

## Group #2

## CHINA COMFORT TRAVEL

### 2018 Fall NY Retired Teachers' 14 Days China Tour (Group #2) Shanghai, Beijing, Xian, Suzhou & Hangzhou 10/11 to 10/24/2018

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Tel: 201-363-1395 or 551-587-3297, [Website: www.nyteacherstour.org](http://www.nyteacherstour.org)

\$2,480/person, (Child under 12, \$100 off) Deadline: 8/5/2018

- Inclusive of:**
- ▲ China Eastern Airline economy class New York → Shanghai round trip airfare & airport tax
  - ▲ China Eastern Airline economy class Shanghai → Beijing → Xian → Shanghai airfare & airport tax
  - ▲ Guided group tour with English-speaking tour guides
  - ▲ All Sightseeing admissions as listed in itinerary and 2 Chinese cultural performance shows
  - ▲ 3 Meals daily: Breakfast, Lunch, & Dinner as listed
  - ▲ 4 Star Hotels: Twin-sharing accommodations
  - ▲ Chartered air-conditioned buses in each city, and transfers from Shanghai to Suzhou & Hangzhou
  - ▲ Free Chinese visa application assistance

**Day One: 10/11 New York City → Shanghai (2 Meals served on Airplane)**

Board China Eastern Airline Flight MU 588 leaving JFK Airport at 4:25 PM, 14 hour non-stop flight to Shanghai, China.

**Day Two: 10/12 Shanghai-Suzhou (-/-/-)**

Meet our representative at Shanghai Airport and ride chartered bus to Suzhou. Check in Grand Metro Park Hotel (4-Star)

**Day Three: 10/13 Suzhou (B/L/D)**

This morning, you will visit Luzhi Town where you will find a waterway village with a long history, and get a feel for the rural China. After lunch, you will visit Tiger Hill and its Giant Leaning Pagoda. Tiger Hill is a large hillock covering about 3.5 acres and only 118 feet in height. Climbing it, you will find a number of historical sites some of which can be traced back over 2,500 years to the founding of Suzhou. Then, take a boat cruise on famous Ancient Canal. Grand Metro Park Hotel (4-Star)

**Day Four: 10/14 Luzhi- Hangzhou (B/L/D)**

After breakfast, visit beautiful gardens the Linger Garden. Occupying an area of 5.8 acres. Originally a classical private garden, it is one of the four most famous gardens in China. Possessing typical Qing style, it is well-known for the exquisite beauty of its magnificent halls, and the various sizes, shapes, and colors of the buildings. In 1997, it was recorded on the list of the world heritage by UNESCO. Suzhou is famous for silk and silk merchandise. During the day, you will visit Suzhou Silk Factory. After lunch, ride chartered bus to Hangzhou. New Century Hotel & Resort (4-Star)

**Day Five: 10/15 Hangzhou (B/L/D)**

Start your tour with visiting famous Temple of the Souls' Retreat. The presence of a temple on this site can be traced back to 1700 years ago. According to local legend, Huili, an Indian monk came to the area where he was inspired by the spiritual nature of the scenery to be found here. Then, you visit Tea Plantation where you will be able to taste the fragrant and delicate "Dragon Well Tea". Afternoon, you will visit Huagang Park and Fish Wonder at Huagang Crook. Finally, take cruise on the beautiful West Lake. New Century Hotel & Resort (4-Star)

**Day Six: 10/16 Hangzhou - Shanghai (B/L/D)**

This morning, you will ride chartered bus to Shanghai. Upon arrival, you will stroll through Old Shanghai City, where many historic buildings were preserved or reconstructed & you can experience old Shanghai city life and enjoy gift store shopping. Then, you will tour to the riverfront boardwalk Bund, where it is the best place to capture the western influence of Shanghai's old days. Evening, enjoy a short, leisurely Cruise on the Huangpu River and glimpse Shanghai in all of its glory! Grand Mercure Shanghai Century Park Hotel (4-Star)

**Day Seven: 10/17 Shanghai (B/L/-)**

Morning, you will visit famous Jade Buddha Temple which was built in 1882 to keep two jade Buddha statues, brought from Burma by a monk named Huigen. Then, stroll along the Nanjing Road, China's premier shopping street 3.4 miles in length. After lunch, it is your free half day to explore the exciting city of Shanghai. Grand Mercure Shanghai Century Park Hotel (4-Star)

**Day Eight: 10/18 Shanghai – Beijing (B/-/D)**

This morning, transfer to airport & board Flight MU5107 to Beijing. Upon arrival, you will ride on a traditional rickshaw to the Drum Tower for the best views of the Hutong's labyrinth of galleys and streets in the old city of Beijing, where you will meet a local Chinese family to glimpse into the traditional life of Beijing's people. Then, stroll through the famous Houhai Bar Street. Enjoy cultural performance: Chinese Acrobatics in the evening. Wanda Realm Hotel (4-Star)

**Day Nine: 10/19 Beijing (B/L/D)**

Start your city tour with a visit to Tian'anmen Square, the world's largest and most famous square. Follow with a tour of the Forbidden City, the Imperial Palace for Ming & Qing emperors with 9,999 rooms full of legendary stories of the royal families. Finally, tour the picturesque Summer Palace, the largest ancient preserved garden in China. Wanda Realm Hotel (4-Star)

**Day Ten: 10/20 Beijing (B/L/D)**

The highlight of today is a trip to the astonishing Great Wall. The Great Wall is the most famous image of the China throughout the world. It is over 3,000 miles long at an elevation of 1,000 meter, and is one of the Eight Wonders of the world. Then, visit the Scared Way at the southern end of the mausoleum. Built in 1540, the Sacred Way is a large memorial archway in China. Next, visit famous Qianmen Street of Beijing. Qianmen Street has history of more than 570 years. During the Qing Dynasty, there were many specialized outlets on either side of it. Nowadays, Qianmen Street is a symbol of genuine local culture. It has many of China's time-honored names. Visitors can enjoy a traditional Chinese way of life. Moreover, it has many international brands. The trams were first introduced to Beijing in 1924. Now, old trams become sightseeing trolley running on Qianmen Street. Enjoy a famous Peking Duck Dinner in the evening. Wanda Realm Hotel (4-Star)

**Day Eleven: 10/21 Beijing – Xian (B/-/D)**

This morning, transfer to airport and board Flight **MU2106** to **Xian**, an ancient capital city for 11 dynasties. Upon arrival, you will visit **Ancient City Wall and South Gate**. This is the most impressive access point of Xian's 39-foot-high Ming Dynasty city wall. **Empark Grand Hotel (4-Star)**

**Day Twelve: 10/22 Xian (B/L/D)**

After breakfast, you will visit the **Shanxi Province History Museum** which is rated No.1 museum in China. Then, visit famed **Terra Cotta Warriors Museum**. The Museum is a super large collection of life-size terra cotta sculptures in battle formations, reproducing the mega imperial guard troops of Emperor Qin Shi Huang 2500 years ago, the first emperor of the first unified dynasty of Imperial China. Being the most significant archeological excavations of the 20th century and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy a traditional **Tang Dynasty Music & Dance Show** evening. **Empark Grand Hotel (4-Star)**

**Day Thirteen: 10/23 Xian (B/L/D)**

Morning, visit a village in **Huixan County**. The County is well-known for its **Farmer's Painting**. You will see the traditional paintings produced by local farmers. Also, you will learn how to make paper cutting. Enjoy your lunch with local farmer's family. Then, **visit a local school**, observe the class & communicate with students and teachers. **Empark Grand Hotel (4-Star)**

**Day Fourteen: 10/24 Xian → Shanghai → New York (B)**

After breakfast, transport to airport and board China Eastern Airline **MU291** at 1:30 PM to **Shanghai**. Take homeward connecting flight **MU297** at 7:10 PM, and arrive **JFK** the same day at 10:15 PM.

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

**\$2,480/person**, price based on double hotel room occupancy, single private room is \$400.00 extra.

**Exclusive of:**

▲ Chinese visa application fee. Participant should be responsible to arrange for your own visa required for traveling to China.

▲ Gratuities for local tour guides and drivers.

**Reservation Procedure:**

To complete your trip reservation, please send the following items to "China Comfort Travel, 2000 Linwood Avenue Suite #11K, Fort Lee, New Jersey 07024" before the deadline:

1. Completed **2018 Fall China Tour Registration Form**;
2. A copy of your first passport page. If you don't have valid passport, you must provide 1<sup>st</sup> page of your old passport or name on your birth certificate or Passport Application Form;
3. \$300/per person deposit check payable to "China Comfort Travel".

**Payment Method and Due Date:**

We accept personal checks or money orders. No credit cards please. There are total of 3 payments:

1. The first deposit of \$300 must be paid at the time of reservation
2. The second payment of \$1,000 per person is due on 8/6/2018.
3. The remaining balance is due on 9/15/2018.

Failure to comply with deposit & payment requirement will result in automatic cancellation of your reservations.

**Cancellation Policy:**

All cancellation notice must be received by mail. Upon receipt of your written cancellation notice, the non-refundable penalty will apply as follows:

| Days Prior to Tour Departure Date    | Penalty Applied Per Person   |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 65 days prior to departure           | \$200 per person             |
| 40-64 days prior to departure        | \$400 per person             |
| 30-39 days prior to departure        | \$700 Per Person             |
| 10-29 days prior to departure        | 60% of tour fare per person  |
| Less than 10 days prior to departure | 100% of tour fare per person |

No refund or reimbursement for any voluntary giving up of meals, tours and/or accommodations.

Please visit our website for more travel information: [www.nyteacherstour.org](http://www.nyteacherstour.org) For Reservation and Questions call: 551-587-3297

E-mail to: [chinatravel20@yahoo.com](mailto:chinatravel20@yahoo.com). Please make your deposit & payment to "China Comfort Travel", and mail it to:

China Comfort Travel, 2000 Linwood Avenue Suite 11K, Fort Lee, New Jersey 07024

**Travel Insurance:**

**Group Protection Plan**

| Benefits  | Limits Per Person |
|---|-------------------|
| <b>Trip Cancellation</b>  | <b>Trip Cost</b>  |
| <b>Cancel for Work Reasons</b>                                      | <b>Trip Cost</b>  |
| <b>Coverage due to work Related seasons in addition to job loss</b> |                   |
| <b>Trip Interruption</b>  | 150% of Trip Cost |
| <b>Trip Delay</b>   | \$750 (\$150/day) |
| <b>Baggage/Personal Effect</b>                                      | \$1,500           |
| <b>Baggage Delay</b>  | \$400             |
| <b>Accident &amp; Sickness Medical Expenses</b>                     | \$50,000          |
| <b>Evacuation/Repatriation</b>                                      | \$250,000         |
| <b>Non-Insurance World Emergency Assistance Services</b>            | Included          |
| <b>Cancel for Any Reason</b>  | Optional          |

United States Fire Insurance Company & Administered by *Travel Insured International*. For detailed information, please contact us.