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# 8-Day Ultimate China Luxury Tour with Shangri-La Hotels

**Tour ID: SC08**

Embark on an unforgettable 8-day journey through China's cultural gems - Beijing, Xi'an, Shanghai, and Suzhou - where Shangri-La branded hotels seamlessly blend luxury and comfort. From the imperial allure of Beijing to the ancient terracotta wonders of Xi'an, the futuristic skyline of Shanghai, and the serene beauty of Suzhou's gardens, this curated tour promises a perfect balance of opulence and cultural exploration. Join us for an enchanting experience where every day is a fusion of history, modernity, and the unmatched hospitality of Shangri-La.

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## Route

**Beijing - Xi’an - Suzhou - Shanghai**

## Day 1

### Arrival in Beijing

Upon arrival at either Beijing Capital International Airport (PEK) or Beijing Daxing International Airport (PKX), you will be warmly greeted by your professional tour representative and transferred in comfort to your hotel. Take some time to relax and rejuvenate after your flight as you prepare for the extraordinary journey ahead.

### Included Meals

In-flight meals

### Accommodation

Shangri-La China World or similar







## Day 2

### Beijing

Embark on an elegant journey through Beijing’s imperial heart, where history and grandeur unfold in perfect harmony. Your day begins at the iconic Tiananmen Square, a vast and symbolic landmark at the centre of China’s capital, before continuing into the magnificent Forbidden City—the former residence of Ming and Qing emperors.

Enjoy privileged access with a private, expertly guided tour through this extraordinary palace complex. Wander through majestic courtyards, ornate halls, and hidden passageways, gaining deeper insight into centuries of imperial life and legacy.

Continue your cultural immersion with a visit to Beijing’s historic hutongs—charming traditional alleyways that reveal the city’s authentic soul. As you stroll through these atmospheric lanes, discover a more intimate side of Beijing, where timeless traditions and local life quietly endure.

As evening falls, the rest of the day is yours to enjoy at leisure—whether indulging in a refined dining experience, exploring the city by night, or simply unwinding in comfort while reflecting on the day’s remarkable discoveries.



### Included Meals
Breakfast & Lunch

### Accommodation
Shangri-La China World or similar

## Day 3

### Beijing
Prepare for a day of extraordinary discovery, where timeless heritage meets modern brilliance. Your journey begins at the magnificent Mutianyu section of the Great Wall—one of China's most beautifully preserved and less crowded stretches. Surrounded by sweeping mountain scenery, enjoy a more refined and immersive experience as you walk along this UNESCO-listed masterpiece, taking in its grandeur at your own pace.

Continue your exploration with a glimpse into contemporary Beijing as you visit the iconic Olympic precinct. From the outside, admire the striking architecture of the Bird's Nest and the shimmering Water Cube—enduring symbols of the 2008 Olympic Games and modern China's global presence.

As the day draws to a close, return to your hotel to unwind in comfort, or choose to enhance your evening with a curated optional experience. Reflect on a day that seamlessly blends ancient wonder with modern sophistication—an unforgettable highlight of your Beijing journey.



### Included Meals
Breakfast & Lunch

### Accommodation
Shangri-La China World or similar

### Extra Activities You Can Join:

PRICE
$80.00 AUD

**Beijing Acrobatics Show**
Enjoy an unforgettable evening with the Beijing Acrobatics Show, a classic Chinese performance loved by visitors from around the world. Featuring highly trained acrobats, the show presents a dynamic mix of gravity-defying stunts, balancing acts, flips, contortion and colourful choreography — all performed with precision, energy and artistry.

There are no language barriers, making this optional experience suitable for travellers of all ages. It's a perfect way to enjoy Chinese performing arts and add a memorable cultural highlight to your evening in Beijing.

Note
The optional tour is not included in the main package and must be paid for on-site. The listed price is per person. Operation of the tour is subject to a minimum group size being met.



## Day 4

### Beijing - Xi'an

Begin your day with a refined breakfast before setting out to explore one of Beijing's most revered cultural treasures—the Temple of Heaven. Steeped in imperial history, this architectural masterpiece once served as the sacred site where emperors performed ancient rituals to pray for prosperity and good harvests. As you wander through its elegant halls, tranquil gardens, and iconic circular pavilion, immerse yourself in the harmony, symbolism, and timeless beauty that define this extraordinary landmark.

Following your visit, continue your journey in comfort as you travel to Xi'an—one of China's most storied and ancient capitals. Anticipate the next chapter of your exploration as you transition from Beijing's imperial grandeur to the rich historical tapestry of Xi'an, where remarkable discoveries await.



### Included Meals
Breakfast & Lunch

**Accommodation**
Shangri-La Xian or similar



**DEPARTURE** - 5 hr -
**High-Speed Train**

CONFIRMATION NUMBER
First Class Cabin



## Day 5

**Xi'an**
Immerse yourself in a beautifully curated day in Xi'an, where ancient legacy meets refined cultural discovery. Your experience begins at the world-renowned Terracotta Army — an extraordinary collection of life-sized sculptures created to accompany China's first emperor into the afterlife. With expert insight and a thoughtfully paced visit, take in the scale, artistry, and quiet grandeur of this iconic site in an elevated and immersive setting.

Following a carefully selected local lunch, continue into the atmospheric Muslim Quarter, where heritage and flavour unfold in a more intimate way. Stroll through its vibrant lanes, where traditional architecture and local life create a rich and engaging backdrop.

Here, indulge in a curated tasting of regional specialties such as Roujiamo and Liangpi, offering a refined introduction to Xi'an's distinctive culinary identity.

Seamlessly blending history, culture, and gastronomy, today's experience is designed to be both enriching and effortlessly memorable.








**Included Meals**
Breakfast & Lunch

**Accommodation**
Shangri-La Xian or similar

## Day 6

**Xi'an - Shanghai - Suzhou**
Today, enjoy a seamless transition to Shanghai, one of China's most dynamic and cosmopolitan cities. Travel in comfort as you arrive and begin your exploration along the iconic Bund, where historic elegance meets a striking modern skyline, offering one of the most recognisable views in the country.

Continue to the vibrant Yu Garden Bazaar, where traditional architecture, boutique shopping, and lively local culture come together in a beautifully atmospheric setting.

As the day unfolds, retreat to the tranquil charm of Suzhou, where you'll enjoy an indulgent stay at the prestigious Shangri-La Hotel Suzhou. Relax and unwind in refined surroundings, bringing the day to a perfect close with comfort, elegance, and a sense of calm.







**DEPARTURE** - 6 hr 30 min -
**High-Speed Train**

CONFIRMATION NUMBER
First Class Cabin







## Included Meals

Breakfast & Lunch

## Accommodation

Shangri-La Suzhou or similar







## Extra Activities You Can Join

PRICE

$80.00 AUD

**Shanghai Huangpu River Cruise**

Experience the dazzling skyline of Shanghai from a unique perspective on the Huangpu River Night Cruise. Glide along the river that divides the city into its historic and modern districts, taking in iconic landmarks like the Oriental Pearl Tower, the Bund's colonial architecture, and the futuristic skyscrapers of Pudong. This enchanting night cruise offers breathtaking views of the city lights and a tranquil escape from the bustling streets, making it a must-do for any visit to Shanghai.

Note

The optional tour is not included in the main package and must be paid for on-site. The listed price is per person. Operation of the tour is subject to a minimum group size being met.



## Day 7

### Suzhou

Begin your day with a serene and refined experience at the exquisite Master of the Nets Garden, a UNESCO World Heritage Site celebrated for its elegant balance of space, design, and harmony. Wander through its delicately crafted pavilions, winding corridors, and tranquil water features, where every detail reflects the sophistication of classical Chinese garden artistry.

Continue your journey with a leisurely stroll along Pingjiang Road, one of Suzhou's most charming and atmospheric historic streets. Lined with traditional residences, boutique shops, and canalside views, this beautifully preserved area offers an intimate glimpse into the city's cultural rhythm.

As you explore at an unhurried pace, take in the subtle blend of heritage and everyday life — a graceful and immersive experience that captures the essence of Suzhou's timeless elegance.



### Included Meals

Breakfast & Lunch

### Accommodation

Shangri-La Suzhou or similar

## Day 8

### Depart Shanghai

As your remarkable journey through China comes to an end, take a moment to reflect on the unforgettable experiences that have defined your trip — from iconic landmarks and rich cultural encounters to the refined comfort of your Shangri-La stays.

At the appropriate time, you will be privately transferred to Shanghai Pudong International Airport, ensuring a seamless and comfortable departure.

As you bid farewell to this extraordinary destination, you leave with more than just memories — but a deeper connection to China's heritage, culture, and modern elegance.

We look forward to welcoming you again on your next journey with BetterTrip. Safe travels.

### Included Meals
Breakfast

### Accommodation
In transit

## Things To Know

### What's Included
- International flights are only included with flights-inclusive packages
- 7 nights' stay at luxurious Shangri-La branded hotels
- One-way high-speed bullet train from Beijing to Xi'an in First class
- One-way high-speed bullet train from Xi'an to Shanghai in First class
- Daily breakfast and 6 lunches featuring local specialties
- Roundtrip airport transfers for the group
- Comfortable transfers in air-conditioned vehicles
- All sightseeing and entrance fees as per the itinerary
- Professional English-speaking local guide in each city
- Local service fee included for your convenience

### What's Not Included
- Visa fees
- Optional tours and activities
- Meals not specified in the itinerary
- Travel insurance (highly recommended)
- Personal expenses like beverages, laundry, and phone calls
- Costs incurred due to flight delays or airline schedule changes
- Any items or services not clearly listed in the itinerary

### Optional Activities

| *Day #* | *Item Names* | *AUD* | *CNY* |
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| *Day 03* | *Beijing Acrobatics Show* | *$80* | *~~¥360~~* |
| *Day 06* | *Shanghai Huangpu River Cruise* | *$80* | *~~¥360~~* |

*Please note that all prices are quoted per person and are for reference only. For the most accurate and up-to-date fees, kindly refer to your local guide during the tour.*

### Group Size Requirement
- Minimum: 2 individuals
- Maximum: 16 individuals

## Fine Print

### Payment Terms

To secure your booking, full payment is required at the time of reservation. After creating your booking, you will be directed to your invoice, where you can select your preferred payment method.

### Schedule Of Fees

Voluntary Changes: Please note that any changes or upgrades requested after the booking is confirmed will be subject to a fee of AUD220 per person per change, in addition to any applicable supplier costs. This fee covers modifications to flights, hotels, tour dates, or any other services included in your package. To ensure smooth processing, we kindly request that you provide us with a minimum of 72 hours notice for all voluntary changes.

Cancellations & Refunds: Please note that in the event of tour cancellation, a cancellation fee of AUD550 per person will be charged, in addition to any relevant supplier costs. Refund requests must be submitted in writing and will take up to 6 weeks to process. It is important to note that no refunds can be issued once the tour has commenced (for the flight-inclusive package, no refunds can be issued once the flights have been ticketed).

Name Correction Fees: A fee of AUD220 per person applies to name corrections on documents, along with any supplier costs. Kindly note that name corrections must be requested at least 72 hours prior to departure and are subject to approval from the supplier.

Document Change Fees: A fee of AUD220 per person will be charged for any passport changes, in addition to any applicable supplier costs. Please note that train tickets and admission access must be linked to your travel passport details. Any changes to passport information must be requested at least 14 days before departure and are subject to approval from the supplier.

Supplier Fees: In the event that the tour you have purchased is unable to proceed or a travel supplier is unable to fulfil the tour due to external circumstances (such as a Force Majeure event), there may be a fee or amount of money that is withheld by our suppliers and is unrecoverable. This could be due to non-refundable airline tickets, cancellation penalties with cruise cabins, or unrecoverable payments with our land/accommodation partners. As your agent, Better Trip is committed to covering these costs and will make every effort to recover all funds committed and/or paid for your tour. However, please note that this may not be possible in every circumstance. If refunds are unavailable from our suppliers, we will strive to obtain a travel credit with the best possible terms and communicate these options to you. If Better Trip cannot obtain a refund, travel service credit, or only a partial refund, this cost will be passed on to the customer as a supplier fee. It is important to note that this fee is not intended to generate revenue but to cover the payments our suppliers withhold during the recovery process.

### Participation Requirement

All group tour packages are offered at discounted rates on the condition that travellers participate in the full group itinerary, including sightseeing, cultural activities, and designated shopping stops. Partial participation (e.g., using only transport or selected activities) is not allowed under this pricing, and those wishing to opt out must book a land-only or customised private package at the applicable rate. Requests to use only parts of the package, such as flights and hotels, will not be accepted, and we reserve the right to cancel such bookings under the standard cancellation policy.

### Travel Documents

To ensure a smooth journey, it is imperative that you possess a valid passport and have obtained all necessary visas, permits, and certificates for the countries you plan to visit. Please note that passports are mandatory for all travellers when departing from Australia. For a permanent resident to travel on a foreign passport, you must also hold an Australian Re-entry Visa. Additionally, many countries require foreign nationals entering their borders to possess a passport with a minimum of six months validity. Remember, the ultimate responsibility for ensuring the accuracy of your documentation lies with you as the individual traveller. Any fines, penalties, or expenses incurred due to incorrect documentation will be solely your responsibility.

**Travel Insurance**
Travel insurance is a requirement for all our travellers and should be obtained at the time of booking. Your travel insurance should cover personal accidents, death, medical expenses, and emergency repatriation, with a recommended minimum coverage of US$200,000 for each category. We also strongly recommend coverage for cancellation, curtailment, personal liability, luggage loss, and personal effects. On the first day of your trip, you must provide proof of your travel insurance. Please note that joining the trip will not be possible without it. If you would like our assistance obtaining travel insurance, please CLICK HERE.

**Airport Transfers**
Some of our packages include airport transfers in one or both directions for your arrival or departure from your destination. To determine if transfers are included, please refer to the “What’s Included” section of your selected package. If you arrange pre- or post-tour accommodations independently and the tour includes transfers, please note that these transfers will be forfeited. Transfers are provided only in conjunction with the tour dates and any pre- or post-tour accommodations booked through Better Trip, when available. Additionally, our standard airport transfers operate on a group basis, which may involve waiting times of up to 2 hours. To avoid any potential delays, we recommend booking a private transfer for a more prompt and personalized service. For more information, please contact us at bookings@bettertrip.com.au.

**Default Flights**
If this package includes default flights, they have been carefully predetermined by our product team in collaboration with the airline partners. Please note the following conditions:

- The default flights cannot be changed or refunded at any time. If these flights are not used, any unused segments will be forfeited without a refund.
- Flight carriers and schedules will be available approximately three months before the tour date.
- For customised flight requests, including changes to flight times, airlines, or classes, a re-quote will be provided at the prevailing market price, and additional charges may apply.
- If you have booked a flight-inclusive package and choose not to use the default flights, please notify us at least 72 hours before departure. Failure to do so will be considered a no-show, and the entire tour will be cancelled without a refund.

If you have any further questions or require assistance, please contact us at bookings@bettertrip.com.au.

**Third-Party Operator Notice**
This tour is operated by an independent third-party partner, and BetterTrip serves as the booking agent for your reservation. Full supplier details will be provided in your pre-departure travel pack.

BetterTrip is always here to support you. Should any issues or concerns arise, we will gladly assist by communicating with the operator on your behalf. Please note that, as we are not the service provider, responsibility for the delivery and resolution of services rests with the operator.

**Important Information**

Fitness Requirements
To ensure a safe and enjoyable experience, participants in our tours should have a moderate level of fitness, including the ability to walk for extended periods and navigate varying terrains. The tour may involve physical activities such as hiking and walking tours, so we recommend being comfortable with exertion for several hours. If you have any pre-existing medical conditions, please consult a healthcare professional before booking. Regular physical activity leading up to the tour is encouraged to enhance your experience. Your safety is our top priority, so if you feel unwell during the tour, please inform your local guide.

Accommodation
Accommodations included in your tour package will be specified in your itinerary. While we strive to provide the listed accommodations, substitutions may be necessary due to availability. For bedding configurations, we offer double or twin options for travellers sharing a room, based on availability. Solo travellers who have purchased the single supplement will have the option of a single bed. Check-in is typically between 2:00 PM and 4:00 PM, and check-out usually occurs between 10:00 AM and 12:00 PM; early or late check-in/out may be available upon request, but is not guaranteed. Standard amenities will be provided, although additional services may incur extra charges. We are not liable for any loss or damage to personal property during your stay, so we recommend securing travel insurance for unforeseen events. Lastly, guests are responsible for adhering to any health and safety guidelines set by the accommodation providers.

Underage Travellers
All travellers under the age of 18 must have written consent from a parent or legal guardian to participate in the tour and must be accompanied by a responsible adult who will ensure their safety and well-being. Accommodation arrangements must comply with the policies of the accommodation provider, which may have age restrictions regarding room occupancy. Parents or guardians are responsible for informing us of any medical conditions or special requirements for the minor, and we recommend that all minors have appropriate travel insurance. Some of our packages are exclusively available for adult travellers aged 18 and over. All travellers are expected to adhere to our code of conduct; inappropriate behaviour may result in removal from the tour without a refund. Additionally, some activities may have age restrictions, and it is the responsibility of the accompanying adult to ensure all activities are suitable for the minor.

Local Service Fee
For certain tour packages, a local service fee is not included in the published tour price. In specific instances, payment of this fee is mandatory and must be made in cash and in local currency directly to the local guide during the course of the tour. Travellers are advised to refer to the “What’s Not Included” section of their booking documentation for details of the recommended local service fee amounts applicable to guides, drivers, or local suppliers, as well as other service personnel. These amounts are established to reflect the customary standards and level of service provided throughout the tour.

Itinerary Modification
The information in this document is subject to change and may be affected by unforeseen circumstances beyond BetterTrip’s control. If any changes occur that impact your confirmed tour inclusions, you will be promptly notified via email with the relevant details and instructions. Please note that minor or last-minute on-site adjustments that do not affect the inclusions may occur without prior notice or written communication. In such cases, our on-site team will make every reasonable effort to ensure that your travel experience remains seamless and of equal or greater value.

Right to Refuse Service or Terminate Participation
BetterTrip reserves the absolute right, at its sole discretion and without prior notice, to refuse service, cancel any booking, or terminate a traveller’s participation in any part of a tour or travel service if the traveller’s conduct is reasonably deemed to pose a threat to the safety, welfare, or property of company personnel, contractors, suppliers, or other participants. In such circumstances, the traveller may be removed from the tour immediately, and BetterTrip shall bear no responsibility or liability for any resulting expenses, loss, damage, or inconvenience. No refund, credit, or compensation shall be provided for any unused services or portions of the tour. BetterTrip further reserves the right to report such behaviour to relevant authorities where appropriate.

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