

Learn about the pampered life of emperors and the everyday life of schoolchildren. Step into history on the Great Wall and into the future on the Shanghai Bund. Explore Xi'an, the Chinese capital through 11 dynasties. Ride a rickshaw, sip tea, try Taiji. Immerse yourself in China: culturally fascinating, politically relevant, and home to a fifth of the world's population.

# **EVERYTHING YOU GET:**



**Full-time Tour Director** 



Sightseeing: 3 sightseeing tours led by expert, licensed local guides (4 with extension); 1 sightseeing tour led by your Tour Director



Entrances: Summer Palace; Forbidden City; Tiananmen Square; Great Wall of China; Hutong rickshaw tour; Temple of Heaven Park; Terracotta Warriors; Shanghai World Financial Center; Jade Buddha Temple; Yu Yuan Garden; With extension: Star Ferry ride; Peak Tram; Man Mo Temple



Experiential learning: Taiji lesson; School visit; Tea ceremony; Meal with Chinese family; Bike ride on the Xi'an City Wall; With extension: Dim Sum tasting



weShare, our project-based learning program that combines an online platform with global experiences







All of the details are covered: Round-trip flights on major carriers; Comfortable motorcoach; Internal flights; 7 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms (10 with extension); Breakfast and dinner daily (2 dinners with extension)





# Anyone can see the world.

# YOU'RE GOING TO EXPERIENCE IT.

As you can see, your EF tour includes visits to the places you've learned about in school. That's a given. But it's so much more than that. Immersing yourself in new cultures—surrounded by the people, the language, the food, the way of life—creates inspirational moments that can't be listed in an itinerary. They can only be experienced.

And the experience begins long before you get your passport stamped and meet your *Tour Director* in your arrival city. It begins the moment you decide to go. Whether it's connecting with other travelers on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram, or delving deeper into your destinations with our online learning platform, *weShare*, the excitement will hit you long before you pack your suitcase.

When your group arrives abroad, everything is taken care of so you can relax and enjoy the experience. Your full-time Tour Director is with your group around the clock, handling local transportation, hotels and meals while also providing their own insight into the local history and culture. *Expert local guides* will lead your group on sightseeing tours, providing detailed views of history, art, architecture or anything you may have a question about.

When your journey is over and you're unpacking your suitcase at home, you'll realize the benefits of your life-changing experience do not end. They have just begun.

**@EFtours** I attribute my college semester abroad to the love for travel I discovered on an EF Tour in high school **#traveltuesday** 

- MELISSA, TRAVELER





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# What you'll experience on your tour

## Day 1: Fly overnight to China

## Day 2: Beijing

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport in Beijing, the capital of the People's Republic of China. During your stay, behold the opulence of its ancient temples, palaces and gates. Step back in time in the Forbidden City, whose grandeur is epitomized by the golden-roofed Imperial Palace. Discover the principles of Taiji on the magical garden grounds of the Summer Palace. Stand in Tiananmen Square, a site of worldwide cultural significance. And finally, no trip to Beijing would be complete without an excursion to the Great Wall of China. Construction of this 3,000-mile man-made marvel, used to defend the Chinese Empire against northern invaders, began in the third century B.C.

## Day 3: Beijing

- Take an expertly guided tour of Beijing
- Visit the Summer Palace
- Take a dragon boat ride (April-Oct.)
- Participate in a Taiji lesson
- Visit the Forbidden City
- Visit Tiananmen Square
- Visit a local school (if in session)
- Enjoy an authentic Peking duck dinner

### Day 4: Badaling | Beijing

- Travel to Badaling
- Take a tour of the Great Wall of China
- Participate in a tea ceremony
- Take a Hutong rickshaw tour
- Enjoy an authentic Chinese meal with Hutong families
- Enjoy a free evening or
- Attend The Legend of Kung Fu show

#### Day 5: Beijing | Xi'an

- Visit the Temple of Heaven Park
- Fly to Xi'an, where the massive wall surrounding the city is a testament to its importance: It has served as the capital of 11 dynasties. While here, you'll follow in the footsteps of Silk Road traveler Marco Polo. Visit the life-size sculptures known as the Terracotta Warriors, which were created to protect the tomb of Emperor Qin Shi Huangdi, founder of the Qin Dynasty. Of these 6,000 models, no two are alike. Watch how these treasures were excavated in a fascinating 3D film.
- Take a bike ride on the ancient City Wall

# Day 6: Xi'an

- Take an expertly guided tour of Xi'an
- Visit the Terracotta Warriors
- Enjoy a free evening or
  - Attend a Tang Dynasty show with dinner

#### Day 7: Shanghai

- Fly to Shanghai and discover a nexus point of ancient custom and modern technology. Once considered the "Wall Street of the East," the Bund is a waterfront promenade offering a postcard-perfect view of Shanghai's famous skyline. During your stay you'll ascend to the observation deck of the Shanghai World Financial Center and also see the Jade Buddha Temple. Sculpted out of white jade, these Buddhas were brought from Burma by a Chinese monk in the last century. One portrays Buddha experiencing Enlightenment; the other his transcendence into Nirvana. Stroll past goldfish ponds and admire classical Chinese landscape in the Yu Garden. Before you depart, pick up a souvenir along colorful Nanjing Lu, or Nanjing Road.
- Visit Shanghai World Financial Center
- Enjoy free time on the Bund
- Attend a Chinese acrobatics show

#### Day 8: Shanghai

- Take an expertly guided tour of Shanghai
- Visit Jade Buddha Temple
- Visit Yu Yuan Garden
- See Nanjing Lu

Day 9: Depart for home

#### **©** 3-DAY TOUR EXTENSION

### Day 9: Hong Kong

- Fly to Hong Kong

# Day 10: Hong Kong

- Take an expertly guided tour of Hong Kong: Aberdeen; Repulse Bay
- Take the Peak Tram up to Victoria Peak
- Visit Stanley Market
- Visit Man Mo Temple
- Enjoy a Dim Sum tasting
- Ride the Star Ferry

# Day 11: Hong Kong

Full day to see more of Hong Kong or
 Visit Lantau Island

Day 12: Depart for home

Traveling to China showed me a whole new world outside of my life in North Carolina. Now that I know that there is so much more out there in our world, I want to travel and see new places as much as I possibly can!

- CAITLIN, TRAVELER



This tour was the highlight of my Senior Year! Going to all the different places (the Great Wall, Terracotta Warriors, the local language school, the Jade Buddha Temple, etc.) made me so much more aware of the world around me, and the difference between the cultures.

- RACHAEL, TRAVELER



# TOP THREE THINGS I WILL SEE, DO, TRY OR EXPLORE

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As a parent I am very grateful that I was able to give this opportunity to my child. It was worth every penny to see her smiling face in the pictures on the trip. Encourage your child to embrace the moment; be open to new cultures, foods, and just a new way of life and looking at things.

-KATHLEEN. DAUGHTER TRAVELED APRIL 2013



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