Strathfield Girls High School

China Educational Tour 2017

Departing on 20th Sep 2017

10 days tour to Shanghai, Beijing & Xian
Itinerary

Day 1: 20 Sep Australia ★ Hong Kong ★ Shanghai

Today you will fly with Cathay Pacific flight CX162 1005/1750 to Hong Kong, then connect the flight KA894 1905/2135 to Shanghai, the tour guide will meet you at Shanghai airport and transfer you to the Sunrise on the Bund Hotel 4* for 3 nights.

Day 2: 21 Sep Shanghai

Meal: B/L/D

Today you will visit the new district across from the Bund called Pudong to experience the economic booming of China and the landmark of Shanghai – The Oriental Pearl TV Tower, where you get a bird’s eye view of the city. In the afternoon you will visit Yu Yuan Garden, a classical Ming Dynasty garden with pavilions, towers, and terraces then followed by the Chenghuangmiao bazaar. Then the Bund and Nanjing Road. Tonight you will have a cruise on the Huangpu River.

Day 3: 22 Sep Shanghai ★ Tongli ★ Shanghai

Meal: B/L/D

Today you will visit a small historical town of Tong Li, an example of a typical water town. You wander through the narrow alleys and have hop on a cruise along its zigzag waterways. After lunch drive back to Shanghai, in the evening enjoy the Shanghai Acrobatic Show.

Day 4: 23 Sep Shanghai ★ Beijing (5 hours) Meal: B/L/D

Today you will be transferred you to Railway station for the bullet train to Beijing, the tour guide will meet you at Beijing Railway station and transfer you to the Beijing Qianmen Jianguo Hotel 4* Afternoon tour to the Summer Palace, which is the largest and best preserved of all the imperial palace gardens, and boasts such delights as the “Marble Boat” and the ornately painted "Long Corridor".

Day 5: 24 Sep Beijing

Meal: B/L/D

Today's visit includes Tiananmen Square, the largest City Square in the world. From Tiananmen Square, visitors enter the gates of the Forbidden City. This massive complex was the centre of the Ming and Qing dynasties. With almost 10,000 rooms, this remarkable, well-preserved imperial palace is the largest palace in the world. After lunch, you will take a trishaw ride to visit the Hutongs, which is an ancient city alley, followed by lunch at the local Chinese family to experience the life of the local people.

Day 6: 25 Sep Beijing

Meal: B/L/D

Today you visit the Great Wall of China. This is the pride of China and one of the Seven Wonders of the World. It is one of the most amazing man-made structures. After climbing the Great Wall, you then head off to the 2008 Beijing Olympic venues of the Bird’s Nest and Water Cube for a photo stop. Dinner tonight is the famous Beijing Duck Banquet.

Day 7: 26 Sep Beijing ★ Xian

Meal: B/L/D

Morning tour to the Temple of Heaven, a Ming Temple where the Emperors performed annual rites essential for the wellbeing of their land,. Afternoon transfer to railway station for the bullet train to Xian, met and transferred to Xian Days Inn hotel 4* for 2 nights. .

Day 8: 27 Sep Xian Meal: B/L/D

Today you visit the "Terracotta Warriors". They are found at an archaeological site which so far has yielded some 8000 ancient terra cotta soldiers and horses, each a unique, finely detailed sculpture. An afternoon tour to Ancient City Wall, where you can ride bikes. Dinner is served as a delicious dumpling banquet and followed by a spectacular Tang Dynasty Show.

Day 9: 28 Sep Xian ★ Hong Kong ★ Sydney

Meal: B/L

Today you will visit Shanxi Provincial museum in the morning, after lunch transfer to the airport for the flight KA943 1550/1900 to Hong Kong, then connect the flight CX161 departing at 2130 back to Sydney.

Day 10: 29 Sep Sydney

Arrive in Sydney at 0845 in the morning.
Estimated cost: $3380.00 per student

**Inclusions:**
1. Twin share room in 4* hotels or similar class
2. Fully inclusive tour with meals as per itinerary
3. Cathay Pacific economy airfare flight Sydney / Hong Kong / Shanghai, Xian / Hong Kong / Sydney with all airport taxes & fuel surcharges
4. Second class train Shanghai– Beijing – Xian
5. English speaking National and local guide service
6. China Visa $109.50 per person for Australian passport holder
7. All the tipping.
8. Travel insurance (Essential Travel plan C with QBE)

**Exclusions:**
1. Personal Expenses

Information night to be held early Term 4. Further information to be announced through roll call. Any enquiries please see Ms Lee in Languages faculty.