



## Shanghai, Wuzhen, Hangzhou, Zhangjiajie, Phoenix (PHZ) 2024

12 Days 10 Nights

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### Itinerary

#### DAY 1 USA—SHANGHAI, CHINA

Today, catch your international flight in the US and fly to Shanghai in China.

#### DAY 2 SHANGHAI

Arrive in Shanghai and after meeting your tour representative at the city's international airport, enjoy a transfer to your hotel in this exciting metropolis. After checking in, enjoy the remainder of the day to yourself, perhaps opting to relax at your deluxe hotel or get your first taste of China's most cosmopolitan city by diving into its vibrant culinary and shopping scenes.

Hotels :★★★★★ The Portman Ritz-Carlton Shanghai or Similar

#### DAY 3 SHANGHAI—WUZHEN

After breakfast, bid a temporary farewell to Shanghai as you journey southwest to the nearby ancient water town of Wuzhen. With origins stretching back 6,000 years, this photogenic town is criss-crossed with waterways flanked by traditional houses, roofed waterfronts, and arched stone bridges—giving it the nickname of the “Venice of the East.” On arrival, take a walking tour of Wuzhen's Xizha Scenic Area\*—one of four areas marked out by its canals—to explore the ancient passageways. Admire the historical houses—some perched on pillars above the water—and see highlights such as temples and the famous “Bridge Within a Bridge”—two connecting bridges that can be seen through each other's arches. Tonight, admire Wuzhen's red-lantern-lit lanes and enjoy a dinner of tasty local cuisine.

Included: Breakfast, Special Dinner

Hotels :★★★★★ Waterside Resort or Similar

#### DAY 4 WUZHEN—HANGZHOU

Check out of your hotel and enjoy a journey by coach to Hangzhou, the capital of Zhejiang province and a popular tourist spot for its West Lake—an iconic lake celebrated by China's poets and artists down the centuries. Begin your time in this garden city with a scenic cruise on the West Lake\*, followed by visits to two of the ten

most beautiful sites around the West Lake, “Fish Viewing at the Flower Pond” and “Winery Yard and Lotus Pool”. Absorb the timeless calm and Hangzhou’s forested hills as you glide by shores dotted with willows, pagodas and bridges. Then, head to a local restaurant for a dinner showcasing Hangzhou’s speciality local dishes. Later this evening, attend the “Impression West Lake - Enduring Memories of Hangzhou”\* show: a spectacle of light, music, dance, and theater performed on the West Lake’s surface. Be swept up by this magical outdoor display, which charts the lake’s folkloric legends and origins.

Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner and show

Hotels :★★★★★ Zhejiang Narada Grand Hotel or Similar

### DAY 5 HANGZHOU—ZHANGJIAJIE

Leave Hangzhou and take a short flight to Zhangjiajie, located in Hunan province in south-central China, and famous as the home of the stunning, UNESCO-listed Wulingyuan Scenic Area: a region of towering sandstone pinnacles, waterfalls, canyons, and lakes.\* If no direct flight to Zhangjiajie is available today, travel to Shanghai by coach, and fly from Shanghai to Zhangjiajie. On arrival, enjoy a dinner of culinary specialties favored by the local Tujia peoples, an ancient community with its own language, food, customs and festivals. Enjoy the special local mushroom dishes.

Included: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotels :★★★★★ Pullman Hotel & Resort or Similar

### DAY 6 ZHANGJIAJIE

Today brings a full-day tour of the natural wonders—and four protected regions— of the Wulingyuan Scenic Area. Start at the Zhangjiajie National Forest Park, known for its high pillars draped in lush foliage—natural formations said to have inspired the fictional moon, Pandora, in 2009’s sci-fi movie, Avatar. Marvel at the sea of pillars, some 3,000 feet high, and ride the Bailong Elevator\*, the world’s tallest outdoor lift, which ascends a sheer sandstone cliff and affords awe-inspiring views over the incredible landscape. Next, continue to the Yuanjiajie Scenic Area to admire its signature sights, including the Mihun Crag, the rock bridge dubbed the “First Bridge under Heaven,” and the 1,080-meter-high Hallelujah Mountain, so-named after the “floating mountains” in Avatar. Your tour also takes in Wulingyuan’s Tianzi Mountain Scenic Area, with visits to beauty spots such as Helong Park and the West Sea Stone Forests.

Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner at hotel

Hotels :★★★★★ Pullman Hotel & Resort or Similar

### DAY 7 ZHANGJIAJIE

More incredible scenery awaits today with a second day in the Zhangjiajie National Forest Park. Admire the streams, waterfalls, and luxuriant forests of the Golden Whip Stream\*, and walk across the spectacular Zhangjiajie Grand Canyon Glass Bridge, the world’s longest and highest glass-walkway bridge, for dizzying views. Other highpoints include a lunch of Tujia Specialty cuisine and the journey by little train in the Ten-Mile Gallery\*—a scenic valley filled with bizarrely shaped natural rock formations. This evening, relax over dinner at your hotel and watch the “Zhangjiajie Tianmen Fox Fairy Show”\*, a musical drama based on a centuries-old Chinese fairytale.

Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner and show

Hotels :★★★★★ Sunshine Hotel Resort or Similar

### DAY 8 ZHANGJIAJIE—PHOENIX ANCIENT TOWN

Following breakfast, enjoy a morning tour of the Tianmen Mountain National Forest Park, a separate national forest also near Zhangjiajie. Marvel at the dramatic mountain scenery and ride cable cars to various locations, including Tianmen Cave\*—a rock arch high in the mountains—and the Glass Plank Road— a glass walkway pinned to a mountainside that commands thrilling views of the valley below. After lunch at the restaurant, continue by coach to Phoenix Ancient Town, also known as Fenghuang—a beautiful old water town on the Tuo

Jiang River, framed by wooded mountains. After an approximate 4-hour journey, arrive and check in at your hotel before relaxing over dinner tonight.

Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner at hotel

Hotels :★★★★★ Wyndham Grand Plaza Royale Hot Springs Fenghuang or similar

**DAY 9 PHOENIX ANCIENT TOWN**

Start today with a sightseeing tour of Phoenix, which provides a fascinating window into what life was probably like in rural China centuries ago. Have your camera ready on a ferry cruise along the Tuo Jiang: sailing by the town’s high-gabled wooden waterfront houses, known as Diaojiaolou, which appear as if they’re hanging above the river—as well as bridges, pagodas, and scenes of women washing clothes and fishing boats casting their nets in the water. Learn about Phoenix’s long history and predominant Miao ethnic community, and head inside one or some of the Diaojiaolou houses to view their unique design. Finish the day over some delicious Miao cuisine at dinner this evening.

Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Special Dinner

Hotels :★★★★★ Wyndham Grand Plaza Royale Hot Springs Fenghuang or similar

**DAY 10 PHOENIX ANCIENT TOWN—ZHANGJIAJIE—SHANGHAI**

Check out of your Phoenix hotel and board the high speed train to Zhangjiajie. Visit Tu Minority Culture Park before taking the flight to Shanghai. Upon arrival, transfer to the hotel and have a good night sleep.

Included: Breakfast, Lunch

Hotels :★★★★★ The Portman Ritz-Carlton Shanghai or Similar

**DAY 11 SHANGHAI**

This morning, enjoy a city sightseeing tour of Shanghai’s landmarks. Head to the famous Bund waterfront to admire its stately colonial-era buildings—many of them in Art Déco style—and its views over the skyscraper-packed Pudong district on the opposite banks of the Huangpu River. Stroll around the exquisite Yu Garden\*—a classical garden dating to the time of the Ming dynasty—and visit the City God Temple Bazaar, where streets filled with stalls, shops, and restaurants surround an ornate 600-year-old Taoist temple in the heart of old Shanghai. Following lunch at a local restaurant, this afternoon is free for you to relax and enjoy any last explorations of the city.

Included: Breakfast, Lunch

Hotels :★★★★★ The Portman Ritz-Carlton Shanghai or Similar

**DAY 12 SHANGHAI—USA**

Following breakfast, enjoy a convenient transfer to the airport for your return flight to the US.

Included: Breakfast

**DATE & PRICES**

All prices are listed per person (based on double occupancy).

| START – END                      | LAND ONLY | CHINA DOMESTIC FLIGHT | LAND & AIR | SINGLE SUPPL |
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| Jun 14, 2024 – Jun 25, 2024 保證出發 | 2100      | \$400                 | ---        | \$660        |

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| Aug 23, 2024 – Sep 3, 2024       | 2100 | \$400 | --- | \$660 |
| Sep 13, 2024 – Sep 24, 2024 保證出發 | 2200 | \$400 | --- | \$750 |
| Oct 11, 2024 – Oct 22, 2024      | 2200 | \$400 | --- | \$750 |
| Nov 1, 2024 – Nov 12, 2024       | 2200 | \$400 | --- | \$750 |

\* Advertised Land Only Price does not include any air ticket(s)

\* For child (2-11 yrs) rates, please refer to [Reservation](#)

\* All prices, itinerary, and hotels are subject to change at any time without prior notice. For the most up-to-date prices please check our website