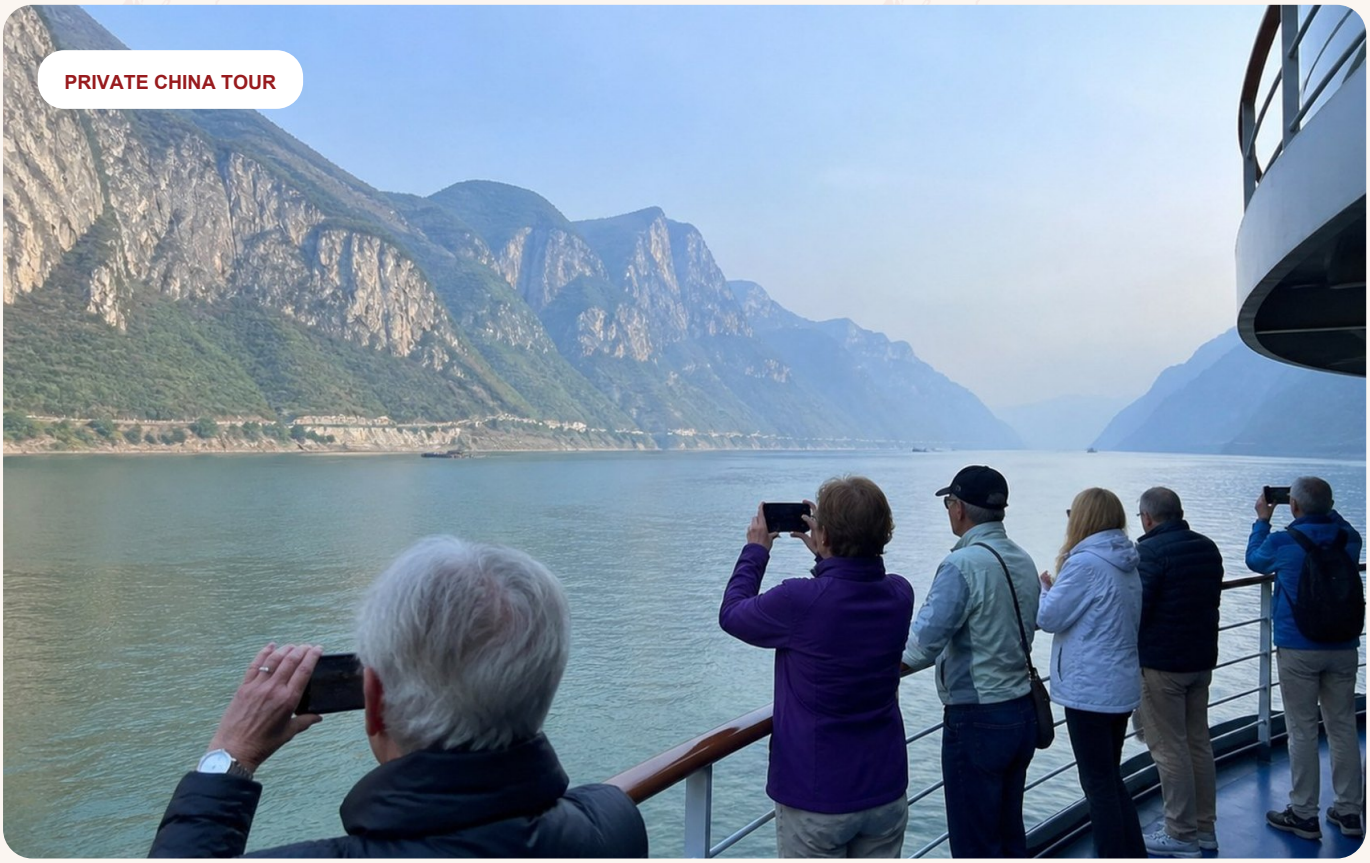

15-Day Grand China Tour with Yangtze Cruise

Beijing · Xi’an · Chengdu · Chongqing & Yangtze · Guilin & Yangshuo · Shanghai

15 days | 6 destinations | Private & tailored

Your detailed itinerary - ready for offline planning

Day-by-day experiences, practical answers and clear service details.

DAY 1 · BEIJING

Arrive in Beijing and settle in

A gentle arrival day leaves time to rest or explore nearby at your own pace.



Welcome to Beijing | On arrival

Meet your guide and take your included private airport transfer from Beijing Capital or Daxing Airport to your centrally located hotel.

Rest or explore Houhai | Flexible

There is no scheduled sightseeing today. If you have energy, take an independent walk around the Back Lakes and Houhai neighbourhood.

DAY 2 · BEIJING

Forbidden City, Tiananmen Square & Temple of Heaven

Explore imperial courtyards, city views and everyday life in Beijing's parks.



Tiananmen Square and Forbidden City | Morning

Visit Tiananmen Square, then explore the palace courtyards, residential quarters and Imperial Garden with your guide. Entry and the visiting sequence follow confirmed reservations.

Peking roast duck | Lunch

Enjoy the Beijing roast duck meal described in your itinerary.

Jingshan Park and Temple of Heaven | Afternoon

Look across the Forbidden City from Jingshan Park, then visit the Temple of Heaven and its surrounding park. Your guide introduces the buildings and the daily life around them.

DAY 3 · BEIJING

Mutianyu Great Wall & Summer Palace

Mountain views and lakeside gardens make a varied day outside central Beijing.



Mutianyu Great Wall | Morning

Travel by private vehicle to Mutianyu and take the gondola up the hillside. Walk between watchtowers at a distance and pace suited to your family.

Lunch and descent | Midday

Have lunch at a local farmhouse restaurant. The planned toboggan descent depends on operation and suitability; discuss a suitable alternative with your specialist if needed.

Summer Palace | Afternoon

Explore Kunming Lake, the Long Corridor and the imperial garden scenery. The order and time at each stop can be adjusted around traffic and your walking pace.

DAY 4 · BEIJING → XI’AN

Train to Xi’an, Terracotta Warriors & Muslim Quarter

Continue by high-speed rail to Xi'an and begin exploring its imperial history.



High-speed train to Xi’an | Morning

Travel from Beijing to Xi'an by high-speed train. The exact service and station transfers are confirmed in your proposal.

Terracotta Warriors and Huaqing Palace | After arrival

Explore the main excavation pits and Bronze Chariot Museum, then visit Huaqing Palace. Museum access, sightseeing order and time at each stop depend on train arrival and confirmed reservations.

Muslim Quarter | Evening

Walk through the lively food streets with your guide and discover local dishes such as rou jia mo, liangpi and lamb skewers.

DAY 5 · XI’AN

City Wall, history museum & Big Wild Goose Pagoda

Discover Xi'an by bicycle, through its collections and along its evening streets.



City Wall and central landmarks | Morning

Cycle along the Ancient City Wall at a distance suited to your group. Visit the Bell and Drum Tower area, with the planned Bell Tower visit subject to access.

Dumpling banquet | Lunch

Try a selection of dumplings with different shapes and fillings.

Shaanxi History Museum and pagoda | Afternoon

Explore the museum's collections with your guide, subject to confirmed reservations, then visit the Big Wild Goose Pagoda.

Tang-style streets | Evening

Stroll through the illuminated Da Tang Bu Ye Cheng pedestrian area.

DAY 6 · XI'AN → CHENGDU

Fly to Chengdu, meet pandas & explore Kuanzhai Alley

Begin your Chengdu stay with pandas, heritage lanes and Sichuan flavours.



Fly to Chengdu | Morning

Take the planned flight from Xi'an to Chengdu, with transfers coordinated around the confirmed schedule.

First panda-base visit | Afternoon

Visit the Giant Panda Research Base. This afternoon visit complements the next morning's return; sightings and animal activity vary naturally.

Kuanzhai Alley and Sichuan dinner | Evening

Explore the Wide and Narrow Lanes, then try Sichuan dishes with spice levels discussed with your guide.

DAY 7 · CHENGDU → CHONGQING

Morning pandas, Leshan & train to Chongqing

A privately planned day, with the pace and timings confirmed around your journey.



Panda base and Leshan | Morning and daytime

Return to the panda base, then travel to Leshan for the planned river-boat view of the Buddha and local lunch. Boat operation is weather-dependent.

Train to Chongqing | Later

Return to Chengdu and take the high-speed train to Chongqing. This is a full transfer day; exact timings are checked before booking.

Chongqing evening | After arrival

Settle into your hotel. The plan includes a Hongya Cave orientation and Chongqing hot pot, paced around your arrival and preferred spice level.

DAY 8 · CHONGQING → YANGTZE RIVER

Chongqing city visit & Yangtze cruise boarding

A privately planned day, with the pace and timings confirmed around your journey.



Chongqing and Ciqikou | Before boarding

Explore the planned Chongqing city stops, including Ciqikou Ancient Town and the riverside area. The day is coordinated around the ship's confirmed boarding location and time.

Board your Yangtze cruise | At the confirmed time

Board the ship, attend the safety briefing and settle into the cabin confirmed in your proposal. This is a shared cruise, not a privately chartered vessel.

Dinner on board | Evening

Enjoy the onboard meal in your confirmed cruise package. Sailing times and the following days' shore visits are governed by the selected ship's itinerary.

DAY 9 · YANGTZE RIVER

Qutang Gorge, Wu Gorge & cruise excursions

A privately planned day, with the pace and timings confirmed around your journey.



Gorge scenery | On board

Watch the river and cliffs from the ship as the cruise continues through the Three Gorges region. Qutang and Wu Gorge are part of the route; their exact viewing times follow the sailing schedule.

Optional shore excursions | According to the ship programme

The existing plan mentions Fengdu and a tributary excursion such as Shennong Stream. These are optional and separately priced unless explicitly included in your proposal. Availability and order depend on the ship.

Meals and a relaxed evening | On board

Enjoy the meals specified in your cruise package and time on the deck. Your confirmed ship programme takes precedence over illustrative day-by-day timings.

DAY 10 · YANGTZE RIVER

Xiling Gorge & Three Gorges Dam

A privately planned day, with the pace and timings confirmed around your journey.



Xiling Gorge scenery | Cruise programme

Continue through the gorge region and enjoy the river scenery from the ship. Actual passage times depend on the sailing schedule.

Three Gorges Dam visit | Confirmed shore programme

Take the dam visit described in your confirmed cruise package. The viewpoints, transfers and any separate ship-lift or lock-related experience are determined by the selected operator; a particular vessel passage is not guaranteed.

Continue towards Yichang | Later

Follow the ship’s programme as the journey approaches Yichang. Your final proposal confirms the disembarkation time and onward connection.

DAY 11 · YICHANG → GUILIN

Disembark at Yichang & train to Guilin

A privately planned day, with the pace and timings confirmed around your journey.



Disembark and meet your transfer | At the confirmed time

Leave the cruise at Yichang and meet your transfer team. The onward connection must allow enough time after the ship’s confirmed disembarkation.

High-speed rail to Guilin | Travel day

The original day heading specifies travel by high-speed rail to Guilin. The exact service, any connections and arrival time will be confirmed in your proposal.

Arrival in Guilin | After arrival

Transfer to your hotel and settle in. No extra sightseeing is promised on this connection day.

DAY 12 · GUILIN → YANGSHUO → GUILIN

Li River cruise & Longji terrace plans

A privately planned day, with the pace and timings confirmed around your journey.



Li River cruise | Morning and daytime

Travel to the confirmed pier and cruise towards Yangshuo, with the planned onboard lunch.

Longji terrace excursion | Subject to the final schedule

This day combines the Li River cruise with Longji and village viewpoints. It is a demanding combination with substantial driving, so the final sequence, timing and meal arrangements are confirmed in your proposal.

Return to Guilin | Later

Return to your Guilin hotel after the confirmed sightseeing programme.

DAY 13 · GUILIN & YANGSHUO → SHANGHAI

Yulong River, countryside & flight to Shanghai

A privately planned day, with the pace and timings confirmed around your journey.



Yulong River and countryside | Morning

Take the planned bamboo-raft trip and countryside cycle ride, with Moon Hill walking adapted to suitability and your flight time.

Local lunch and airport transfer | Midday

Enjoy the planned beer-fish lunch, then return towards Guilin Airport.

Fly to Shanghai | Afternoon and evening

Take your flight and meet your local team. The planned Bund walk and dinner are timed around your confirmed arrival.

DAY 14 · SHANGHAI

Shanghai Tower, the Bund & French Concession

See the skyline from above, then explore Shanghai at street level.



Shanghai Tower | Morning

Visit the observation area for views over the Huangpu River and city skyline, subject to confirmed tickets and visibility.

Soup dumplings and the Bund | Midday

Try the planned xiaolongbao lunch and walk along the Bund, comparing its historic waterfront buildings with the towers across the river.

French Concession and Tianzifang | Afternoon and evening

Explore Wukang Road, the residential backstreets and Tianzifang's lanes. Finish with dinner at your guide's recommendation. The day also includes Yu Garden, with the order confirmed around its opening arrangements.

DAY 15 · SHANGHAI → SUZHOU → SHANGHAI

Suzhou gardens & departure from Shanghai

A privately planned day, with the pace and timings confirmed around your journey.



Train to Suzhou and classical garden | Morning

Take the planned high-speed train to Suzhou and visit the Humble Administrator’s Garden, subject to confirmed reservations.

Pingjiang Road and local lunch | Daytime

Walk beside the canals and traditional shopfronts, then enjoy the planned Suzhou meal. This excursion requires a departure flight late enough to allow the return journey.

Return and airport transfer | At your confirmed time

Return to Shanghai for your included private transfer to Pudong or Hongqiao Airport. Your specialist will confirm the sightseeing and safe connection time before booking.

CLEAR BEFORE YOU BOOK

What your trip includes

Your final proposal confirms the services, hotels and transport before you pay.

Included

- Private arrival and departure airport transfers within this itinerary
- Air-conditioned private vehicle with driver for included sightseeing
- Local guides for the visits in your confirmed itinerary
- Hotel accommodation with breakfast
- Domestic transport specified in your itinerary
- Tickets, activities and meals specified in your itinerary
- Accident insurance, subject to the confirmed policy and coverage
- Planning and coordination throughout your trip
- Yangtze cruise cabin, meals and scheduled services specified in your proposal

Not included

- International airfare
- Visa fees, when applicable
- Personal expenses and single-room supplement
- Optional activities and meals not specified in your proposal
- Tips for guides and drivers
- Extra transfers outside the confirmed itinerary
- Optional cruise excursions, cabin upgrades and cruise-staff gratuities unless specified

Your final proposal confirms transport, hotels, services and insurance coverage before you pay. Gallery photos illustrate possible arrangements rather than guaranteed hotels or vehicle models. The Yangtze cruise is shared, with ship-specific timings and inclusions.

USEFUL ANSWERS

Frequently asked questions

Practical details for planning your private China journey.

Is the Yangtze cruise private?

No. Your land arrangements are privately planned, while the cruise is a shared sailing. Ship, cabin category, meals, shore visits and optional extras are confirmed in your proposal.

Can the cruise schedule change?

Yes. The selected ship’s programme and operating conditions govern the order and timing of gorge viewing, shore visits and disembarkation.

How is the Guilin section paced?

This section is compact. Your specialist will agree the Li River, Longji and Yangshuo sequence before confirming the timed connections.

Can this itinerary be customized?

Yes. Discuss dates, mobility, hotel comfort, room needs and interests with your specialist. Changes and any price differences are confirmed in your personal proposal.

Are arrival and departure airport transfers included?

Yes. Private airport transfers for arrival and departure within this itinerary are included. Share your flight details so pickup times can be coordinated. Extra transfers outside the confirmed itinerary are quoted separately.

How are hotels and vehicles selected?

Tell us your preferred comfort level, room type, group size and luggage needs. Gallery images are examples; exact hotels, room arrangements, vehicles and available facilities are confirmed in your proposal.

How do I receive a price and book?

Send your dates, group size and priorities through this page’s form, WhatsApp or email. We will prepare a personalized proposal and confirm the services and booking details before you pay.

YOUR CHINA JOURNEY, YOUR WAY

Why choose Wukong China Travel?

Less time coordinating the details. More time enjoying your journey.

Private, not one-size-fits-all

Enjoy private guiding and transport for your sightseeing, with attention to your interests and the needs of your traveling party.

A route shaped around you

Discuss hotels, extra nights, activities and rest time with your specialist before you travel.

Local insight

Understand the stories behind the landmarks and the everyday life around them with guides who know their cities.

Coordinated connections

Your confirmed domestic transport, airport pickups and hotel transfers are planned together, so you are not arranging each part alone.

Clear arrangements before you pay

Review the hotels, services and included activities in your proposal, with optional extras clearly identified.

A direct conversation with your specialist

Use WhatsApp or WeChat to discuss your plans and receive arrival information and booking details. Support continues before and during the journey.

Make this journey yours

Share your dates, group size and priorities. Receive a free, no-obligation personalized proposal within 48 hours.

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