



**HIGHLIGHTS**

- Discover the first emperor of China's incomparable **Terracotta Army**
- Walk upon the massive, fortified **Ancient City Wall of Xi'an**
- Visit an icon of early Chinese Buddhism, the **Great Wild Goose Pagoda**
- Learn local history in the **Shaanxi Provincial History Museum**
- Enjoy an **Imperial Dumpling Banquet and Tang Dynasty Singing & Dancing Show**

**Day 1: Arrive in Xi'an**

Fly to Xi'an via connecting cities. Your tour guide will greet you at the airport and then transfer you to your hotel to rest.



**Day 2: Xi'an (B, L, D)**

The highlight today is a visit to the **Terracotta Army** to see the life-sized defending army of the first emperor of China, Qin Shi Huang. This site is among the top archaeological excavations of the 20th century. This will be followed by a visit to a ceramic art factory. In the evening, enjoy a special **Imperial Dumpling Banquet and traditional Tang Dynasty Singing & Dancing Show**.



**Day 3: Depart Xi'an (B, L)**

After breakfast, visit the **Shaanxi Provincial History Museum**. Enjoy a special noodle lunch including an interesting noodle making demonstration. Then visit the **Great Wild Goose Pagoda**, the symbol of the city. Later, walk along the **Ancient City Wall**, which is not only the most complete city wall to survive in China, but also one of the largest ancient military defence systems in the world. Fly out of Xi'an in the evening to continue your holiday.



During the Tang dynasty, Xi'an was the first Chinese city to open its doors to the wider world, ushering in huge changes through international trade and cultural exchange, and was the capital for eleven dynasties over a period of more than 2,000 years. Now the city is famed for the 'Terracotta Army' of Qin Shi Huang - the first ruler to unify the lands that became modern China. Take in one of the wonders of the ancient world with two nights in Xi'an.

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**2019 & 2020 DEPARTURES**

Contact us for availability

**AUD \$590** pp **LAND ONLY twin-share**  
Single supplement: \$120

**INCLUSIONS**

- + 2 nights 4 star (local rating) hotel accomm. (twin-share)
- + 2 breakfasts (B), 2 lunches (L) & 1 dinner (D)
- + Coach transportation & transfers
- + Entrance fees to scenic attractions

**EXCLUSIONS**

- Prepaid tipping: \$30
- China visa
- Travel insurance (strongly recommended)
- Personal expenditure

**HOTEL ACCOMMODATION (or similar)**

Xi'an Titan Times Hotel or similar

All prices are per person twin-share in AUD unless otherwise stated and subject to revision without notice. Itineraries, airlines, hotels & ships are subject to availability and change. Nexus Holidays reserves the right to provide substitutes of similar quality and adjust the itinerary as we see fit to ensure smooth operations. Several shopping stops are included as cultural learning experiences with no obligation to purchase local specialty products. Passengers must remain with the group at all times. Land only packages exclude international flights, but include domestic flights. Final itineraries may not be available approximately within 2 weeks before departure. Booking conditions apply, refer to website for latest information. ver17APR2019

**YOUR TRAVEL AGENT**



**HIGHLIGHTS**

- Relax aboard a cruise along the majestic **Yangtze River**
- Marvel at the scale of the massive engineering achievement of the **Three Gorges Dam**
- Paddle up tranquil **Shennong Stream**, named for a mythical sage-emperor of ancient China
- Visit the scenic two-centuries-old '**Precious Stone Fortress**' - **Shibaozhai**
- Enjoy a range of **Optional Activities and shore visits** should you desire

**Day 1: Arrive Yichang** **Yangtze River Cruise (D)**

Fly to the port city of Yichang, the starting point of our **Yangtze River Cruise** for the next four nights. After dinner, we board the cruise and receive an introduction on cruise events and onboard activities.

Arr/Dept	Events		
19:00-20:00	Board the ship at Yichang Dock	24:00	Departs Yichang



**Day 2: Yangtze River Cruise (B, L, D)**

Today, your cruise enters the Xiling Gorge. Named for Mount Xiling, this is the longest of the Three Gorges. In fact, Xiling Gorge comprises four smaller gorges with rather poetic names; Precious Sword, Horse Lung & Ox Liver, Soundless Bell, and Shadow Play.

Arr/Dept	Events		
08:00	Briefing on the cruise	08:00-09:00	Passing the Xiling Gorge (East Part)
09:00-11:00	Shore excursion: Three Gorges Dam Site		
11:00-13:00	Shore excursion: Visit tribe of Three Gorges (optional)		
13:30-15:30	Passing the Three Gorges Dam	16:00	Sail through 5-stage shiplock
18:00	Captain's Welcome Dinner	20:00	Evening entertainment

**Day 3: Yangtze River Cruise (B, L, D)**

Arr/Dept	Events		
06:30	Breakfast	08:00-12:00	Shore excursion: Shennong Stream
13:30-17:00	Sail through Wu Gorge and Qutang Gorge		
17:30	Shore excursion: White Emperor City (optional, river conditions permitting)		

**Day 4: Yangtze River Cruise (B, L, D)**

Arr/Dept	Events		
07:00	Breakfast	08:30-10:30	Shore excursion: Shibaozhai Pagoda
10:30-12:30	Shore excursion: Fengdu Ghost City (optional)		
18:00	Captain's Farewell Dinner		

**Day 5: Depart Chongqing (B)**

After breakfast, disembark from our cruise in the port city of Chongqing at 9am. Transfer to the airport for connecting flights home.

**Day 6: Arrive Home**



Pamper yourself by upgrading to a VIP package onboard your Yangtze River cruise extension. Note: Inclusions and prices are subject to change without prior notice.

**YANGTZE GOLD CRUISE +\$150**

- Free upgrade to higher floor (4th-5th floor)
- Complimentary coffee, tea and snacks at happy hour in the afternoon
- Access to VIP restaurant (an optional a la carte menu will be available at extra cost)
- Unlimited local wine, beer, and soft drinks at lunch and dinner
- Express check in and check out service
- Room turn-down service
- Welcome fruit basket in cabin
- VIP area reserved for evening entertainment
- 2 hours free internet for each sailing

A Yangtze River cruise is the thrill of a lifetime. You will enjoy the stunning picturesque scenery and amazing natural beauty of the famed Three Gorges: Qutang, Wu, and Xiling, while exploring historical relics and ancient cultural sites along the mighty river.

Enjoy shore excursions to explore the fascinating history and tranquil landscapes of the region, including the spectacle of Fengdu Ghost City, a peculiar site that contains statues of demons and ghosts that roam the after-world; the fun of drifting through Shennong Stream, which offers clear running waters, picturesque rock formations, and monkeys and goats along its banks; and the wonder of the Three Gorges Dam, the world's largest.

A Yangtze River cruise is a visual delight, full of pleasant surprises and many treasures waiting to be discovered. The images will stay with you long after you have returned home.

**2019 & 2020 DEPARTURES**

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**AUD From \$950 pp** **LAND ONLY twin-share**  
Single supplement: \$750

**INCLUSIONS**

- + 4 nights standard Cabin with private balcony
- + Daily meals as indicated (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)
- + Internal flights (operated by a local carrier)
- + Coach transportation & transfers
- + Entrance fees to scenic attractions
- + 3 shore excursions aboard Yangtze River Cruise (subject to change and favourable local conditions)
- + English speaking tour guide(s)

**EXCLUSIONS**

- Prepaid tipping: \$50
- China visa
- Travel insurance (strongly recommended)
- Personal expenditure

Cruise ship is subject to change. Triple share is not available. Nexus Holidays reserves the right to substitute the ship with one of similar standard. Cruise itinerary including all arrival, departure times & shore excursions are subject to change. All prices are per person twin-share in AUD unless otherwise stated and subject to revision without notice. Itineraries, airlines, hotels & ships are subject to availability and change. Nexus Holidays reserves the right to provide substitutes of similar quality and adjust the itinerary as we see fit to ensure smooth operations. Passengers must remain with the group at all times. Fees may apply for deviations from the set itinerary. Total length of trip includes time spent in flight and is subject to flight schedule. Final itineraries and flight info may not be available until 2 weeks before departure. Booking conditions apply, refer to website for latest information. ver11JUL2019

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