’s ghosts, of whatever nationality, will come to Fengdu after death. Today you will visit the **Fengdu Ghost City**.

Cruise: East King (5-star)

DAY 19 Three Gorges⇄ Chongqing (B/L/D)

The cruiser will arrive at the mountain city Chongqing, the birthplace of Ba and Yu culture with the history of 3000 years. Upon arrival visit the **Three Gorges Museum**. And then take a coach to visit the **Panda House** where you will see Panda playing around.

Hotel: Wan you Conifer Hotel (4-star) or equivalent

DAY 20 Chongqing → Hong Kong (B)

Fly to Hong Kong in the morning. Upon arrival you may have free time in Hong Kong.

Hotel: Metropark Hotel Kowloon (3-star) or equivalent

DAY 21 Hong Kong

Today you will have a half day tour to visit the **Victoria Peak** for a panoramic splendor view of the city and **Stanley Market** which is famous for bargain shopping. Then return along the coastal line via Repulse Bay and Deep Water Bay to **Aberdeen**, the floating village for fish men. A stop at a local jewelry factory near Aberdeen offers a chance to look at the fine art and craftsmanship that has made Hong Kong famous in Asia.

Hotel: Metropark Hotel Kowloon (3-star) or equivalent

DAY 22 Hong Kong

Today is free on your own. Please enjoy the shopping heaven in Asia.

DAY 23 Hong Kong → Canada

Fly back to your sweet home.

Extend your stay is possible, based on request



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