



Japan and China

Group tour

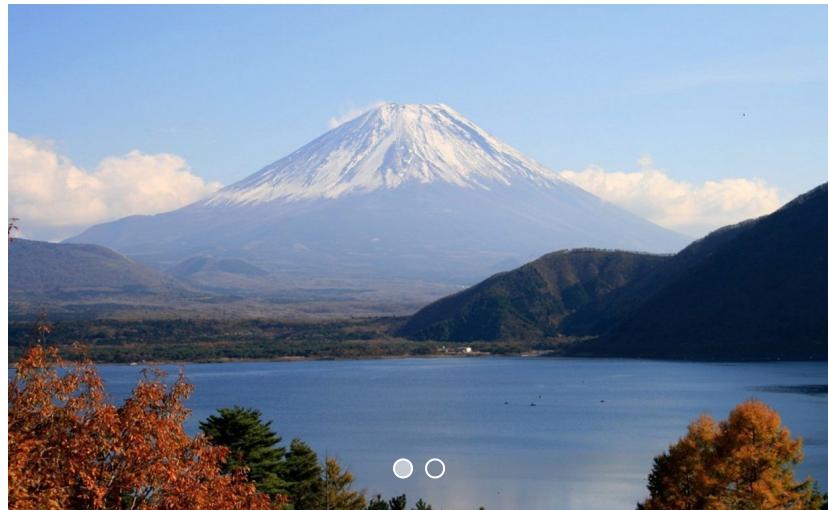
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Cultural highlights of two *fascinating* countries

An incredible twin-centre tour that takes you from the breathtaking views of Mount Fuji to the incredible Great Wall of China.

Experience the cultures and traditions of two nations that boast a fascinating history.

Start the tour in Japan's capital, Tokyo and enjoy five days exploring the essential attractions of Tokyo, Hakone, Kyoto and Nara. Visit the illustrious capital of China, Beijing, and the vibrant city of Xian, giving you a wonderful taste of China's most historic attractions. This 15 day tour provides a wonderful insight into the culture and history of both Japan and China.



Locations *you will* be visiting



Tokyo, Japan



Hakone, Japan



Kyoto, Japan



Beijing, China



Xian, China

Tokyo, Japan's busy capital, mixes the ultramodern and the traditional

2 Days

Hakone, just a few hours from Tokyo, is an ideal location when looking for a break from the big city...

1 Day

Kyoto, Japan's former capital, is home to 17 UNESCO World Heritage sites

2 Days

Beijing is the capital city of China and is the nation's political and cultural centre.

2 Days

Xian, the eastern starting point of the Silk Road, capital of Shaanxi province and one of China's ...

2 Days



Shanghai, China

A vibrant financial city
where tradition meets
innovation

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2 Days

YOUR TOUR ITINERARY

Japan and China

15 day Tour Itinerary

An overview of your trip

DAY 1 UK to Tokyo

Take your scheduled flight from the UK to Tokyo.

- Transport: Airplane

DAY 2 Arrive Tokyo

Upon arrival you will be met and transferred by shuttle bus to your accommodation. The rest of the day is at leisure.



DAY 3 Tokyo Morning Tour

Today, you will be picked up from your hotel to join Tokyo Morning Tour. Visit Meiji Shrine, the Imperial Palace Plaza and Double Bridge, and drive through Asakusa shopping district. Tour ends at Tokyo Station approx. 1 pm. The tour guide will inform you how to go back to your hotel. The rest of the day is free at leisure.

- Meals included: Breakfast

DAY 4 Tokyo to Mt. Fuji and Hakone

Please leave your main suitcase with the porter desk by 7:30 am, but keep an overnight bag with you for the



night in Hakone. After breakfast, you will be picked up from your hotel to join the day tour to Mt. Fuji and Hakone. Visit Mt. Fuji's 5th station in the morning and take the Hakone Ropeway, followed by a cruise on Lake Ashi. After the tour you will be transferred to your accommodation in Hakone by taxi.

- Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch
- Transport: Drive

DAY 5

Hakone to Kyoto and Nara Afternoon Walking Tour

After breakfast, make your way to the station by private car for your bullet train to Kyoto where, on arrival, an English speaking guide will meet you and transfer you to your accommodation. In the afternoon, discover Nara on a guided tour to the Todaiji Temple with Great Buddha, Nara Park, home to over 1,200 wild shika deer, which you can feed with a special snack, Shika-senbei, sold in the park, and the Kofuku-ji Temple, before returning to Kyoto.

- Meals included: Breakfast
- Transport: Bullet Train



DAY 6 Full Day Kyoto Tour

Today join a full day tour of Kyoto. Visit the impressive Kiyomizu-dera Temple, with its panoramic view of Kyoto. Continue to the Sanjusangendo Temple, a Buddhist temple filled with 1001 statues of Kannon, the Goddess of mercy and the intriguing Fushimi Inari Shrine with its brightly coloured Torii gates. This will be followed by Arashiyama, famous for its bamboo grove, and the Tenryu-ji Temple, a Zen temple with a beautifully landscaped garden. Walk through the scenic Sagano Bamboo Grove, where the bamboo towers above you on both sides and the last stop of the day is the beautiful Kinkaku-ji Temple (Golden Pavilion), where the top two floors are completely covered in gold leaf.

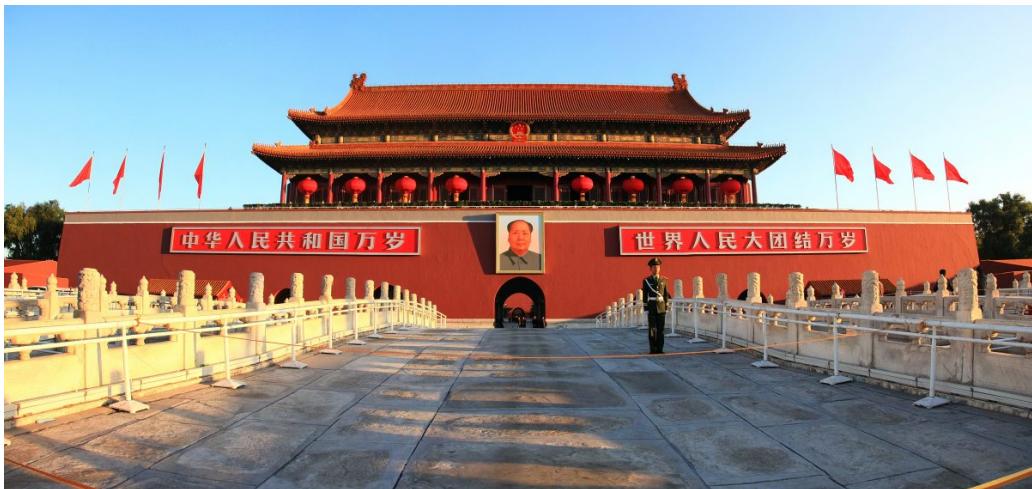
- Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch

DAY 7 Fly to Beijing

Transfer to Kansai Airport by shuttle bus for your flight to Beijing. Upon arrival, you will be met by your guide and transferred to your hotel for a three night stay. In the afternoon there will be time to relax or take a walk in the surrounding area. Your guide will be pleased to advise you on what you can do. In the early evening, enjoy dinner with your fellow group members.

- Meals included: Breakfast, Dinner

- Transport: Airplane



DAY 8 Beijing City Tour

This morning, visit the Temple of Heaven, where the Ming and Qing emperors worshipped the God of heaven, and you should see the tradition of Tai Chi practised in the courtyard. This will be followed by a stroll through Tiananmen Square, the largest square in the world, and the Forbidden City which served as the grand imperial palace for centuries. Your final stop of the day will be at the Hutongs, for an insight into the everyday life of traditional Beijing people.

- Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



DAY 9 Great Wall

Your day starts with a visit to the Great Wall at Mutianyu, a less-crowded post with breathtaking views. Mutianyu was built in the mid-6th century and its rich history can be observed in its well-preserved structure. This will be followed by an opportunity for photographs at the Birds Nest Stadium and Water Cube, venues for the memorable 2008 Olympics and 2015 World Championships. In the evening, enjoy a flavoursome Peking Duck Dinner, a local delicacy and a culinary must!

- Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 10 Beijing to Xian

In the morning take a trip to the Summer Palace, a magnificent collection of lakes, gardens, palaces in picturesque surroundings. Afterwards, relax on a boat ride on the beautiful Kunming Lake, before catching a bullet train to Xian (approx. 5 1/2 hours).

- Meals included: Breakfast
- Transport: Bullet Train





DAY 11 Terracotta Warriors

Your guide will escort you to the Terracotta Warriors, an amazing collection of 10,000 life size statues of the Chinese army made over 2,000 years ago. This will be followed by a visit to Xian's ancient city wall, which is best enjoyed on foot or by bike. This evening be entertained by a Tang Dynasty Show, whilst you enjoy a delicious dumpling dinner.

- Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



DAY 12 Xian City Tour and to Shanghai

Visit the Shaanxi Museum, home to over a quarter of a million artefacts on display, including treasures from many periods of China's history. At the next destination, the Small Wild Goose Pagoda, you will discover China's unique architectural style, and at your last stop, the Muslim Quarter, you will see local life in the community. Finally, you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Shanghai.

- Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch
- Transport: Airplane

DAY 13 Shanghai City Tour

The first attraction of the day will be the Yu Yuan Gardens, first designed in 1559 during the Ming Dynasty by Pan Yunduan. The Yu Yuan Gardens occupies an area of 5 acres and is home to beautiful pavilions, walkways, rockeries, streams, ponds, courtyards and flowers. Continue to the Jade Buddha Temple, which was built to house two large, intricate sculptures of Buddha. Afterwards you will spend time at the Shanghai Museum, followed by time at the Bund, the main waterfront attraction of this modern metropolis. Later, from the top of the Shanghai world financial centre, you can enjoy a breathtaking bird's eye view of the whole city.

- Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



DAY 14 Zhujiajiao

Today will start with a visit to Zhujiajiao, an ancient water town with a 1,700 year history, known as the Pearl Stream. You should see the Ming and Qing Dynasty bridges, two ancient and historic buildings, and the Ma family Garden before heading back to Shanghai for an afternoon at leisure for last minute shopping.



- Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch

DAY 15 Fly to UK

Transfer to the airport for your flight to the UK.

- Meals included: Breakfast
- Transport: Airplane

Optional Extras - Cultural Experiences

There is some free time in your itinerary for you to explore on your own, or treat yourself to an excursion. Use the links below to create a to-do list, or, if you'd prefer us to book you onto one of these or any other excursions, please let us know when booking your tour.



JAPAN

Japan: Gion Kimono Tour, Kyoto

Walk around Gion like a real Japanese in Kimono!

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JAPAN

Japan: Traditional Crafts

Join a workshop to make different Japanese traditional crafts, e.g. Ikebana flower arranging, Origami, Calligraphy, Japanese sweet making and Japanese pottery.

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CHINA

China: Tai Chi Lesson

Practise this ancient martial art with a Tai Chi lesson

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CHINA

China: Tea Tasting

Appreciate the varying blends of Chinese tea at a tasting

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YOUR HOLIDAY DETAILS

Departures and Prices 2020 / 21

Depart	Return	Days	Price from	Availability	Reservation
14/03/2020	28/03/2020	15	£4,198	Spaces available	>
28/03/2020	11/04/2020	15	£4,198	Spaces available	>
04/04/2020	18/04/2020	15	£4,198	Spaces available	>
02/05/2020	16/05/2020	15	£4,098	Spaces available	>
09/05/2020	23/05/2020	15	£4,098	Spaces available	>
30/05/2020	13/06/2020	15	£3,898	Spaces available	>
18/07/2020	01/08/2020	15	£4,398	Spaces available	>
01/08/2020	15/08/2020	15	£4,398	Spaces available	>
29/08/2020	12/09/2020	15	£4,598	Spaces available	>
05/09/2020	19/09/2020	15	£4,498	Spaces available	>
12/09/2020	26/09/2020	15	£4,498	Spaces available	>
03/10/2020	17/10/2020	15	£4,498	Spaces available	>

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price from **£3,898**

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WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- International and domestic flights in economy class
- Bullet train
- 3★ and 4★ accommodation
- Transfers
- English speaking guides
- Meals as specified
- Entrance fees to the sites listed
- Airport taxes
- Local tips in China: RMB390 (approx £45) per person,
- Personal spending
- Travel insurance
- China visa and fees

10/10/2020	24/10/2020	15	£4,498	Spaces available	>
17/10/2020	31/10/2020	15	£4,498	Spaces available	>
13/03/2021	27/03/2021	15	£4,398	Spaces available	>
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08/05/2021	22/05/2021	15	£4,398	Spaces available	>
29/05/2021	12/06/2021	15	£4,398	Spaces available	>

Single supplement from £998

Land only from £3,098

(without international flights)

Prices and products are subject to availability at the time of booking.

The deposit for these arrangements is £300 per person. Balance is due 12 weeks before departure.

When making an enquiry or reservation we will request your contact details, however no payment will be required at this stage. We will contact you for payment details and to confirm your booking, your details and the details of those travelling with you along with any extras you'd like to add.

TOUR MAP



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Dubai Stopover



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STOPOVERS • CITY



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