



CHINA HERITAGE Tour

2027

Beijing | Luoyang | Shaolin | Xi'an | Wudang | Hangzhou | Suzhou | Shanghai

14 Days / 13 Nights Premium Culture Tour

with 4-Star Hotels Throughout

Tour Highlights - 14 Days China Heritage Tour

- Imperial Beijing in depth: UNESCO Temple of Heaven, the magnificent Forbidden City, the iconic Great Wall and the stunning Summer Palace
- Traditional Chinese Medicine cultural experience in Beijing and a visit to the historic Hu Qing Yu Tang TCM Museum in Hangzhou
- Luoyang Longmen Grottoes: a UNESCO listed masterpiece of Chinese Buddhist art
- Legendary Shaolin Temple: the birthplace of Zen Buddhism and Chinese kung fu, with a Shaolin kung fu class
- Xi'an, the ancient Silk Road capital: the world-famous Terracotta Army, the Ancient City Wall and the lively Muslim Quarter
- UNESCO listed Wudang Mountains: the sacred home of Taoism, with a Tai Chi class led by a Taoist master
- Hangzhou, 'paradise on earth': a leisurely West Lake cruise, Lingyin Temple and a Longjing tea plantation experience
- Suzhou, the 'Venice of the East': exquisite classical gardens, historic Pingjiang Road and a Grand Canal cruise
- Classic Shanghai finale: Yuyuan Garden, Jade Buddha Temple, Xintiandi, Nanjing Road and the Bund
- Comfortable travel throughout: high-speed bullet trains between Beijing, Luoyang, Xi'an and Shiyuan, plus a direct flight from Wudangshan to Hangzhou

Day 1 | Germany to Beijing

Dinner on flight

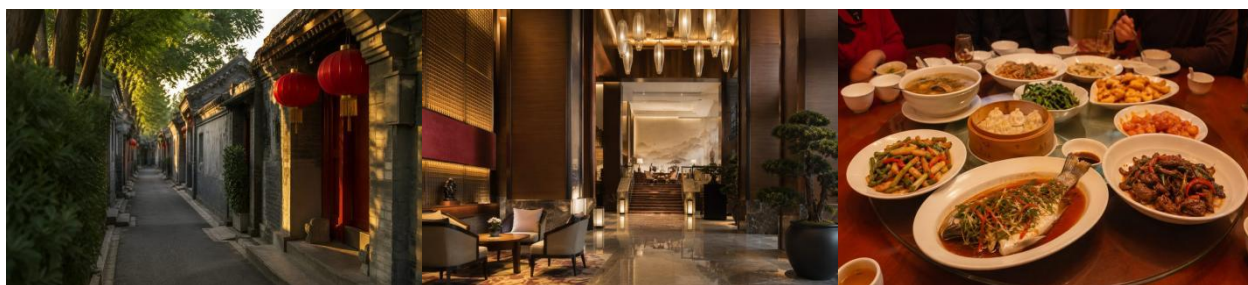
Depart on your scheduled overnight flight to Beijing. Enjoy in-flight meals and entertainment as you journey to China's captivating capital, where ancient imperial grandeur meets dynamic modern life.



Day 2 | Beijing - Arrival

Includes Dinner

Upon arrival in Beijing, you will be met by your local guide and transferred to your hotel. The remainder of the day is at leisure to rest after your journey. In the evening, enjoy a welcome dinner and get acquainted with your fellow travellers.



Transfer Times: Drive approximately one hour from the airport to your hotel.

Overnight in Beijing

Day 3 | Beijing

Includes Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Following breakfast, you will have a full day of sightseeing starting with a visit to the UNESCO World Heritage Site, **the Temple of Heaven**, an iconic ancient architectural complex where emperors of the Ming and Qing dynasties worshipped heaven and prayed for good harvests. Watch locals practising tai chi and morning exercises in the surrounding park.

After lunch, visit the magnificent **Forbidden City**, the largest surviving ancient wooden imperial palace complex in the world. Wander through the grand courtyards and halls once home to emperors, eunuchs and all the life of the Chinese court, and admire the wondrous UNESCO listed Imperial Palace.



Overnight in Beijing

Day 4 | Beijing

Includes Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Today's sightseeing begins at the iconic **Great Wall of China**, built over 2,000 years ago to guard the Chinese Empire against invaders from the north. You will visit the Juyongguan section, one of the three most famous passes along the wall, and walk along its ancient ramparts winding across the mountain ridges.

In the afternoon, enjoy **a traditional culture experience** - a Traditional Chinese Medicine cultural visit, which carries thousands of years of Chinese medical wisdom featuring herbal therapy, acupuncture and massage. You can enjoy immersive experiences such as herb identification and pulse diagnosis. In the evening, indulge in **a traditional Peking duck dinner**, a celebrated dish renowned for its crispy skin and tender meat.



Overnight in Beijing

Day 5 | Beijing to Luoyang Longmen by Bullet Train

Includes Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

This morning, visit the stunning UNESCO listed **Summer Palace**, China's largest and best-preserved royal park and a masterpiece of Chinese landscape garden design. Stroll along the shores of Kunming Lake and admire the elegant pavilions, bridges and the famous Long Corridor.

After lunch, you will be transferred to the railway station for your high-speed train G361 (15:05 / 18:04) to Luoyang Longmen. Upon arrival, drive to Dengfeng at the foot of the sacred **Songshan Mountain** and check in to the Zhongzhou Shaolin International Hotel. Dinner is arranged at the hotel.



Transfer Times: Drive from your hotel to the station. Take a three hour bullet train from Beijing to Luoyang Longmen (G361, 15:05/18:04). Drive approximately one hour to Dengfeng.

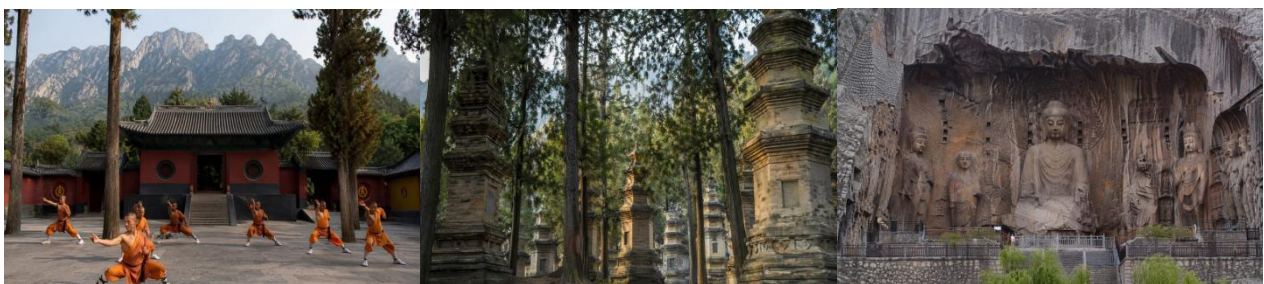
Overnight at Zhongzhou Shaolin International Hotel, Dengfeng

Day 6 | Shaolin Temple - Longmen Grottoes to Xi'an by Bullet Train

Includes Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

This morning, visit the legendary **Shaolin Temple**, the birthplace of Zen Buddhism and **Chinese kung fu**, nestled at the foot of Songshan Mountain. You will take part in a kung fu class with a temple master to learn the basic movements of Shaolin boxing, and then watch a thrilling Shaolin martial arts performance by the temple's warrior monks. Explore the serene temple courtyards and the remarkable Pagoda Forest.

After lunch, drive back to Luoyang to visit the UNESCO listed **Longmen Grottoes**, one of the finest examples of Chinese Buddhist art, where more than 100,000 statues of Buddha and his disciples were carved into the limestone cliffs along the Yi River over 1,500 years ago. In the evening, take the high-speed train G361 (18:08 / 19:23) to Xi'an. Dinner is arranged in Xi'an upon arrival.



Transfer Times: Drive approximately one and a half hours from Dengfeng to Luoyang Longmen. Take the bullet train from Luoyang Longmen to Xi'an (G361, 18:08/19:23).

Overnight in Xi'an

Day 7 | Xi'an

Includes Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Today you will visit one of the greatest archaeological discoveries of the 20th century, the UNESCO listed **Terracotta Army**. Marvel at the thousands of life-sized warriors and horses standing in battle formation, each with individually sculpted features, guarding the tomb of China's first emperor for over 2,000 years.

In the afternoon, wander through the lively **Muslim Quarter** in the shadow of the Drum Tower, a maze of bustling food stalls and souvenir shops where you can sample local snacks and soak up the atmosphere of the old Silk Road terminus. In the evening, enjoy the spectacular **Tang Dynasty Music and Dance Show**, a colourful performance recreating the splendour of China's golden age.



Overnight in Xi'an

Day 8 | Xi'an to Shiyan by Bullet Train

This morning, walk or cycle atop **Xi'an's magnificent Ancient City Wall**, the most complete city wall to survive in China, and enjoy panoramic views over the old town. Continue to **the Big Wild Goose Pagoda**, the well-preserved Buddhist pagoda built to house the sacred sutras brought back from India by the monk Xuanzang.

After lunch, transfer to the station for your high-speed train to Shiyan, the gateway to the Wudang Mountains. Upon arrival, check in to the Four seasons International Hotel (4-star). Dinner is arranged locally.



Transfer Times: Drive from your hotel to the station. Take a bullet train of approximately three hours from Xi'an to Shiyan. Drive from the station to your hotel.

Overnight at Shiyan

Day 9 | Wudang Mountains

Enjoy a full day exploring the UNESCO listed **Wudang Mountains**, the sacred home of Taoism and the birthplace of Tai Chi. Visit the Golden Hall on Tianzhu Peak, a gilded bronze temple crowning the mountain summit, and the beautifully preserved Purple Cloud Palace and Nanyan Temple, where ancient monasteries cling dramatically to the cliff faces among the clouds.

During the day, join a **Tai Chi class with a Taoist master** and learn the graceful, flowing movements of this ancient martial art in its spiritual homeland. In the evening, watch a mesmerising Wudang martial arts performance.



Overnight at Wudang International Hotel (4-star), Shiyang

Day 10 | Wudang Mountains to Hangzhou by Flight

This morning, transfer to Shiyang Wudangshan Airport for your direct flight to Hangzhou (flight time approximately 1 hour 50 minutes; flight schedule subject to final confirmation). Hangzhou, the former southern capital, has been celebrated for centuries as 'paradise on earth'.

In the afternoon, enjoy a leisurely cruise on the UNESCO listed **West Lake**, drifting past willow-fringed causeways, graceful pagodas and scenic islets that have inspired poets and painters for a thousand years. Afterwards, visit the historic **Hu Qing Yu Tang Traditional Chinese Medicine Museum**, founded in 1874, an exquisite example of a classic Chinese pharmacy with its grand halls, carved wooden counters and fascinating displays of herbal medicine culture.



Transfer Times: Drive approximately one hour from your hotel to Shiyang Wudangshan Airport. Direct flight to Hangzhou of approximately 1 hour 50 minutes.

Optional program: Impression of West Lake Night performance.

Overnight in Hangzhou

Day 11 | Hangzhou

This morning, visit **Lingyin Temple**, the 'Temple of the Soul's Retreat', one of China's oldest and most significant Buddhist temples, set in a forested valley filled with ancient trees, streams and remarkable rock carvings at Feilai Peak. Continue to the **Six Harmonies Pagoda**, an octagonal Song dynasty masterpiece overlooking the Qiantang River, built to calm the tidal bore.

In the afternoon, travel to the emerald hills of **the Longjing tea plantations** for a tea culture experience. Walk among the terraced tea bushes, watch the leaves being pan-fired by hand, and taste authentic Dragon Well green tea where it is grown. This evening, relax and unwind with a soothing traditional **Chinese foot massage**.



Overnight in Hangzhou

Day 12 | Hangzhou to Suzhou by Bus - Evening to Shanghai

This morning, travel by coach to the garden city of **Suzhou**, often called the 'Venice of the East'. Visit the exquisite **Garden of the Master of the Nets**, the smallest yet most perfectly proportioned of Suzhou's UNESCO listed classical gardens, where pavilions, corridors and ponds are composed like a living painting. Continue to a silk factory to discover the 5,000-year-old art of Chinese silk making, from silkworm cocoon to shimmering fabric.

After lunch, stroll along historic **Pingjiang Road**, a charming canal-side lane lined with whitewashed houses, teahouses and little bridges, then enjoy a relaxing cruise on the ancient Grand Canal, gliding past waterfront homes and under graceful stone bridges. After dinner, drive onwards to Shanghai.



Transfer Times: Drive approximately two hours from Hangzhou to Suzhou. In the evening, drive approximately two hours from Suzhou to Shanghai.

Overnight in Shanghai

Day 13 | Shanghai

Following breakfast, embark on a full day tour of Shanghai, taking in the delights of the famous classical **Yuyuan Garden** and the lively **Old Town bazaar**, then explore the tree-lined streets of the former **French Concession** with its elegant 1920s villas.

After lunch, visit the **Jade Buddha Temple**, housing sacred jade-carved Buddha figures, whose elegant palatial halls and peaceful courtyards offer a taste of oriental Buddhist serenity. Then saunter around Xintiandi - 'The City's Living Room', an entertainment district with unique 1920s shikumen stone gate buildings. You will end the day strolling along **Nanjing Road**, the world's busiest shopping street, and the **Bund**, Shanghai's famous waterfront promenade facing the futuristic Pudong skyline. In the evening, enjoy a farewell dinner.

Optional program: night cruise on the Huangpu River (payable locally).



Overnight in Shanghai

Day 14 | Shanghai Departure

After breakfast, transfer to Shanghai Pudong International Airport for your return flight to Germany, taking with you unforgettable memories of China's imperial treasures, sacred mountains and timeless water towns.



Transfer Times: Drive approximately one hour from your hotel to the airport.

Cost Includes

- Meet and greet by our representative at the airport
- All accommodation as requested in 4-star hotels
- Accommodation on a twin-sharing basis as per the meal element mentioned
- Tours and transfers in an A/C vehicle
- Toll, parking, driver's allowance, and currently applicable taxes
- All entrance fees, guides, and daily tours
- Service of German-speaking or English-speaking representative throughout

Cost Excludes

- International flight tickets / domestic flights and internal train tickets
- Any other personal expenses that are not stated above, such as telephone calls, laundry, camera fees (still or video), tips, etc.
- Passports and visa fees (visa-free policy for many countries)
- Travel insurance
- Extra programs
- Tips to the guides, driver, and English-speaking representative throughout the trip

Group Prices (quoted in Chinese Currency CNY/person)

Group Size	Low Season 26th Nov 2026 to 21st Feb 2027	Shoulder Season 22nd Feb to 25th Mar 2027, 26th May to 25th Aug 2027 and 26th Oct to 25th Nov 2027	High Season 26th Mar to 25th May 2027 and 26th Aug to 25th Oct 2027
Chinese Currency	¥	¥	¥
10-15 persons	9988	11569	11980
16-20 persons	9869	10986	11650
21-25 persons	9580	10650	11280
Single supplement	2990	3680	3950
Airfare not included in the above package rates			
Wudang(Shiyan airport)-Hangzhou	CNY890/person including tax		
Tips for the guides and drivers	CNY50/person/day, CNY650 for 13days in total		

Tour Hotels (4 star hotels)

City	Hotel	Star	Nights
Beijing	Xinqiao hotel or same standard hotel	4	03 Nights
Luoyang(Dengfeng)	Zhongzhou Shaolin International Hotel	4	01 Nights
Xi'an	Jianguo hotel or Titian Times hotel	4	02 Nights
Wudang	Four Seasons International Hotel	4	02 Nights
Hangzhou	Mercure hotel or same standard	4	02 Nights
Shanghai	Ocean hotel or same standard	4	02 Nights

Hotels are subject to availability at the time of booking. Alternative hotels of equal standard will be proposed if the listed properties are not available.

Hotel Information

All hotels on this tour are 4-Star standard. Hotels are subject to availability at the time of booking. Alternative hotels of equal standard will be proposed if the listed properties are not available.

Booking Confirmation

Agreed on Behalf of Mercury Holidays	Agreed on Behalf of the Supplier
Signed: _____	Signed: _____
Date: _____	Date: _____

This itinerary is prepared exclusively for the quoted group and is valid for 14 days from the date of issue.