

**The best of China with Bonnie, celebrating 21 years taking groups to China - Beijing, Dunhuang, Xian, Chongqing, Cruzeiro Rio Yangtze, Hangzhou, Shanghai – May 24 – June 09, 2021**

**May 24, 2021 – Beijing – arrival**

Arrive Beijing, after immigration and customs formalities, transfer to hotel 5\*.

**May 25 – Beijing (B, L, D)**

Breakfast at hotel. Visit the Great Wall at Mutianyu including round-trip new cable car until the initial part. Lunch at a local restaurant. Return to Beijing to visit the Temple of Heaven.

Welcome dinner – Peking Duck.

**May 26 – Beijing (B, L)**

Breakfast at hotel. Visit the Imperial Palace known as the “Forbidden City”, lunch at a local restaurant. In the afternoon visit the Summer Palace.

**May 27 - Beijing / Dunhuang (B, L)**

Breakfast at no hotel. Transfer to airport for early flight to Dunhuang. Arrive Dunhuang, visit the Dunhuang Museum. Lunch at a local restaurant. Visit the Mogao Visitor Center followed by a visit to the Mogao grottoes. Transfer to hotel Sand Dunes 4\* or similar. In the evening suggest visit the Night Market for shopping and dinner on your own. ao Museu de Dunhuang. Almoço em restaurante local. Visita ao Centro de Visitants de Mogao seguido da visita as grutas de Mogao. A noite recomendamos visitar o Mercado Noturno para compras e jantar por conta propria.

**May 28 – Dunhuang (B, L)**

Breakfast at hotel. Visit – Sand Dunes and Crescent Moon Lake. Lunch at a local restaurant. Visit Yumenguan Pass, “The Great Wall of Han Dynasty”. In the evening suggest visit the Night Market for shopping and dinner on your own.

**May 29 – Dunhuang / Xian (B, L)**

Breakfast at hotel. Free morning for shopping or walking around the sand dunes. Lunch at a local restaurant. Transfer to airport for flight to Xian. Arrive Xian, transfer to 5\* hotel. Optional foot reflexology.

**May 30 – Xian (B, L, D)**

Breakfast at hotel. Visit the Terracotta Warriors Museum. Lunch at a local restaurant. Afternoon visit the Dayan Pagoda. Around 6:00 p.m. depart for the wonderful “Tang Dynasty show and dinner”.

**May 31 – Xian / Chongqing (B, L, D)**

Breakfast at hotel. Visit the Mosque built in the 6th Century and pass by the Muslim street.

Fast lunch. Transfer to airport for flight to Chongqing. Arrive Chongqing, panoramic visit, followed by “hot pot” dinner before transferring to Victoria Cruises for our Yangtze River Cruise – Bridge Deck superior cabins.

9:00 p.m. – Victoria Ana or similar sails from Chongqing.

[www.victoriacruises.com](http://www.victoriacruises.com)

### **June 01 – Yangtze River Cruise (B, L, D)**

After breakfast excursion to Jade Emperor Scenic Area close to Fengdu with the largest image of a Jade Buddha in the world. Depending on the river conditions the tour could be changed to a visit to Shibaozhai with an impressive wooden pagoda.

### **June 02 – Yangtze River Cruise (B, L, D)**

Entering the “Three Gorges / Small Gorges” – today we will pass by the first two Gorges - Qutang Gorge (the smaller – 5 miles and narrower) and Wu Gorge – 25 miles long known for its forest covered by mountains. Transfer to a small boat for a tour of the attractive Goddess Stream Gorge. Depending on the river conditions another alternative would be pass by Shennon Stream. Entering Xiling Gorge, the longest (41 miles) and the deepest.

### **June 03 – Three Gorges Dam / Yichang / Hangzhou (B)**

After breakfast visit The Three Gorges Dam at Sandouping at Xiling Gorge –the largest dam in the world. Optional tour for those who want to visit the largest ship lock in the world. After the visit, Victoria Cruises will provide a bus to take us to Yichang.

Transfer to Yichang Airport for flight to Hangzhou. Arrive Hangzhou, transfer to 5\* hotel. In the evening, depending on the weather, attend a beautiful performance at West Lake - “Impressions of West Lake”.

### **June 04 - Hangzhou (B, L)**

Breakfast at hotel. Visit Hangzhou, highlights: Lingyin Temple, boat ride on West Lake, Tea Plantation and Six Harmonies Pagoda.

### **June 05 - Hangzhou / Shanghai (B)**

Breakfast at hotel. Transfer by high speed train to Shanghai. Arrive Shanghai, check-in at hotel. Lunch on your own at Xintiandi (over 100 options), visit Fuxing Park, walk around the Bund and boat ride on Huang Pu at 6:30 p.m.

### **June 06 – Shanghai (B, L)**

Breakfast at hotel. Visit the Jade Buddha Temple with two statues of jade from Myanmar, visit a silk factory, lunch at a local restaurant. Visit the Yu Yuan Garden, some free time to walk around Old Town with hundreds of shops. In the evening ERA acrobatics.

### **June 07 – Shanghai (B, L)**

Breakfast at hotel. Visit Pearl TV Tower for a panoramic view of Shanghai and the museum of the city of Shanghai on the ground floor. Lunch at a local restaurant. Visit the Science and Technology Museum or the market on the underground level. Visit Cyber Plaza for 30 minutes.

### **June 08 - Shanghai**

Braga Travel Consulting – [www.chinalife.com](http://www.chinalife.com) – [www.bonniebraga.com](http://www.bonniebraga.com) – phone: 1305-6069894 – 1305-3824294 – email: [braga.bonnie@gmail.com](mailto:braga.bonnie@gmail.com) [frances@bragatravelconsulting.com](mailto:frances@bragatravelconsulting.com)

Breakfast at hotel. Free day.

**June 09 - Shanghai / Return (B)**

Breakfast at hotel. Transfer to airport for return flight. End of trip to China.

**Price per person double / twin occupancy: USD5984.00; price for single: USD7945.00**

Price includes:

- 3 nights 5\* hotel in Beijing, 2 nights 4\* in Dunhuang, 2 nights 5\* in Xian, 2 nights 5\* hotel in Hangzhou, 4 nights 4.5\* in Shanghai – with breakfast and taxes.
- Bridge deck cabin onboard Victoria Cruises – [www.victoriacruises.com](http://www.victoriacruises.com)
- Economy class airfare including taxes and fees: Beijing / Dunhuang / Xian / Chongqing – Yichang / Hangzhou.
- Fast train Hangzhou / Shanghai
- Entrance fees to sites mentioned
- English speaking guides in Beijing, Dunhuang, Xian, Shanghai, Hangzhou, Chongqing, Yichang and during the cruise.
- Full board days 2 and 3 of Yangtze River Cruise; 10 lunches in local restaurants with one glass of bottled water or refreshment or beer – special Peking duck dinner in Beijing, Tang dynasty show and dinner in Xian, a “hot pot” dinner in Chongqing. ng.
- Tips to porters, guides, and drivers

Price does not include:

- Travel insurance (highly recommended) check with your travel agent; tips for cruise staff, personal expensive, meals not mentioned Seguro de viagem – altamente recomendavel fale com o seu agente de viagem, , gorjeta no cruzeiro, despesas pessoais, refeições não mencionadas, bebidas extras durante as refeições.

Form of payment: payments can be made by Visa or Mastercard; check or deposit to Braga Travel account at Wells Fargo and Bank of America up to 8 installments when the last one should be by April 15, 2021