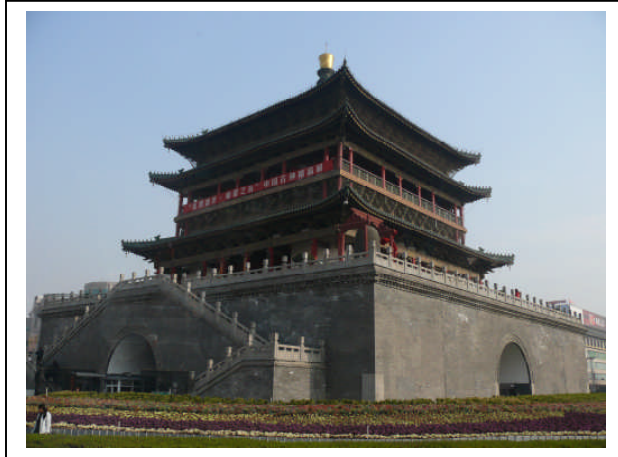


Visit the People's Republic of China-- March 4-19, 2010
16-Day Yangtze River Experience, including 4 nights cruising on the Yangtze!



Travel with KATHY MORONEY, experienced escort.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 nights Beijing • 1 night Xi'an • 2 nights Guilin, including Li River cruise • 3 nights Yangtze River Cruise, with balcony • 1 night Wuhan • 1 night Suzhou, with Grand Canal cruise | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 nights Shanghai • Yangtze River Three Gorges • All shore excursions on the river • Yangtze Three Gorges Dam locks • Three Lesser Gorges or Shennong Stream • Fengdu or Wanxian |
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PRICE INCLUDES:

International and domestic air tickets with petrol surcharges
 Transfers and sightseeing
 Hotels (5* and 4*) and meals per itinerary
 English-speaking guides
 Special Events:
 Shanghai acrobatic show; Beijing Duck dinner;
 Xi'an dumpling banquet & Tang Dynasty Songs/Dances Show

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

International and domestic airport taxes (\$463)*
 China visa fee (\$145)*
 Any petrol surcharges added after June '09*
 National guide tips (\$38)*
 Tips and items of a personal nature
 Trip Interruption and Cancellation Insurance
 *\$646 to be included with final payment

Prices based on international air out of San Francisco.

RT Air Add-on --\$160 plus taxes/fees from LAX; \$180 from Seattle, San Diego, Phoenix, or Portland.
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Discounted price per person, double occupancy:	\$3,049 \$2,899
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To reserve your space, complete an application form and submit it with your deposit to the contact below.

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Itinerary for the 16-Day China Yangtze River Experience (updated January 6, 2010)

- Day 1: Thursday 3/4 SFO / BEIJING**
Board **Air China** 986 at 1:50 pm for Beijing. Cross the International Date Line and lose a day.
- Day 2: Friday 3/5 ARRIVE BEIJING**
Upon your arrival at 5:55 pm, meet your guide and transfer to the 5* **Pullman Beijing West Wanda** for three nights.
- Day 3: Saturday 3/6 BEIJING (AB, L, D)**
After breakfast, visit *Tiananmen Square, the Forbidden City* (the residence of emperors for more than 500 years) and *The Summer Palace* (a summer resort for Empress Dowager Ci Xi). Visit the pearl factory before dinner.
- Day 4: Sunday 3/7 BEIJING (AB, L, D/SE)**
Visit the jade factory before the full day excursion to the spectacular *Great Wall*. Back in Beijing, tour the Olympic National Stadium, including the Bird's Nest. Tonight enjoy the traditional **Beijing Duck Banquet**.
- Day 5: Monday 3/8 BEIJING / XI'AN (AB, L, D/SE)**
Take morning flight to Xi'an (tentatively CA 1203 7:30a-9:20a). Visit the burial site of an incredible army of 8,000 lifelike *terra-cotta warriors*. Top off the day with a **Dumpling Dinner** followed by the **Tang Dynasty Culture Show!** Check into the 5* **Xi'an Grand Nobel Hotel (5*)** or similar.
- Day 6: Tuesday 3/9 XI'AN / GUILIN (AB, L, D)**
Visit the ancient City Wall and the majestic Wild Goose Pagoda along with an art/handicraft factory. Take an evening flight to Guilin (tentatively CA 1225 6:25 pm-8:10 pm); have dinner and check into the 5* **Lijiang Waterfall Hotel** for two nights.
- Day 7: Wednesday 3/10 GUILIN (AB, L, D)**
Spend the day aboard a scenic *Li River* cruise, passing through picturesque farms and fishing villages. With its thousands of limestone outcroppings, Guilin has been an inspiration for generations of silk scroll painters. Return to Guilin for *Reed Flute Caves* and tea factory visits.
- Day 8: Thursday 3/11 GUILIN /CHONGQING (AB, L, D)**
City tour features *Elephant Trunk Hill*. Take morning flight to Chongqing (tentatively CZ 3859 10:30 am-11:35 am). Have a city tour and visit the Panda Zoo before boarding the 5* **Victoria Queen**. Balcony cabin for three nights.
- Day 9: Friday 3/12 YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE (B, L, D)**
Cruise down the river. Today is a shore excursion to the ancient city of **Shibaozhai** or to **Wanxian** (the captain makes the decision based on water flow and river traffic). **Enjoy a welcome cocktail party hosted by the captain.**
- Day 10: Saturday 3/13 YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE (B, L, D)**
Today you pass through Qutang Gorge and Wu Gorge (two of the Three Gorges). You will enjoy a shore excursion to **Shennong Stream** or **Three Lesser Gorges**. Enter Xiling Gorge (the last one of the Three Gorges). In the evening, sail through the new **Three Gorges Dam ship-locks**. Enjoy a **farewell banquet** in the evening.
- Day 11: Sunday 3/14 YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE (B, L, D)**
Today you have a shore excursion to the famous **new five-stage Three Gorges Dam** site at Sandouping. Sail to Yichang and disembark after lunch. Meet your bus and local guide for your drive to Wuhan. Stop at the Jingzhou historical museum to see 2,000 year old mummies. Upon arrival in Wuhan check into the 4* **Riverside Holiday Inn Hotel**.
- Day 12: Monday 3/15 JINGZHOU/WUHAN (B, L, D)**
After breakfast, take a flight to Shanghai (tentatively MU 2503 10:30 am-11:55 am). Board a coach to Suzhou and tour the *Master of the Nets Garden*. Check into the 5* **Grand Metro Park Hotel**.
- Day 13: Tuesday 3/16 WUHAN/SHANGHAI (AB, L, D/)**
After breakfast, cruise on the **Grand Canal** and visit the *Silk Factory* or *Embroidery Institute*. Afternoon coach back to Shanghai. Check into 5* **Four Points Sheraton, Daning location** for three nights.
- Day 14: Wednesday 3/17 SHANGHAI (AB, L, D/SE)**
Today's sightseeing introduces the major attractions of the city, including *Yuyuan Garden* and the silk carpet factory. Enjoy **Acrobatic Show** at night.
- Day 15: Thursday 3/18 SUZHOU/SHANGHAI (AB, L)**
Visit the Bund. Lunch is last time we're all together. After lunch you'll be dropped off at the famous Nanjing Road to enjoy your free half-day activities. Optionally you can take the bus back to the hotel. Last night in Shanghai.
- Day 16: Friday 3/19 SHANGHAI / SFO (AB)**
After breakfast, transfer to the airport and take **Air China** 985 to San Francisco. Depart 11:10 am and arrive 12:20 pm. (For those going to Hong Kong, you'll take a different flight.) (Flight stops in Beijing 2 ½ hours for security check.)

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B=Breakfast
L=Lunch
D=Dinner
SE=Special Event