

[Tour code: TE-003]

### Beijing-Xi'an-chengdu-Lhasa-Xigaze-Guangzhou (15 Day)



**Day01 Arrive in Beijing** Arrive Beijing Arrive Beijing, the capital of the People's Republic of China. Meet your guide upon arrival and transfer to your deluxe hotel. (D)

**Day02 Beijing** Beijing Morning tour to Tiananmen Square, located in the heart of the capital, and the Imperial Palace, known as the Forbidden City - one of the greatest feats of ancient Chinese architecture. Afternoon sightseeing includes Summer Palace - a former summer resort area of the royal family. Welcome Peking Duck Banquet in the evening. (B-L-D)

**Day03 Beijing** Beijing Full day excursion to the Great Wall - the landmark of China. It is one of the most amazing feats of human labour - the only man-made construction on earth visible from outer space. After lunch, a drive to the Ming Tombs along the Sacred Way with giant marble figures and animals guarding the tomb area for deceased emperors of the Ming Dynasty.(B-L-D)

**Day04 Beijing-Xi'an** Beijing To Xi'an Take morning flight to Xi'an, the great ancient capital and the eastern end of the Silk Road. City tour begins with a visit to the ancient City Wall which was built in 1370 A.D. Afternoon visit to Big Wild Goose Pagoda which was built in 652 A.D. It contains a large volume of Buddhist scriptures which were obtained from India by the eminent monk of Xuanzang. Attend a special Tang Dynasty Show in the evening. (B-L-D)

**Day05 Xi'an** Xi'an Full day excursion to the unparalleled highlight Terra-Cotta Warriors and Horses at the Tomb of Qin Shi Huang, the first emperor in China. Added highlights are a visit to the Huaqing Hot Spring - a former resort area especially for the emperors and the royal family and a visit to Banpo Village - the remains of a neolithic village dating back 6,000 years. Primitive tools and household utensils are displayed in the Banpo Museum. Time permits, visit factory where copies of Terra-cotta Warriors and Horses are made. With the introduction of the workman there, you may try to use clay and mould to make the copies of Terra-cotta Warriors and Horses yourself. (B-L-D)

**Day06 Xi'an-Chengdu** Xi'an To Chengdu A 2-hour flight to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan Province and a place known as "the Land of Abundance". City tour begins with Wu Hou Shrine and Du Fu's Thatched Cottage - home of a great poet of Tang Dynasty.(B-L-D)

**Day07 Chengdu** Chengdu Morning tour to the Dujiang Dam, a famous historical engineering marvel conceived and designed in 250 B.C. as a mammoth irrigation project. Visit the Precious Light Monastery in the afternoon. (B-L-D)



**Day08 Chengdu-Lhasa**

Chengdu to Lhasa Take morning flight to Lhasa, capital of the Tibetan Autonomous Region, famed as the "City of Sunshine", an enchanting city with numerous historic sites and famous relics. Rest of day is for free and acclimation to altitude.(B-L-D)

**Day09 Lhasa** Lhasa Your visit in Lhasa begins with the highest palace in the world, the Potala Palace, famed as a bright pearl on "the Roof of the World" and Jokang

Temple, one of Buddhism's holiest shrines, Dreponng Monastery and a Tibetan carpet factory. (B-L-D)

**Day10 Lhasa-Xigaze** Leaving early in the morning, we drive throughstunning varied scenery and part nomadic settlements to Xigaze, Tibet's second largest city. Afternoon visit to Panchen Lama's home and Tashilumpo Monastery, built in 1447, which is a mystical assembly of gold, red and white, where you can see monks at prayer. There is also a stop to see Kumbun Stupa at Gyantse. (B-L-D)

**Day11 Xigaze-Lhasa** Morning is free to shop and explore. Moving through the rapidly changing scenery of central Tibet and descend to the valley of the holly river, we finally drive back to Lhasa. (B-L-D)

**Day12 Lhasa** Sightseeing today includes the Norbulingka Park, the Sera Monastery, then a visit to hospitable Tibetan family and take a stroll in the open market Barkhor.(B-L-D)

**Day13 Lhasa-Chengdu** Return to Chengdu by air in the morning. Remainder of day is free to shop and explore. (B)

**Day14 Chengdu-Guangzhou** Chengdu To Guangzhou Leave for Guangzhou, the southern gateway to China. Sightseeing features the Memorial Hall of Dr.Sun Yat-sen, the Six Banyan Pagoda and Temple. Time permitting, visit the Yue Xiu Park and the Pearl River.(B-L-D)

**Day15 Depart Guangzhou** Depart Guangzhou Your exciting journey draws to a close as you board an express train for Hong Kong or your international flight home.(B)

**B:Breakfast L:Lunch D:Dinner**