

7 DAY CHONGQING & YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

Asia Vacation Group – Authentic Asia!

Local knowledge, adventures of a lifetime.

Discover [Asia](#) with our team of experts, and a carefully selected, value-packed exploration of Asia's most iconic destinations. Our tours offer must-visit sights, rich experiences and quality inclusions all at an unbeatable prices. Your bucket list dreams are ticked off on these all-encompassing vacations.

Travel with the confidence. Your trip has been carefully crafted by [our team](#) with you in mind and it's that same team that takes you on the journey. One amazing team to help and guide you, not only as your local travel expert but also as a friend with helpfulness and sincerity.

Specialists in Asia touring since 2015, [Asia Vacation Group](#) is proud to be the people who craft your itinerary, help you at each step, plus guide and operate your tour.

New Zealand Company Owned	Returned Flight Included	Relaxed Itinerary
7 Day Change Of Mind		

Day by Day Itinerary

Chongqing (2 nights), Yangtze (4 nights)

HIGHLIGHTS

- **Returned International flights**
- Compulsory Tipping for driver and tour guide (NZ\$12 per person/day)
- Incredible sightseeing, including: Chongqing and Yangtze River
- Comfortable group experience with no more than 40 persons
- Airport transfers included on the first and last day of tour
- 2 nights hotel and 4 nights on cruise
- Dedicated transportation in comfortable, air-conditioned vehicles
- Daily Breakfast Buffet
- Fully escorted by English-speaking local guides
- In-depth sightseeing and all entry fees as per the itinerary

ITINERARY

Day 1: Arrival in Chongqing - Yichang - Yangtze

Today you will depart from Australia to Chongqing, China!

Upon arrival at Chongqing Airport, you will be met by our representative and transferred to your hotel. Spend the morning at your leisure before travelling to Yichang by a bullet train in the afternoon. Yichang, the gateway to the Yangtze River, is the starting point of our Yangtze River Cruise, your home for the next four nights as you sail along the Yangtze River. Once you've settled into your room, follow the travellers in the main hall for the Captain's welcome speech and safety instruction.

Meals: In-flight meals, Breakfast

Accommodation: Victoria Cruise 5*

Remark: You will stay at Rezen Winterless Hotel Chongqing 4* if you arrive early morning or midnight.

Day 2: Yangtze River -

Enjoy your first day on the Yangtze River as the ship wends through spectacular scenery. This morning indulge in a beautiful breakfast buffet onboard before joining an included shore excursion to the Three Gorges Project. One of the largest construction projects undertaken by man, it is also the biggest hydroelectric power project in the world.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Victoria Cruise or similar

Optional Tour: Tribe of the Three Gorges.

One of the few remaining scenic spots not to have been influenced by the Three Gorges Dam project, this leafy area showcases Ba-Shu Culture. Come evening you'll return to the ship and attend the Captain's Welcome Banquet, enjoying an evening of dancing and good food.

Day 3: Yangtze River -

Today, we'll enjoy a shore excursion to the mesmerizing Shennong Stream. A tributary of the Yangtze, the Shennong flows through three beautiful gorges including the Mianzhu, Parrot and Long Guangdong. Each gorge is renowned for its unique and stunning scenery. The Shennong Stream is also home to the Hanging Coffins – ancient coffins suspended high up on the limestone cliff faces, which contain the remains of descendants of the Tujia people. In the afternoon, return to the ship in time for lunch and enjoy the crew's magnificent performance in the evening.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Victoria Cruise or similar

Optional Tour: White Emperor City.

An ancient temple complex overlooking the western end of Qutang Gorge, White Emperor City has long been the subject of many poems. From the site visitors can enjoy views that look back toward the Qutang Gorge – a sight that's depicted on the back of the Chinese 10-yuan bill (trip offered when river conditions permit).

Day 4: Yangtze River -

Take a shore excursion to the Xiaoguan Shan Ancient Folk Culture Park, a noted site for the relocation and reconstruction of architectural relics after the water rose on the Yangtze as a result of the Three Gorges Dam Project, and scenic Mt. Shuanggui, a national forest park. Depending on river conditions, an alternate excursion may be substituted with Shibaozhai, with its impressive wooden pagoda. This evening you enjoy a Farewell Dinner with the rest of the travelers and crew and prepare for disembarkation tomorrow morning.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Victoria Cruise or Similar

Optional Tour: Fengdu Ghost City.

In Fengdu Ghost City, you could visit dozens of interesting places and constructions, among which don't miss the highlighting Bridge of Troubled Water, Emperor's Palace, and Gate of Hell to know more about the culture of ghosts in China.

Day 5: Yangtze River - Chongqing

This morning you will disembark the cruise in the city of Chongqing.

Transfer to the hotel. You can explore this beautiful city at your own pace. Alternatively, you can join our well-planned optional day tour. On this sightseeing tour you'll explore the many landmarks of Chongqing including Hongyadong Folk Custom Scene Area, Ciqikou ancient town, Panda House and three Gorges Museum.

Meals: Breakfast.

Accommodation: Rezen Winterless Hotel Chongqing 4* or similar

Day 6: Chongqing - Home -

Today is still your leisure day. You can visit Chongqing on your own arrangement or join our optional day tour and be transferred to the airport in late evening. Our "to be a local tour" will take you to witness the magnificent 8D Chongqing by taking the subway, bus, elevator, escalator, cableway etc. to experience the magic transportation used by the locals every day. We will also go visit a wet market and try hotpot in the air-raid shelter used during World War II.

Meals: Breakfast.

Accommodation: On Plane

Day 7: Home

Today, you are at home and we hope you enjoy your trip with Asia Vacation Group!

INCLUSIONS

- **Return Flights included.**
- Airport transfers included on the first and last day of tour
- Water bottle per person per day
- 8 night hotel accommodation
- Dedicated transportation in comfortable, air-conditioned vehicles
- Daily Breakfast Buffet
- Fully escorted by English-speaking local guides
- In-depth sightseeing and all entry fees as per the itinerary

EXCLUSIONS

- Meals and drinks are not mentioned in the program
- Visa fee in China
- **Compulsory Tipping for driver and tour guide (NZ\$12 per person/day). This is collected by our tour guide when you arrives in China**
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance (we strongly recommend you hold a valid travel insurance policy for all domestic and overseas travel)
- Trip delay or interruption by airline schedule change
- Extra cost or missing tour caused by flight delay or cancel
- Any service not clearly mentioned in the program

DEPARTURE DATES: PRICE IS QUOTED IN NZ\$ PER PERSON

DEPART AU	RETURN DATE	PRICE	NOTE	RESERVE YOUR SEAT
Friday 21 Jun 2024	Thursday 27 Jun 2024	NZ\$1,999		Book
Friday 28 Jun 2024	Thursday 04 Jul 2024	NZ\$2,399		Book
Friday 02 Aug 2024	Thursday 08 Aug 2024	NZ\$2,899		Book
Friday 23 Aug 2024	Thursday 29 Aug 2024	NZ\$2,899		Book

OPTIONAL TOURS

FINE PRINT

FLIGHT INFORMATION

This package includes international flights from Auckland and surcharge **NZ\$500** from Queenstown and Christchurch, surcharge **NZ\$450** from Wellington

In this packages, we will use some different airlines such as: Air New Zealand, Qantas Airlines, Jetstar Airlines, Vietnam Airlines, China Airlines, China Southern Airlines, Vietjet Air or similar airlines (20kg for checked baggage per passenger and 7kg hand luggage per passenger, 01-piece check-in baggage).

- Some flights will require a minimum of 1 transit (maximum 2).
- All tickets will include 20 kilos checked baggage per person, along with 7 kilos of hand luggage.

- Despite the airlines baggage allowance, we recommend travelling with 20 kilos per person due to restrictions with internal flights (where applicable), as well as coach and train transportation. Also, you will be responsible for handling your luggage at all times as the services of porters is not included. If travelling over this amount, you will be liable for any excess baggage fees enforced by the airline, payable direct.
- Once ticketed, flights are non-refundable. Any changes will be subject to the airline rules, Airline change fees and an Asia Vacation Group change fee of NZ\$250 per person.
- Full names as per passport (including all middle names) are required. Any error in the names submitted will be subject to an Asia Vacation Group name change fee of NZ\$150 plus any applicable fees charged by the airline, or the ticket may be non-refundable with the purchase of a new ticket required.
- Any airline schedule changes or cancellations are beyond our control. It is important that you, as the customer, stay up-to-date with the latest airline schedule information prior to your departure. If a schedule change results in extended transits or an earlier/later departure from your destination, any additional accommodation or alternative arrangements will be at the traveler's expense.
- Any airline 'extras' such as pre-allocated seating is at your own arrangement (additional charges apply)
- After booking, the price payable may be subject to change as a result of factors beyond the control of Asia Vacation Group. Asia Vacation Group reserves the right to increase the price payable and this will be reflected on the customer's invoice. Increases may be in relation to, but not limited to, currency fluctuations, airline taxes, airfare increases and fuel surcharges.
- Internal airfares (where applicable and included in the itinerary) will be using a local carrier and may include low-cost carriers without meals or entertainment. Checked baggage will still be included for each passenger. Any additional baggage required is payable at time of check-in.
- If you are travelling with another party on a separate booking, we cannot guarantee that the same flights will be booked for all parties, as this strictly depends on availability.
- You will be responsible for handling your luggage at all times as the services of porters are not included. If travelling over the recommended amount, you will be liable for any excess baggage fees enforced by the airline, payable directly.
- In the event of that you no-show on your scheduled flight, please be aware the airline will require you to pay a no show fee, Airline reissue fee plus any additional airfare and taxes. Asia Vacation Group will also charge a NZ\$250 admin fee to assist re accommodating you on the next available flight. Please note that depending on the airline's policy, purchasing a new ticket may be required.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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Physical Requirements

A reasonable level of fitness is required but it's more about spending time on your feet rather than covering large distances. You'll be getting on and off coaches and boats, walking around the sights and climbing some steps.

Tipping

A friendly reminder that tipping is not included in your package. Please be advised that tipping for tour guides, drivers and bellmen are required and will be collected by your travel consultant 7 days before you depart. A gratuity of NZ\$10 per person/day can make a big difference to locals employed in the tourism industry as they have done an impeccable job to serve you through your holiday.

Accommodation

The accommodation listed is subject to change. Any changes will be of an equal or higher standard. Bedding configurations (double or twin) are requests only. All efforts will be made to meet your preferences however any changes are beyond our control.

Single Supplement

Single supplement is **NZ\$ per person** in addition to the twin share price.

Paired Solo Traveler

Not available.

Group size:

Maximum 30 persons

Triple Share

Upon your request except for cruises

Travel Insurance

Travel insurance is required to protect yourself against the unexpected.

Visa & Passport information

It is the traveler's responsibility to ensure they have a valid passport. The passport must be valid for a minimum of six months from the intended date of return and must have more than 2 blank pages.

A visa is required for travel to Vietnam. The visa is easiest to complete with Asia Vacation Group and just need to pay NZ\$160 for single entry for Vietnam Visa.

Tour Documentation

Final documentation, including e-tickets and hotel details, will be provided approximately 30 days prior to travel.

Children

Children must be 2 years old or over and share a room with parents at all times. Children are the same price as adults.

Tour Length

The total length of the tour in days includes time spent in flight and is subject to change depending on the flight schedule, please refer to the day by day itinerary for the time spent on land.

HOW TO EXTEND YOUR STAY

You can enhance your holiday by arriving or departing before or after the tour. On this tour you can pay extra for arriving early or extension your trip.

Pre-tour night: NZ /room/night

Post-tour night: NZ /room/night

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