

Train Tour to Tibet

Tour Features: This trip is one of luxury and pleasures. You will stay in first class hotels, and travel in comfort and style. Eat the best food the locals have on offer. See the finest sites possible.

After 3 days of experiencing the best Beijing has to offer, including the Great Wall of China, the Temple of Heaven, and the Forbidden City, you will disembark and travel the highest railway in the World, The Qinghai–Tibet railway. As the train trundles along the high Tibetan plateau, thorough picturesque scenery of the Tibetan countryside, you won't be able to take your eyes of the magnificence as your eyes drink it all in. While in Lhasa you will visit the most sacred place in Tibet, Jokhang Temple, and the largest monastery in Asia, Drepung Monastery. You will eat with the locals and try traditional food. Mingle with the crowds and see how the locals shop. A plane flight from Lhasa to Chengdu will help the journey back down from the plateau. Chengdu, also known as the Home of the Giant Panda, see the ancient town of Luodai where the buildings are built in the ancient style of the Qing Dynasty. Before heading to Xi'an, visit the Giant Panda Breeding Base, one of the significant centers for captive conservation of Giant Pandas in the world. In Xi'an, we will visit the ancient burial site of the first Emperor of China. Here you will see the greatest archeological discovery of the 20th Century, the Terracotta Warriors. Our next destination, Shanghai, you will be fascinated by the famous Yu Garden, a Suzhou style garden dating back hundreds of years. The journey will conclude after you have seen the famous water town of Zhujiajiao.

Tour Code: CCT-TAT05S

Destinations: Lhasa, Gyantze, Shigatse, Tingri, Everest Base Camp

Tour Price: From 1,695 USD

Highlight: Forbidden City, Great Wall, Potala Palace, Drepung Monastery, Jokhang Temple, Barkhor Street, Giant Panda Breeding Base, Terra-cotta Warriors, Yuyuan Garden...

Tour Class: Standard

Tour Departure: Flexible

URL: <http://www.china-tour.cn/China-Tours/CCT-TAT05SS.htm>

Prices of this tour:



Off Season	Quotation	Single Supplement
10 Person or up	USD1,695/Person	USD285/Person
6-9 Person	USD1,972/Person	USD360/Person
2-5 Person	USD2,355/Person	USD360/Person

Shoulder Season	Quotation	Single Supplement
10 Person or up	USD1,820/Person	USD365/Person
6-9 Person	USD2,082/Person	USD420/Person
2-5 Person	USD2,490/Person	USD420/Person

Peak Season	Quotation	Single Supplement
10 Person or up	USD1,870/Person	USD415/Person
6-9 Person	USD2,135/Person	USD470/Person
2-5 Person	USD2,545/Person	USD470/Person

Day 01 Arrive Beijing

Arrive in Beijing. Upon your arrival, you will be met by your English speaking guide displaying your name. Transfer with guide to your first-class Beijing Holiday Inn Downtown Hotel in Beijing.

Day 02 Beijing (B, L)

Morning program takes you to **Tian An Men Square** and the **Forbidden City**, the residence of emperors for more than 500 years. Enjoy the famous cuisine at carefully-selected restaurant. Afternoon sightseeing features the **Temple of Heaven**, where emperors once prayed for good harvests.



Day 03 Beijing (B, L)

The highlight today is a visit to the **Great Wall**, a symbol of the Chinese ancient civilization. After enjoying a delicious lunch at our carefully-selected restaurant, you will visit the **Ming Tombs**, the burial grounds for the 13 Ming Dynasty emperors. On the way back to the hotel, you will have a short exterior visit to "the Birds Nest, Water Cube"---the main Olympic Stadium built for the 2008 Olympic Games.

Day 04 Beijing/Lhasa (B, L)

After breakfast, drive to visit the Summer Palace, a summer resort for Empress Dowager Ci Xi. Then you will visit the **Gongwangfu Garden**, the largest private mansion house in the Qing Dynasty. After that, you will explore the 'Hutong'(residential area) in a rickshaw and have a glimpse of traditional Beijing life. Transfer to the railway station to take the overnight soft-sleeper train to Lhasa.

Day 05 Beijing / Lhasa

Today you traverse the highest train pass in the world at over 5000m. Enjoy the scenery of jagged mountain peaks capped in ice and the permanently frozen Tibetan Plateau.



Day 06 Lhasa

Arrive in Lhasa in the late afternoon. You meet your tour guide at the railway station and transferred to your first-class Tibet Hotel and rest.

Day 07 Lhasa (B, L)

After breakfast you will take a guided tour to the immense **Potala Palace** built in the 7th century by the famous Tibetan king-Songtzen Gampo. The present one was built by the 5th Dalai Lama in the 17th century. It became known as the "Winter Palace" by the 1750, when the 7th Dalai Lama built the Norbulingka Park as his summer residence. After having a western-style lunch, you will visit **Jokhang Temple**, situated in the old section of Lhasa. King Songtzen Gampo built this temple in the mid-7th century A.D. Now it is the most sacred place in Tibet. Pilgrims come here to pay homage from all over Tibet. In the late afternoon, you will have a chance to stroll on **Barkhor Street** to mingle in the crowds and enjoy the market activity.

Day 08 Lhasa (B, L)

Full day sightseeing takes you to **Drepung Monastery**. "Drepung" in Tibetan means "the hill of rice" because this white Monastery looks like a big hill of rice. This monastery occupies an area of 150,000 square meters with 7700 lamas and becomes the largest monastery in Asia. After enjoying a local Tibet-style lunch, you will visit **Norbulingka Park**. In 1752, the 7th Dalai Lama built the first palace here for successive Dalai Lamas to carry out their political and religious activities during the summer season. Today Norbulingka has become a public park for picnicking, relaxing and entertainment. Continue to visit **Sera Monastery**. Sera means 'Hailstone' in Tibetan, and legend tells that it hailed during the foundation of this famous monastery.



Day 09 Lhasa / Chengdu (B, L)

After breakfast you are transferred to the airport for the flight to Chengdu -- Home of the Giant Panda. Check into 4-star Jinyu Sunshine Hotel. In the afternoon, take a leisure stroll at **Jinli Old Street** in Chengdu.

Day 10 Chengdu (B, L)

Full day tour takes you to visit Luodai Old Town. Known as the "first Hakka town in western China", **Luodai Ancient Town** boasts a long history. The houses, courtyards and streets are built in the ancient style of Qing Dynasty (1644-1911) in Luodai. Stroll around the old town. Transfer back to Chengdu in the late afternoon.



Day 11 Chengdu / Xian (B, L)

Following breakfast is a visit to the **Giant Panda Breeding Base**, one of the most important centers in China for the captive conservation of giant pandas. A sumptuous hot pot lunch will be served for you at the local popular restaurant. In the afternoon, take the flight to Xian. Meet your guide at the airport and transfer to 4-star Aurum International Hotel.

Day 12 Xian (B, L)

A full day tour recalls the glories of ancient Xian as you visit the burial site of an incredible army of 8,000 lifelike **Terra-cotta soldiers**. After lunch drive back to the city and visit the **majestic Wild Goose Pagoda** and **Shaanxi History Museum**.



Day 13 Xian / Shanghai (B, L)

In the morning, take the flight to Shanghai, the financial center in China. You are greeted with the tour guide at the airport and transferred to the 4-star Baron Business Hotel. Lunch will be arranged for you at a local best Shanghai cuisine restaurant. Proceed to visit the fascinating **Yu Garden**, a well-restored Suzhou-style garden, and take a walk through the Old Town filled with antique markets and specialty stores. Afterwards, visit **Nanjing Road** and **The Bund**, which is Shanghai's main shopping street and famous for its modern stores.

Day 14 Shanghai (B, L)

The whole day tour will bring you to visit the beautiful water town, **Zhujiajiao village**. Today you will enjoy the typical local food for lunch. Return back to Shanghai in the late afternoon.

Day 15 Shanghai (B)

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight and service concludes.

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