

Silk Road Adventure

Destinations: Hong Kong, Xian, Urumqi, Kashgar, Turpan, Dunhuang, Lanzhou

Tour Features: This memorable Silk Road tour takes you from the beginning of the ancient route in Xian, where you will tour remains of Imperial China, out to the hinterlands of the Xinjiang. Here you will immerse yourself in the fabled landscapes and cities of western China. A highlight of this itinerary is a trip to Kashgar where you will tour the Sunday Bazaar, a teeming, vibrant marketplace for the local people and nomads.



Tour Code: CCT-TAT03S

Tour Class: Standard

Tour Departure: Flexible

Inclusion & Exclusion

Tour map

Tour Price: From 3,369 USD

Off Season	Quotations	Single Supplements
10 Person or up	USD 3,369/Person	USD 610/Person
6-9 Person	USD 3,577/Person	USD 715/Person
2-5 Person	USD 3,980/Person	USD 715/Person

Shoulder Season	Quotations	Single Supplements
10 Person or up	USD 3,417/Person	USD 655/Person
6-9 Person	USD 3,634/Person	USD 770/Person
2-5 Person	USD 4,038/Person	USD 770/Person

Peak Season	Quotations	Single Supplements
10 Person or up	USD 3,495/Person	USD 725/Person
6-9 Person	USD 3,705/Person	USD 840/Person
2-5 Person	USD 4,109/Person	USD 840/Person

Itinerary

Day 01 Hong Kong

Arrive in Hong Kong. Upon arrive in Hong Kong, meet and transfer to the Royal Pacific Hotel. The rest of the day will be free at your leisure.

Day 02 Hong Kong (B)

Free for you to explore Hong Kong at your own interest. You may enjoy a leisurely walk to the Tsim Sha Tsui, Yau Ma Tei, the Central District, Wan Chai, and Causeway Bay. Or if you are interested in shopping, you can also enjoy yourself in the shopper's paradise.

Day 03 Hong Kong / Xian (B, D)

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Xian. Upon arrival, you will be greeted by the local guide and transferred to the Aurum International Hotel. This evening you will enjoy the local flavor at our carefully-selected restaurant.

Day 04 Xian (B, L)

A full day tour recalls the glories of ancient Xian as you visit the burial site of the incredible army of 8000 lifelike **Terra-cotta soldiers**, the majestic Big Wild Goose Pagoda and the City Wall. Today you will enjoy the authentic Chinese cuisine for lunch.



Day 05 Xian / Urumqi (B, D)

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Urumqi, the capital of Xinjiang Uigur Autonomous Region. Check into the Xinjiang Grand Hotel. Enjoy a good rest this evening.

Day 06 Urumqi / Kashgar (B, L)

The highlight of our visit to Urumqi is an excursion to Heavenly Lake. Only one hour and a half drive from the city, it lies on snow-capped Mount Bogda at almost 2000 meters above sea level. The sapphire-blue lake is set in deep slope of pine forests and meadows of wild flowers where Kazak nomads camp. The views from the cruise boat are breathtaking. After lunch at carefully-selected restaurant, you will drive back to Urumqi. Proceed to visit the Regional Museum and excursion to Erdaoqiao International Grand Bazaar. Board a short flight to Kashigar this evening. Check in the local best Kashgar Barony Hotel.

Day 07 Kashgar (B, L)

No visitors to Kashigar should miss the Sunday Bazaar. In this teeming market, you can buy anything from herbal medicines to carpets, from a cradle to a camel. In the afternoon you may enjoy an exploration to the downtown. A tour will bring you to visit the vast Id Kah Mosque and the tomb of Abakh Khoja in the country lanes.



Day 08 Kashgar / Urumqi (B, L)

Kashgar is a fabled city with a rich mix of people and cultures. Mosques and veiled women feature strong Middle Eastern characteristics. In the morning, you will visit a Kinder garden, old city district - a typical Uygur nationality houses with local building material and a workshop where traditional carpet are made, a warren of twisting alleys and whitewashed walls, in a donkey cart taxi, at last you will have a chance to visit the Uygur family. Fly back to Urumqi this evening. Enjoy a good rest at the Xinjiang Grand Hotel.

Day 09 Urumqi / Turpan (B, L)

Today's highlight is the Nanshan Pastures where nomadic tribesmen herd their yaks and sheep. You will have the opportunity to visit a family in their tent for a taste of traditional nomadic hospitality. A short coach journey takes you through the desert to the Oasis town of Turpan, famous for its melons and vineyards. Check into the local best Hotel Tuha Petroleum.

Day 10 Turpan / Dunhuang (B, L)

Today's tour includes visits to the ruined city of Gaochang by donkey cart, and the underground tombs of Astana, the legendary Flaming Mountains, and Bezeklik Caves whose walls are adorned with Buddhists frescoes. You will also see the Emin Minaret, one of the finest buildings on the Silk Road, and Karez Well - an underground irrigation system. Board the overnight train to Dunhuang. Over night on the train.



Day 11 Dunhuang (B, L)

Arrive in Dunhuang in the morning. Enjoy breakfast in the Dunhuang Hotel. Dunhuang was a strategic post on the Silk Road and frontier town of the ancient. A leisurely day includes visits to **Singing Sand Dune** and Crescent Moon Lake set in an amphitheater of sand dunes and has a camel ride. Stay at the local best Dunhuang Hotel this evening.

Day 12 Dunhuang (B, L)

You will visit the most famous monument of Dunhuang-the Mogao Caves, popularly known as "Thousand Buddha Caves". An art gallery in the desert, the walls of the caves are lined with Buddhist frescoes and sculpted figures, is said to be the finest examples of Buddhist art in the world. Mixing Indian and Chinese styles, they are a remarkable record of Silk Road civilization. You will enjoy delicious local flavor for today's lunch. Afternoon program will take



you to visit the County museum and White Horse Pagoda.

Day 13 Dunhuang / Lanzhou (B, L)

Fly to Lanzhou, which is located on the banks of the Yellow River. A city tour takes you to the White Pagoda Hill with its many pavilions offer views of the Yellow River and the city below. You will also visit Gansu Provincial Museum with the world famous Galloping horse, the Five Spring Park, Yellow River Bridge and watermill along the Yellow River. Check into the four-star Legend Hotel.

Day 14 Lanzhou / Xian (B)

Enjoy your free time during the day. Fly to Xian later. Upon arrival, meet and transfer to the Aurum International Hotel. Enjoy a good rest tonight.

Day 15 Xian / Hong Kong (B)

Transfer to the airport for your flight to the Hong Kong. The whole tour ends with a memorable experience.

Remarks:

1. Seasonality

Shoulder season: March 15-31, April, May, June, July, August, October, 2010

Peak season: July, August, September, 2010

2. Above prices are not valid during Spring Festival and National Holiday (1-7 October). Please contact us if your equerries fall into the above periods.

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