



Day City Highlights

- 1 Airborne Meet your Group Director at the airport and start your journey to the other side of the world!
- 2 Beijing Arrive late afternoon and board shuttle for transfer to the hotel. Check into hotel, unpack, freshen up. Enjoy and authentic “family-style” Chinese dinner.
Authentic chinese breakfast (“western” options are also available) at the hotel. Shuttle out of the city to the Mutianyu section of Great Wall of China. Enjoy the views from the chair lift up to the base of the wall then tackle the short stair climb to the top. Stroll along the wall, take in the views, then ride a toboggan back down
- 3 Beijing (or walk if you prefer). Lunch on the way to Dingling and then explore the excavations of the Ming Tomb. Relax at the hotel and freshen up for dinner on the town. End the day with a sunset stroll through Olympic Park to see the “Bird’s Nest” and “Water Cube” lit up at night.
Navigate to Tiananmen Square for the dawn flag raising ceremony. Admire the National Center of the Performing Arts. Breakfast at the hotel. Tour of the Forbidden City with all-access pass that includes the Treasury and the Clock and Watch Gallery. Lunch before climbing Jing Shan Hill to take in the panoramic views of Beijing. Stroll through Bei Hai Park and spend the late afternoon in the Shichahai Scenic Area.
- 5 Beijing Early breakfast then navigate to the Summer Palace. Enjoy the cool breeze from the lake as you explore it’s many halls, pavilions, gates, and gardens. Lunch/shopping on Wangfujing Street before exploring the Temple of Heaven Park. Back to the hotel to relax, pre-pack, and freshen up for dinner. Enjoy the best Peking Duck in Beijing (China, and the world) at the farewell banquet.
Navigate to airport using Beijing’s public transport. Fly to Xi’an. Navigate to hotel using public transport. Lunch, then climb the Giant Wild Goose Pagoda and enjoy calligraphy lessons at the Small Wild Goose Pagoda. Admire the stone rubbing at the Beilin Museum before heading over to the Muslim Quarter to find the mosque, stroll through the night markets and try some Xi’an’s best known foods - like hot and sour dumplings, biangbiang noodles, and of course the Xi’an meat burger.
- 6 Xi’an Breakfast, then enjoy the views of Xi’an on a bicycle ride that follows the broad walkway along the top of the city’s defensive walls. Lunch, then board shuttle for a ride out to see Emperor Qin’s Terracotta Army and the Hua Qing Hot Springs made famous by the love story of Yang Guifei. Dinner at the hot springs, then enjoy the evening performance of “Song of Eternal Sorrow”.
- 7 Xi’an
- 8 Airborne Flight from Xi’an. Zài jiàn China!

