

# CHINA

Featuring Japan, Vietnam & Cambodia



2017

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for details

#### More Value



Travelmarvel's premium China holidays represent truly exceptional value. Each and every journey provides a fascinating discovery of this vibrant and awe-inspiring country.

#### Comprehensive Inclusions



We've got you covered for all those holiday extras, including: all flights within Asia; airport and hotel transfers; gratuities; excursions; most meals; entrance fees; port charges; and much more.

#### Premium Accommodation



Our four-star hotels are hand-picked for their unique or central locations. They offer convenient access to local attractions and ensure you are fully immersed in the culture and natural beauty of each region you visit.

Enhance your journey with a range of

giving you chance to pursue your own

select experiences to choose from,

interests and delve deeper into the

culture of China (see pages 44-46).



While a wide range of incredible

experiences are included throughout

your trip, you will also enjoy ample

leisure time to explore more at your

Discover one of man's most incredible feats – the Great Wall of China. Front Cover image: see the giant pandas of China

own pace.

Travelmarvel's Insider Experiences

They are made up of special hotel

unique sightseeing experiences.

provide a genuine cultural immersion.

stays, unique culinary adventures and

#### Be Looked After By The Best



From your expert English-speaking Cruise and Tour directors to your welcoming crew and cheerful local guides, you can expect intuitive, friendly and professional service every step of the way.

#### **Authentic Flavours**

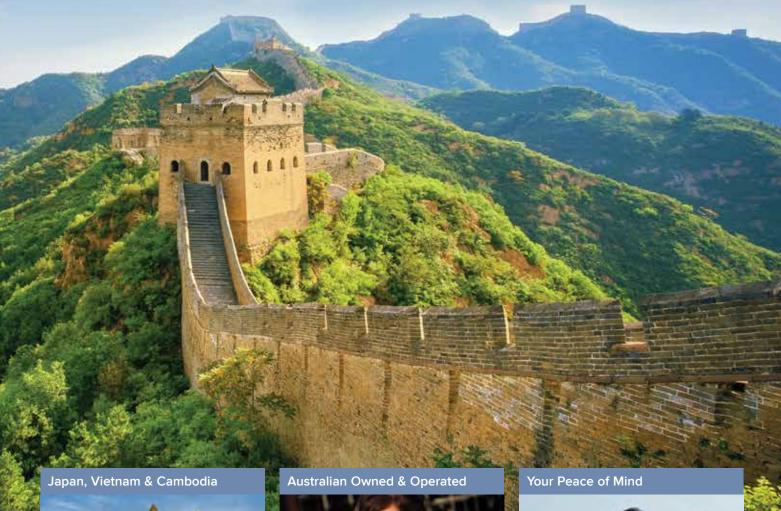


With so many special culinary experiences included throughout your holiday, you're certain to gain a tantalising insight into the diverse tastes and traditions of China's exotic local cuisine.

#### Yangtze River Cruising



Cruise aboard the MS Victoria Anna, MS Victoria Lianna or MS Victoria Selina on a four-night Yangtze River voyage through the Three Gorges region. Relax in comfort and enjoy an insight into life on the Yangtze.





Combine your China holiday with a visit to Japan or Vietnam & Cambodia. With all flights on tour included, and every detail taken care of, it's a seamless way to discover more of Asia.



An Australian owned and operated company, Travelmarvel offers the expertise and experience of Australia's leading travel organisation, the APT Group, the origins of which date back to 1927.



As Travelmarvel is part of the APT Group, you can be sure you'll be looked after throughout your holiday. What's more, you can relax knowing your holiday price is guaranteed once your deposit has been paid.





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Everything about our trip to China exceeded our expectations – it was unlike anything we'd experienced.

Mrs Gallagher, Queensland



# Explore more of China



#### 1 XI'AN

One of China's oldest cities, Xi'an is the gateway to the iconic Terracotta Army.



#### 2 CHONGQING

Discover the effort going into the conservation of China's iconic giant panda.

**CHINA** 



Chengdu



**Tibet** 



11) GUILIN >

12 HONG KONG



#### 3 HANOI

Experience a stunning fusion of old and new in Hanoi, the beautiful Vietnamese capital.



#### 4 HA LONG BAY

Beautiful and majestic, Ha Long Bay is one of Vietnam's greatest natural wonders.



#### 5 SIEM REAP

Discover the incredible temples of Angkor Archaeological Park, near Siem Reap.



#### 6 MEKONG RIVER

Spend eight days cruising the Mekong for a unique insight into rural living in Vietnam.



#### 7 HO CHI MINH CITY (SAIGON)

This vibrant city has a rich and incredibly interesting history.



China with Vietnam & Cambodia

China with Japan

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As Product Manager for Asia, I love discovering the different reasons our guests have for travelling. Some go for the excitement – to be

invigorated by the intriguing new sights, sounds and smells of a totally different culture. Some go to socialise and make new friends. Others go to simply relax – to step away from their hectic schedules and have their every need taken care of by the experts.

That's the wonderful thing about a Travelmarvel China tour; there's something for everyone. You'll be invigorated by iconic sights such as the glorious Great Wall of China and the spectacular cityscape of Hong Kong. You'll meet like-minded friends on tours run by an Australian-owned company. And you'll have the chance to unwind completely as you cruise down the Yangtze River amid the inspiring scenery of the Three Gorges region.

In 2017, we're offering an even wider variety of trips to suit every taste. In addition to our China with Cambodia & Vietnam combinations, we're thrilled to introduce two brand-new journeys. Across the Roof of the World explores the mountainous haven of Tibet, while our Kingdoms of Asia holiday reveals to you the many wonders of both China and Japan.

We can't wait to have you onboard so we can turn your holiday dreams into reality.

Stuart Lyall

Stuart Lyall
Travelmarvel Asia Product Manager

В КҮОТО

Immerse yourself in Kyoto's historic wonders, including the incredible Nijo Castle.



4 TOKYO
A place where history meets modernity,
Japan's capital is sure

to captivate.



"Travelmarvel is part of the APT Group, an industry-leading group of companies, proudly owned by my family. With origins that date back to 1927, an exciting range of

90th year celebrations are planned across the entire group in 2017, and we'd love for you to join us.

Thank you for considering Travelmarvel for your Asian journey.

We hope to welcome you soon."

Geoff McGeary OAM

Company Owner

## Travel with Confidence

#### **OUR EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE**



We offer our guests the experience and expertise of our group of diverse companies, including

Travelmarvel, APT, Captain's Choice and Botanica World Discoveries.

#### 98% CUSTOMER SATISFACTION

We're proud of the 98% satisfaction rating we receive from our travellers, and we're committed to maintaining it.

#### WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED

If you pay an upfront fee of \$75 per person, you can cancel your holiday prior to the due date for final payment and retain a credit for the deposit paid, less any third party cancellation fees. Held by Travelmarvel, this can be used for a new Travelmarvel booking made within three years of original cancellation.

Conditions apply, see pages 50-51.



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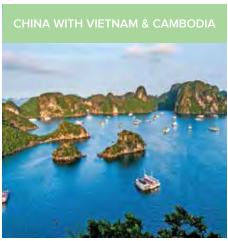


























# We Take Care of Everything

Looking after you isn't just our job – it's our passion

With Travelmarvel, you'll be taken care of from the moment you book, until you're back home. Because we know great service is more than just fulfilling your travel needs; it's ensuring you have the time of your life!

#### YOUR EXPERT TOUR DIRECTOR

Our Tour Directors are friendly and knowledgeable English-speaking locals who offer superior knowledge and service. Providing an insider's perspective, they enable you to experience every region you visit in safety and style, and help create holiday memories that wouldn't be possible if you were travelling on your own.

#### LOCAL GUIDES - LOCAL KNOWLEDGE

Our local experts will provide you with a unique insight into their home towns and show you spots not noted in guidebooks. They'll also offer advice as to how to spend your free time, directing you to the most interesting places to explore.

#### THE ASIA EXPERTS

Our team has travelled Asia extensively to create itineraries that showcase the best China, Vietnam, Cambodia and Japan have to offer. You'll travel along beautiful yet convenient routes that allow you to maximise your time in each destination. Extended stays in key locations, meanwhile, ensure that you have a more leisurely and in-depth local immersion in each place you visit.

#### **ASIA-BASED OPERATIONS STAFF**

Dedicated Travelmarvel staff are based throughout Asia. So you can be confident that if the unexpected ever occurs, you'll be taken care off with minimal disruption to your holiday.

# Included Sightseeing

Gain an extraordinary insight into China





Your Travelmarvel holiday covers the must-see sights but also offers you a window to the lesser-known wonders. With our specially selected Insider Experiences, you'll enjoy in-depth discoveries of the local culture, history and natural beauty of each destination.

#### SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS

Extensive included sightseeing ensures you see all the highlights and icons, as well as some hidden gems.

#### Terracotta Army, Xi'an

A jaw-dropping collection of terracotta soldiers, chariots and horses awaits in Xi'an. Unearthed by peasants in 1974, they have served as the afterlife guardians of Emperor Qin, the First Emperor of China, for thousands of years.

#### **Great Wall of China**

One of the New 7 Wonders of the World, the Great Wall is an unmissable destination on your China adventure. Snaking along for thousands of kilometres, it is a masterpiece of human endeavour.

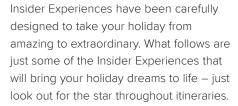
#### Forbidden City & Tiananmen Square

Off limits for hundreds of years, China's enchanting imperial palace is now on show for all to see. Nearby, Tiananmen Square is one the largest and most impressive city squares in the world.

#### **Explore the Three Gorges Region**

Sheer canyon cliffs, turquoise waters and lush, green paddy fields are just some of what makes the Three Gorges region the most picturesque in all of China.

#### INSIDER EXPERIENCES 🛣



See the warriors of the Terracotta Army from up close near Xi'an
 Cruise the stunning Li River in Guilin
 Immerse yourself in the energy of bustling Shanghai





## Tea Ceremony in Yu Garden, Shanghai ☆

Take part in a traditional tea ceremony at a teahouse within beautiful Yu Garden, set in the Old City of Shanghai. Sample a range of exquisite teas and learn about their cultural significance.

#### Reed Flute Cave, Guilin 📩

Visit the Reed Flute Cave in Guilin, where you'll gaze upon illuminated rock formations and Tang Dynasty inscriptions.

#### Pedicab Ride, Beijing 📩

Embark on a pedicab ride through the old hutongs (alleys) of Beijing. Along the way, stop to visit a local family in their home.

#### Victoria Peak, Hong Kong 💢

Ride the Peak Tram to the top of Victoria Peak for amazing views of Hong Kong.

#### Giant Pandas, Chengdu 📩

Visit the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding to learn about these enchanting animals and see them up close.

#### **ENHANCE YOUR JOURNEY**

Each holiday includes a great balance of sightseeing and leisure time, during which you're able to pursue your own unique interests. For your convenience, we've arranged a variety of optional experiences that appeal to a broad range of tastes. These include a kung fu show in Beijing, a Huangpu River cruise in Shanghai and a thrilling quad bike adventure in Siem Reap, among many others. See pages 44-46 for further details.

## Premium Accommodation

Relax in four-star comfort after each day of discovery





When you're not exploring, unwind in the ambient surroundings of some of Asia's finest hotels, hand-picked for their exceptional comfort, service, style and location.

#### JIANGUO HOTEL BEIJING

Discover a secret haven of serenity at the Jianguo Hotel Beijing, one of China's first premium hotels. Renowned for its beautiful garden setting, it provides a placid retreat in this bustling city. Located in the beating heart of Beijing, the hotel is conveniently located only a stone's throw from the vibrant Silk Market – Beijing's shopping mecca.

#### GOLDEN FLOWER HOTEL BY SHANGRI-LA, XI'AN

Be transported to a whole new world of elegance at the Golden Flower Hotel by Shangri-La in Xi'an. The magnificent architecture of this grand hotel is sure to amaze you. Inside, its vast lobby leads to luxurious suites with traditional Chinese accents, and the hotel is renowned for its exceptional service.

## REGAL KOWLOON HOTEL, HONG KONG

The preferred choice for discerning travellers, this iconic Hong Kong hotel is located just a short walk from the heart of Kowloon's thriving shopping district. The guest rooms and rooftop terrace provide a tranquil, relaxing respite from the energetic metropolis outside.

The majestic Hotel Equatorial Shanghai
 Relax at the luxurious Shinta Mani Resort in Siem Reap
 Style awaits in Xi'an at the Golden Flower Hotel by Shangri-La





#### **HOTEL EQUATORIAL SHANGHAI**

Centrally located in downtown Shanghai, Hotel Equatorial Shanghai provides modern and beautifully furnished accommodation. The service is intuitive, professional and friendly, and the hotel houses wonderful facilities including a world-class recreational centre complete with an open-air swimming pool, swim-up bar and gym as well as an elegant spa.

## TONG'AN GUESTHOUSE, WUZHEN ☆

Savour a unique experience with a stay at the traditional Tong'an Guesthouse, set in the charming water town of Wuzhen. Designed in a traditional style of the Ming and Qing dynastys, the comfortable rooms feature modern conveniences but it's having the cobbled streets of Wuzhen on your doorstep that will captivate.

## SHINTA MANI RESORT, SIEM REAP ☆

Resting in the leafy French Quarter between The Royal Gardens and the Old Market Area of Siem Reap in Cambodia, Shinta Mani Resort is renowned for its flourishing tropical gardens, stunning swimming pool and sublime service. Conveniently, it is also located a short drive from the iconic temples of Angkor Archaeological Park.

## **Authentic Flavours**

Indulge your tastebuds on their own culinary journey





Our meals are often the thing we remember most about a holiday, and great cuisine is an integral part of your Travelmarvel experience.

#### **DELIGHTFUL LOCAL CUISINE**

Throughout your journey, you'll dine on fresh produce and relish sumptuous flavours you never knew existed.

Travelmarvel provides a wide range of unique culinary experiences on land and by water that make your holiday extra special. During your free time, you will have the opportunity to sample the local fare and discover each region's own delicious specialities.

## SUPERB ONBOARD DINING DURING YOUR RIVER CRUISE

Freshly prepared by expert onboard chefs, all meals are included during our Yangtze and Mekong river cruises. Providing a delicious insight into the local cuisine, a comprehensive selection of local dishes await, while western favourites are also available. During your Yangtze cruise, selected alcoholic beverages are included at dinner. During your Mekong cruise, international wines, beer and local spirits are included at both lunch and dinner.

#### INSIDER EXPERIENCES A

We have hand-picked the following feature meals to enrich your journey.

#### Peking Duck in Beijing 📩

Prepared since the Imperial era, Peking Duck is considered one of China's national dishes. In Beijing, you'll be treated to a sumptuous Peking Duck banquet with all of the traditional accompaniments.

## Tang Dynasty Show & Dumplings in Xi'an ☆

The traditional flavours of a dumpling banquet provide a great complement to a Tang Dynasty show in Xi'an. Experience vibrant music, traditional dancing, colourful costumes and dazzling sets during a spectacular performance that tells the story of China's celebrated Tang Dynasty.

#### Street Food Stalls in Xi'an 💢

Interact with locals while you explore the exotic food and souvenir stalls of the famous Muslim Quarter, which boasts the most delicious street fare in Xi'an.

#### Tea Ceremony, Kyoto ☆

Indulge in a traditional Japanese tea ceremony during your stay in Kyoto, sampling exotic flavours in the lovely confines of a thatched farmhouse.

## Dine at KOTO in Hanoi & Ho Chi Minh City 났

More than ten years ago, Vietnamese-Australian Jimmy Pham opened a culinary training centre for disadvantaged youth in Hanoi, KOTO (which stands for 'Know One, Teach One'). Diners at the flagship restaurant, KOTO on Van Mieu in Hanoi, as well as the newly opened KOTO Kumho in Ho Chi Minh City, will be served up a glorious feast by its expertly trained chefs.

Enjoy a meal at KOTO on Van Mieu in Hanoi
 Western favourites are often available
 Taste authentic Chinese dumplings



# Cruising the Yangtze River

Experience China's incredible Three Gorges region





Embark on an voyage through the heart of China with Victoria Cruises. Enjoy Executive Lounge privileges, quality dining experiences, fine accommodation, a range of activities and several insightful shore excursions as your ship glides along the Yangtze River.

#### **VICTORIA CRUISES**

Victoria Cruises are considered the Yangtze cruising experts, and on board the MS Victoria Anna, MS Victoria Selina or MS Victoria Lianna, you'll enjoy an incredible cruising experience. Each of their modern, purpose-built river ships are designed to accommodate discerning guests in unparalleled style.

#### **Executive Lounge Privileges**

As a Travelmarvel guest, you'll enjoy VIP status aboard your Victoria Cruises ship.

We've arranged special Executive Lounge privileges, meaning you'll enjoy access to the elegant Executive Lounge around the clock. Here, you can enjoy an array of drinks and snacks as well as free Wi-Fi access (when signal is available).

#### **WORLD-CLASS SERVICE**

Victoria Cruises has an extremely high crew-to-passenger ratio. Their expert Tour Directors are international, multi-lingual professionals who take pride in providing world-class service, ensuring that every guest has a safe, enjoyable and memorable Yangtze River cruise.

#### SUPERB DINING

Enjoy sumptuous buffets of Chinese and western cuisine, prepared by a team of onboard chefs using fresh, high-quality ingredients. All meals, as well as select alcoholic beverages with dinner, are included. They are served in a convenient single-seating in the ship's Dynasty Dining Room, while an option to dine in the ship's à la carte restaurant is also available.

Take in the stunning landscapes during your Yangtze River cruise
 Expect quality onboard accommodation
 Each ship boats a variety of facilities and entertainment options





#### **ONBOARD ACCOMMODATION**

Your accommodation on board has been designed to make the most of the available space and to provide the best views. Expansive windows and private viewing balconies allow you to absorb wonderful riverside vistas. All cabins and suites boast a comfortable bed and a fully equipped ensuite as well as a sitting area – perfect for unwinding after a day off exploring by land.

#### STYLISH FACILITIES

The facilities on board Victoria Cruises ships are similar to a premium hotel. All feature two restaurants, including an à la carte option, as well as an outdoor deck area, lounges, bars, fitness rooms, beauty salons and spas. The ships are also equipped with Wi-Fi internet access, which is included as part of your Executive Lounge privileges.

#### **INSIGHTFUL SHORE EXCURSIONS**

Just when you think you've seen it all, you'll find even more enthralling wonders waiting for you to explore on shore.

#### Three Gorges Dam

Take in the amazing scale of the world's largest hydropower project.

#### Red Pagoda of Shibaozhai

Discover historic artefacts within an ancient 12-storey red pagoda built into a craggy, vertical peak.







#### Get more rewards with each new adventure.

From free home-to-airport transfers to savings on future trips, the Traveller Club is our way of thanking you for travelling with us. What's more, as Travelmarvel is a member of the APT family, any trips you have taken with APT count towards your membership level.

#### SILVER MEMBER

Become a Silver member when you book your first trip

- Welcome Home Voucher, valued at \$100, on completion of your trip
- Exclusive member communications be among the first to learn about our latest offers and new destinations
- · Invitations to special events
- · Access to our dedicated Traveller Club hotline
- Free travel kit including a backpack, ticket wallet, luggage tag and a personalised itinerary (pictured below)

#### **GOLD MEMBER**

Become a Gold member when you book your second trip

Receive all the benefits of Silver membership, plus choose one of the following:

- Free return home-to-airport transfers
- OR save \$100 per person off your booking

#### PLATINUM MEMBER

Become a Platinum member when you book your third trip

Receive all the benefits of Silver membership plus choose two of the following:

- · Free return home-to-airport transfers
- AND/OR save \$100 per person off your booking
- · AND/OR complimentary overnight accommodation before or after your journey - select hotels, see page 47







## Earlybird Offers

STRICTLY LIMITED OFFERS! HURRY - AVAILABLE UNTIL SOLD OUT!

#### FLY FREE\*

on all holidays that include a river cruise

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SAVE \$1,000\* PER COUPLE

on Across the Roof of the World

# THE OFFERS ABOVE ARE COMBINABLE WITH THE FOLLOWING TWO OFFERS:

### EARLY PAYMENT DISCOUNT OF \$800\* COUPLE

Book any China holiday and pay in full 10 months prior to departure and you will enjoy the following additional savings.

- Holidays of 18 days or more, save \$400 per person\*
  - Holidays up to 17 days, save \$200 per person\*

SAVE TO \$800 PER COUPLE

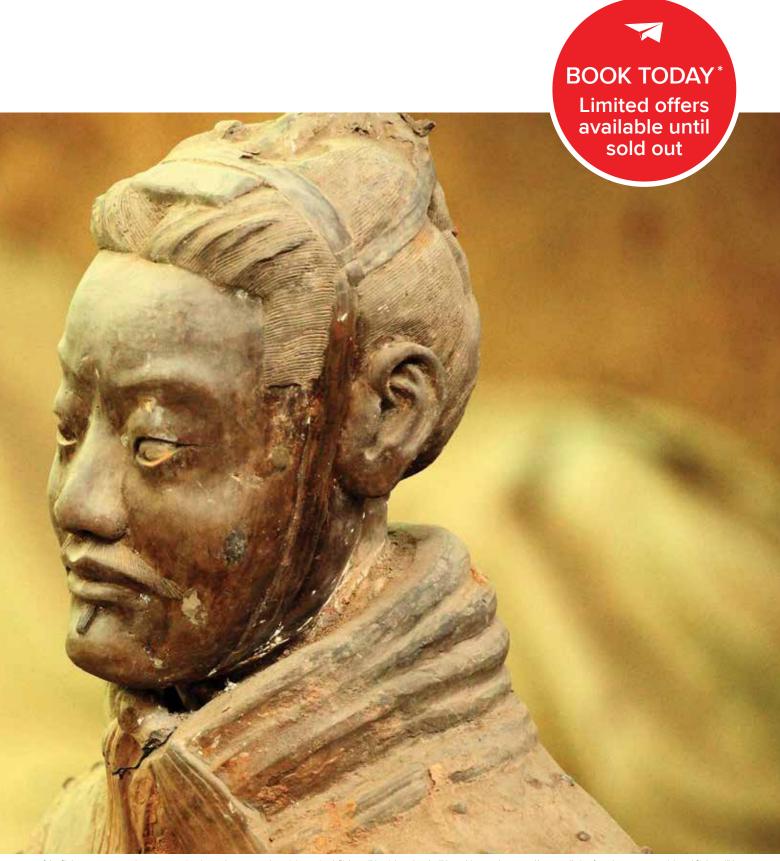
### TRAVEL WITH FRIENDS & SAVE \$600\* COUPLE

When six or more people book together on a China holiday, Travelmarvel offers the following savings.

- Holidays of 18 days or more, save \$300 per person\*
  - Holidays up to 17 days, save \$150 per person\*

SAVE TO \$600 PER COUPLE

\*Conditions apply. Information and offers are correct as of 17 June 2016, but may fluctuate due to changes in availability, surcharges, fees, taxes or exchange rates. All pricing and amounts are in Australian dollars. A limited number of offers are available until sold out. Offers are subject to availability, available on new bookings only be withdrawn any time. Offers cannot be combined with any other offer, unless otherwise stated. OFFER 1 – FLY FREE. Available when booking ny tour within this brochure that includes a 'angize or Mekong river cruise. Based on wholesale airfares in economy class (V-Class) with Cathay Pacific or an airline of Travelmarvel's choosing, and are subject to availability of the related airline booking class as specified in the conditions of each offer. Flights must be booked by Travelmarvel. Once sold out surcharges will apply. Airline schedules are subject to change without notice and Travelmarvel is not liable for any additional costs incurred due to airline schedule changes once booked. A non-refundable payment of \$1,000 per person is due within seven days of booking; a second non-refundable payment of \$1,000 per person is due within seven days of booking; a second non-refundable payment of \$1,000 per person is due within a seven days of booking; a second non-refundable payment of \$1,000 per person is due within a second payment may be required earlier. Final payment is due 100 days prior to departure. Your deposit is considered a guarantee



of the flight arrangements shown on your invoice and once your deposit is received, flights will be ticketed and will be subject to change and/or cancellation fees. In some cases ticketed flights will be non-refundable. Any changes made after first deposit is received will incur fees. Should you choose to depart Australia earlier than your scheduled tour departure, or make variations to airline routings, surcharges will apply. Includes taxes of up to \$200 per person from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide and Perth, OFFER 2 – SAVE \$1,000 PER COUPLE: Available when booking Across the Roof of the World (RJTCTG14), EARLY PAYMENT DISCOUNT: \$1,000 deposit must be paid within seven days of booking and paid in full 10 months prior to travel. Discount is combinable with one other offer (OFFER 1 or 2) as well as the Travel with Friends discount where applicable. TRAVEL WITH FRIENDS: Available when six or more friends book and are travelling together on the same cruise or tour. Discount is combinable with one other offer (OFFER 1 or 2) as well as the Early Payment Discount where applicable. Not combinable with any other group discount.



## China

The world's most populous country is also one its most fast-changing, making any visit an extraordinary adventure.

Discover an intoxicating world of ancient wonders, spectacular landscapes, and a culture steeped in time-honoured tradition.

#### **BEIJING'S GRAND WONDERS**

Built on a grand scale for more than 700 years, Beijing has evolved into one of the world's greatest cities.

The Forbidden City dates from the Ming Dynasty, and the nearby section of the Great Wall is a masterpiece of ancient infrastructure.

## CRUISING THE THREE GORGES REGION

Terraced paddy fields and sheer cliffs loom above as you cruise the Yangtze River through the Three Gorges region. Compare nature's beauty with mankind's brilliance at the Three Gorges Dam, the world's largest hydropower project.

## XI'AN - HOME OF THE ICONIC TERRACOTTA ARMY

The first life-sized warriors of the Terracotta Army were unearthed by farmers near Xi'an in 1974. Excavations have revealed around 8,000 earthenware warriors, horses, chariots, and even an entire mausoleum – created and buried to honour China's First Emperor, Qin Sin Huang, who ruled more than 2,000 years ago.

## OLD & NEW: WUZHEN & SHANGHAI

In the peaceful water town of Wuzhen, experience the China of old, where people enjoyed a more harmonious existence. Meanwhile, the mega-city of Shanghai, with its futuristic skylines, offers a peek into China's future.

## EXPLORE GUILIN & HONG KONG

Guilin has long been a drawcard for China's artists and musicians, with the picturesque Li River and its stunning landscapes of karst peaks that stud the countryside. Further south, Hong Kong is a vibrant and intriguing metropolis that boasts a stunning skyline and a harbour area that will take your breath away.

#### THE ROOF OF THE WORLD

Hidden away amid the towering Himalayas, Tibet is the highest inhabited region of any country. Prepare to glimpse long-haired yaks, red-robed monks and gold-domed temples on your journey through this mountainous haven.





## IMPERIAL CHINA

## Beijing to Shanghai

Beijing ■ Yangtze River
Three Gorges ■ Chongqing
Xi'an ■ Wuzhen ■ Shanghai



#### YOUR HOLIDAY PRICE INCLUDES

- Four nights on a premium Yangtze River cruise with Executive Lounge privileges
- √ Eight nights in premium accommodation
- √ All flights within China
- √ Services of a Cruise Director, Tour Director and local guides
- ✓ 26 meals 12 breakfasts (B), 7 lunches (L) and 7 dinners (D)
- √ Airport transfers, port charges and tipping

#### INSIDER EXPERIENCES 🏠

- Indulge in a sumptuous Peking Duck banquet at a local restaurant in Beijing
- Take a pedicab tour through Beijing's old hutongs (alleys) and stop to visit the home of a local family
- ☆ Indulge in a dumpling banquet and take in an enthralling Tang Dynasty show in Xi'an
- Wander amid the street food stalls in Xi'an's Muslim Quarter
- $\precsim$  Stay at Tong'an Guesthouse in the water town of Wuzhen
- Take part in a traditional tea ceremony in Shanghai's beautiful Yu Garden

#### Day 1. Arrive Beijing

On arrival in Beijing, be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel. This evening, enjoy a Welcome Reception. Three Nights: Beijing, Jianguo Hotel Beijing.

## Day 2. Beijing, Forbidden City

This morning's signtseeing begins with a visit to Tiananmen Square, one of the world's largest city squares. After taking in this vast open space, continue on to the

Forbidden City, former home to an ancient line of Chinese Emperors. As you explore, admire the superbly preserved traditional Chinese palatial-style architecture. Afterwards, enjoy time at leisure to explore. Tonight savour a delicious Peking Duck banquet at a local restaurant.

#### Day 3. Beijing, Great Wall of China

Today head for the Great Wall of China, which winds its way from the Yellow Sea into the Gobi Desert for over 6,000 kilometres. Here, absorb fantastic views during a cable car ride to the Mutianyu section, one of the best-preserved parts of the wall. Later, visit the Sacred Way of the Ming Dynasty Tombs and marvel at the statues representing Ming Dynasty Emperors. Stop at a jade factory for an insight into the 6,000 yearold craft of grinding and polishing jade. Then return to the city via Beijing National Stadium (the Bird's Nest). This evening, you may wish to attend a dramatic kung fu show (see page 44).

## Day 4. Beijing, Yichang, Embark Cruise

Today, enjoy a pedicab tour of Beijing's old hutongs (alleys) and stop along the way to visit the home of a local Chinese family. Then head to the airport for your included flight to Yichang. Transfer to your river ship and settle in for your four-night cruise along the Yangtze River.

Four Nights: a premium Victoria
Cruises river ship. BL

#### Day 5. Three Gorges Dam, Xiling Gorge

Relax today and take in the stunning scenery of the Yangtze River as you cruise through the Three Gorges region, considered by many to be China's most picturesque area. Disembark to tour the Three Gorges Dam, a hydroelectric dam that spans more than 2.3 kilometres across the Yangtze. Later, cruise through Xiling Gorge, the longest and deepest of the Three Gorges. BLD

#### Day 6. Three Lesser Gorges, Wu Gorge, Qutang Gorge

Early risers may like to begin the day with a tai chi class on board this morning. After breakfast, today's excursion takes you along the Daning River, home to the smaller but equally spectacular Three Lesser Gorges: Dragon Gate, Misty and Emerald Green. Following your exploration here, your cruise continues on through Wu Gorge, known for its sheer peaks and towering cliff faces. After lunch, pass between the



majestic Chijia and Baiyan mountains on the way to Qutang Gorge, the narrowest and most dramatic of the Three Gorges. BLD

#### Day 7. Shibaozhai

Arrive today at the base of a steep hill, into which is built Shibaozhai, a striking red pagoda. Disembark and explore the pagoda's 12 floors – each of which contains a range of unique artefacts. There may also be an option to visit the 'Ghost City' of Fengdu (own expense), where you'll see a number of shrines, temples and monasteries on Ming Mountain. This evening, enjoy a final dinner on board. BLD

#### Day 8. Chongqing,

Disembark Cruise, Xi'an Disembark for the final time this morning in Chongqing, a port established in the 11th century that played a key role in World War II. From here, head to the Chongqing Zoo, where more than 200 varieties of rare animals are on display, including the famous giant pandas. Later, board an included flight to Xi'an. Enjoy a quintessential Chinese experience tonight as you indulge in a dumpling banquet and take in a Tang Dynasty show.

Two Nights: Xi'an, Golden Flower Hotel by Shangri-La. BD

#### Day 9. Xi'an 📩

You'll travel via a clay factory, where Terracotta soldiers are still made today, on the way to the Museum of Qin Terracotta Warriors and Horses. Here, see the three excavation pits that contain countless sculptures of soldiers, chariots and horses that were buried around 210 BC. Tonight, head to Xi'an's Muslim Quarter where stalls are brimming with exotic treats and various souvenirs for sale.

#### Day 10. Xi'an, Shanghai, Wuzhen

After a morning at leisure, board your included flight to Shanghai. From here, travel to the ancient water town of Wuzhen, home to a network of beautiful canals and charming cobblestone streets. Tonight, check in to the Tong'an Guesthouse for your special overnight stay, before time at leisure this evening. Stay: Wuzhen, Tong'an Guesthouse.

#### Day 11. Wuzhen, Shanghai

Board a boat for a cruise along the peaceful canals of Wuzhen, pretty waterways that offer a glimpse into ancient times. Back in Shanghai, enjoy an evening at leisure.

Two Nights: Shanghai,
Hotel Equatorial Shanghai.

BL

#### Day 12. Shanghai 📩

This morning take part in a tea ceremony at a teahouse in Yu Garden. Then visit a silk factory on the return to your hotel. Tonight, enjoy a Farewell Dinner of dumplings at Din Tai Fung restaurant. Later, perhaps see an acrobatic show (see page 44). BD

#### Day 13. Depart Shanghai

Enjoy a day at leisure then transfer to the airport.

1. Visit the iconic Great Wall of China

#### 2017 Dates & Prices (A\$)

13 Days – Beijing to Shangl	13 Days – Beijing to Shanghai (CHTY13)		
Per person	Twin Share	Solo Traveller	
Mar. 23.	\$4,995	\$6,395	
Apr. 2, 20.	\$5,595	\$6,995	
June 27.	\$5,395	\$6,795	
July 11, 27.	\$5,395	\$6,795	
Aug. 10.	\$5,395	\$6,795	
Aug. 22.	\$5,595	\$6,995	
Sept. 5, 21.	\$5,595	\$6,995	
Oct. 1, 5, 19.	\$5,595	\$6,995	
Nov. 2.	\$4,995	\$6,395	

#### Cruise Upgrades – Yangtze River Cruise

Prices are based on a Superior Cabin on the Bridge Deck of your Victoria Cruises river ship. See page 48 for deck plans.

To upgrade, add per person (from):

Cat.	Suite Type	Twin Share	Solo Traveller
Exec.	Executive Suite	\$495	\$1,160
Other upgrade options are available please enquire for details.			

#### **Tour Notes**

All prices include transfers, port charges and tipping. See pages 50-51 for full terms and conditions.

## CITIES OF THE ORIENT

## Beijing to Hong Kong

Beijing ■ Yangtze River ■ Three Gorges Chongqing ■ Xi'an ■ Wuzhen Shanghai ■ Guilin ■ Hong Kong



#### YOUR HOLIDAY PRICE INCLUDES

- Four nights on a premium Yangtze River cruise with Executive Lounge privileges
- √ 12 nights in premium accommodation
- √ All flights within China
- √ Services of a Cruise Director, Tour Director and local guides
- √ 33 meals 16 breakfasts (B), 9 lunches (L) and 8 dinners (D)
- √ Airport transfers, port charges and tipping

#### INSIDER EXPERIENCES 🖈

- Indulge in a sumptuous Peking Duck banquet at a local restaurant in Beijing
- Take a pedicab tour through Beijing's old hutongs (alleys) and stop to visit the home of a local family
- Wander amid the street food stalls in Xi'an's Muslim Quarter
- Stay at Tong'an Guesthouse in the water town of Wuzhen
- Take part in a traditional tea ceremony in Shanghai's beautiful Yu Garden
- $\stackrel{\wedge}{\swarrow}$  Visit the amazing Reed Flute Cave near Guilin, home to fascinating rock formations and ancient inscriptions
- Ride the Peak Tram up Victoria Peak for incredible views of Hong Kong and its harbour

#### Day 1. Arrive Beijing

On arrival, be met at the airport and transfer to your hotel. Tonight, enjoy a Welcome Reception. Three Nights: Beijing, Jianguo Hotel Beijing.

#### Day 2. Beijing, Forbidden City

The morning, visit Tiananmen
Square and explore the vast
Forbidden City. Tonight, savour
a delicious Peking Duck banquet
at a local restaurant.
BI

#### Day 3. Beijing, Great Wall of China

Today, head for the Great Wall of China, and absorb fantastic views on a cable Car ride to the well-preserved Mutianyu section. Later, visit the Sacred Way of the Ming Dynasty Tombs, and stop at a jade factory before returning to the city via the Beijing National Stadium (the Bird's Nest).

#### Day 4. Beijing, Yichang, Embark Cruise

This morning, enjoy a pedicab tour of Beijing's charming old hutongs (alleys), and visit the home of a local Chinese family. Later, head to the airport for your included flight to Yichang. Transfer to your river ship to enjoy dinner on board.

Four Nights: a premium Victoria Cruises river ship.

BLD

#### Day 5. Three Gorges Dam, Xiling Gorge

Relax today and take in the stunning scenery of the Yangtze River as you cruise through the picturesque Three Gorges region. Disembark for a tour of the incredible Three Gorges Dam, the world's largest hydropower project. Later, cruise through Xiling Gorge, the longest and deepest of the Three Gorges.

#### Day 6. Three Lesser Gorges, Wu Gorge, Qutang Gorge

Travel to the Daning River, home to the smaller but equally spectacular Three Lesser Gorges. Continue on through Wu Gorge, known for its sheer peaks and cliff faces, then pass between the Chijia and Baiyan mountains on the way to Qutang Gorge, the narrowest and most dramatic of the magnificent Three Gorges.

#### Day 7. Shibaozhai

Arrive today at the base of a steep hill, into which is built Shibaozhai, a striking red pagoda. Disembark and explore the pagoda's 12 floors — each of which contains a range of unique artefacts. Later, there may also be an option to visit the 'Ghost City' of Fengdu (own expense). Back on board, enjoy a final onboard dinner with your fellow travellers.

Day 8. Chongqing,
Disembark Cruise, Xi'an

Disembark for the final time this morning in Chongqing and head to the Chongqing Zoo. Here, see the famous giant panda, a national symbol of China that is now critically endangered. Later, board your included flight to Xi'an. Tonight, indulge in a dumpling banquet and take in a Tang Dynasty show.

**Two Nights:** Xi'an, Golden Flower Hotel by Shangri-La.

#### Day 9. Xi'an 🥎

Travel via a clay factory to the Museum of Qin Terracotta Warriors and Horses. Here, see the three excavation pits that contain countless sculptures of soldiers, chariots and horses that were buried around 210 BC. Tonight, head to Xi'an's bustling Muslim Quarter to wander amid the street food stalls.

#### Day 10. Xi'an,

Shanghai, Wuzhen 🥎

Tong'an Guesthouse.

After a free morning, board your included flight to Shanghai. From here, travel to the ancient water town of Wuzhen, home to a charming network of canals.

Tonight, enjoy a stay at the enchanting Tong'an Guesthouse.

Stay: Wuzhen,

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Day 11. Wuzhen, Shanghai

Board a boat for a morning cruise along the canals of Wuzhen for a unique glimpse into ancient times. Afterwards, return to Shanghai. Two Nights: Shanghai, Hotel Equatorial Shanghai.

#### Day 12. Shanghai 📩

This morning, head for a teahouse within Yu Garden, set in the Old City of Shanghai. Here, take part in a tea ceremony, during which you'll sample a range of exquisite teas and learn about their cultural significance. Afterwards, visit a silk factory. Enjoy a special dinner of steamed dumplings at Din Tai Fung restaurant tonight.

#### Day 13. Shanghai, Guilin

Enjoy a free morning in Shanghai before your included flight to Guilin. On arrival, settle in to your hotel and enjoy a free evening. Two Nights: Guilin Bravo Hotel.

#### Day 14. Guilin, Li River, Yangshuo

Today you'll enjoy a cruise along the picturesque Li River, taking in the magnificent karst peaks. Stroll through the markets in Yangshuo before returning to Guilin.

Day 15. Guilin, Hong Kong Acturn to the Li River today for a visit to the Reed Flute Cave, home to many amazing rock formations as well as inscriptions dating back

to the Tang Dynasty. Afterwards, explore Fubo Hill Park then board your included flight to Hong Kong. Two Nights: Hong Kong, Regal Kowloon Hotel. BL

#### Day 16. Hong Kong 🏠

Today, take the Star Ferry to the CBD of Hong Kong and ride the Peak Tram up Victoria Peak, taking

#### in views of the bustling city below.

Afterwards, visit Man Mo Temple, SoHo and more. This evening, enjoy a Farewell Dinner at a local Chinese restaurant. BD

#### Day 17. Depart Hong Kong

Enjoy time at leisure before being transferred to the airport.

1. Set off on a cruise along the tranquil Li River near Guilin

### 2017 Dates & Prices (A\$)

17 Days – Beijing to Hong Kon	7 Days – Beijing to Hong Kong (CHTY17)		
Per person	Twin Share	Solo Traveller	
Mar. 23.	\$7,295	\$9,195	
Apr. 20.	\$7,895	\$9,795	
July 27.	\$7,695	\$9,595	
Aug. 22.	\$7,895	\$9,795	
Sept. 21.	\$7,895	\$9,795	
Oct. 1, 19.	\$7,895	\$9,795	

#### Cruise Upgrades – Yangtze River Cruise

Prices are based on a Superior Cabin on the Bridge Deck of your Victoria Cruises river ship. See page 48 for deck plans.

To upgrade, add per person (from):

Cat.	Suite Type	Twin Share	Solo Traveller
Exec.	Executive Suite	\$495	\$1,160
Other up	ograde options are available please enqu	ire for details.	

#### **Tour Notes**

All prices include transfers, port charges and tipping. See pages 50-51 for full terms and conditions.

# ACROSS THE ROOF OF THE WORLD

## Beijing to Chengdu

Beijing ■ Xi'an ■ Lhasa ■ Gyantse Shigatse ■ Chengdu



#### YOUR HOLIDAY PRICE INCLUDES

- √ 12 nights in quality accommodation
- $\checkmark$  One night on board the Sleeper Train to Tibet
- √ Flight from Lhasa to Chengdu
- √ Services of a Great Rail Journeys Tour Manager
- √ 32 meals 13 breakfasts (B), 10 lunches (L) and 9 dinners (D)
- √ Airport transfers and tipping

#### INSIDER EXPERIENCES 📩

- Indulge in a sumptuous Peking Duck banquet at a local restaurant in Beijing
- ☆ Travel by high-speed rail from Beijing to Xi'an
- Ride the highest railway on earth and cross the Tanggula Pass on the way to the Himalayan Kingdom of Tibet
- ☆ Explore Jokhang temple and Sera Monastery
- ☆ Visit Potala Palace, the Dalai Lama's former residence
- See glimpses of Mt Everest whilst touring in the Himalayas
- ☆ Visit the home of a Tibetan family in Shigatse
- Get up close to giant pandas at the Giant Panda Breeding Research Institute in Chengdu

#### Day 1. Arrive Beijing

On arrival into Beijing, you'll be met and transferred to your hotel. Later, enjoy a guided sightseeing tour that includes the impressive Temple of Heaven.

Three Nights: Beijing, Novotel Xinqiao Hotel.

#### Day 2. Beijing

First stop today is Tiananmen
Square, one of the world's largest
city squares and Beijing's political
heart. Following this, explore the
Forbidden City, a labyrinthine
complex of palaces from where the
Imperial dynasties of 24 Emperors
were once ruled.

BL

#### Day 3. Beijing,

Great Wall of China

Today pay a visit to one of the New 7 Wonders of the World, the magnificent Great Wall. After a thrilling ascent by cable car, enjoy the chance to walk along this architectural masterpiece, marvelling at the captivating mountain scenery and sweeping valleys below. Back in Beijing, see the Bird's Nest and Water Cube, both built for the 2008 Olympic Games. Tonight sample Beijing's signature dish, Peking Duck. BLD

#### Day 4. Xi'an 太

This morning take the high-speed rail service to Xi'an, the former imperial capital. Watch the

countryside zoom past your window on a journey of around 1,200 kilometres that takes under six hours. Upon arrival check in to your hotel, then enjoy free time to explore this remarkable city.

Two Nights: Xi'an,

Grand Mecure Hotel.

#### Day 5. Xi'an

Today you will come face to face with the incredible Terracotta Warriors. Built as a replica of the First Emperor of China's army, the life-sized statues were designed to protect him in death. Each figure has individual features and is arranged according to rank. The sheer scale of the site makes it difficult to believe they were only discovered in the 1970s. Later, return to Xi'an for a tour of its attractions such as the city walls and Grand Mosque.

#### Day 6. Sleeper Train to Tibet 六

Embark on an epic journey on the highest railway on earth, the heritage Sleeper Train to the Himalayan Kingdom of Tibet. Pass through a jumble of rice paddies snaking up the hillsides, and climbing through low-lying clouds. This pioneering railway line is a testament to the ingenuity of the engineers who built it and a spectacular feat of modern construction. As the sun goes



down amid the Himalayas, settle in for the night and be prepared to awake in spectacular surrounds.

Stay: Overnight Sleeper Train. BL

#### Day 7. Lhasa 🥎

Early this morning the train crosses the Tanggula Pass, home to long-haired yaks and frosted peaks. From here, begin the long and lazy descent into Lhasa, with the scenery becoming noticeably more rural and verdant. Enjoy a simple breakfast and lunch on the train, as it continues through Tibet's rolling pastoral scenery. In the late afternoon, arrive in Lhasa, Tibet's remote capital.

Three Nights: Lhasa, Four Points
By Sheraton Lhasa.
BD

#### Day 8. Lhasa 🥎

Today's wonderful exploration of Tibet begins after breakfast with a walk along the Barkhor Circuit, a fascinating rectangle of streets where pilgrims mingle with redrobed monks and street traders. Later visit the ancient Jokhang temple, possibly Tibet's most revered structure. Here, the aroma of incense fills the air in the warren of beautiful and ornate chapels. Enjoy time to wander around and admire the sculptures and tapestries before returning to your hotel in Lhasa. BLD

#### Day 9. Lhasa 🏠

This morning, visit the intriguing
Sera Monastery, a complex of
colleges and temples where
monks are trained in the teachings
of Tibetan Buddhism. You are free
to explore the buildings in and
around the cobblestoned
courtyards. Later, visit Potala
Palace, the former residence of
the Dalai Lama and a true wonder
of architecture. Containing more
than a thousand rooms, the
imposing white citadel somehow
manages to tower over one of the
world's highest cities.

BLD

#### Day 10. Gyantse

Leave Lhasa this morning and travel through the mountains on the way to Gyantse. Enjoy a stop at the glorious Yamdrok Lake, said to be populated by powerful deities. Lying several hundred metres below the road, this tranquil lake is a brilliant shade of turquoise, contrasting with the sandy inlets that surround it. Afterwards, continue to Gyantse. Stay: Gyantse Hotel. BLD

Day 11. Gyantse, Shigatse Today's touring includes a visit to the Palkor Chode Monastery. Housed within a ring of protective walls high up on the tree-lined hillside, the 15th-century complex is known for its gold-domed temple

filled with detailed murals and effigies of Buddha. From Palkor Chode, continue to Shigatse, with majestic views of Mt Everest appearing along the route.

Stay: Shigatse Hotel.

BLD

#### Day 12. Shigatse 📩

Explore some of Shigatse's grand landmarks on a sightseeing tour, visiting the Tashilhunpo Monastery, founded by the first Dalai Lama. Covering several acres, this huge monastery resembles a walled town, with ochre and whitewashed buildings dominated by gildedbronze temples. Before leaving Shigatse, visit a local family to learn more about Tibetan life.

This afternoon, return to the Tibetan city of Lhasa.

Stay: Lhasa, Four Points By Sheraton Lhasa.

BLD

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#### Day 13. Chengdu 🏠

Today, take a short included flight to the Chinese city of Chengdu.

Visit the Chengdu Research

Base of Giant Panda Breeding,
home to more than 100 of these endangered animals. See pandas at close range and learn how they are being protected.

Stay: Chengdu, Tibet Hotel. BLD

#### Day 14. Chengdu

This morning after breakfast, transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

1. See the magnificent long-haired yaks of Tibet

## 2017 Dates & Prices (A\$)

14 Days – Beijing to Cheng	1 Days – Beijing to Chengdu (RJTCTG14)		
Per Person	Twin Share	Solo Traveller	
May 25.	\$6,695	\$8,145	
June 16.	\$6,695	\$8,145	
Sept. 8.	\$6,995	\$8,745	
Oct. 6.	\$6,995	\$8,745	

#### **Tour Notes**

All prices include transfers, port charges and tipping. Itineraries and hotels may be subject to change. See pages 50-51 for full terms and conditions.

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# China with Vietnam & Cambodia

Enthralling encounters, enchanting landscapes and exotic flavours await

Combine your China journey with a holiday in Vietnam & Cambodia for an immersive Asian experience.

#### **VIBRANT VIETNAM**

Vietnam's attractions are legendary; its history is astonishing and the spirit of its people is inspiring. From the zippy capital of Hanoi to bustling Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon), Vietnam embraces the old and the new with flair. You'll be spoilt for choice in this country of contrasts as you cruise the calm emerald waters of Ha Long Bay, or take a lively rickshaw ride in Tan Chau – the surprises are endless.

#### **CAPTIVATING CAMBODIA**

Cambodia is a land of legendary beauty and many celebrated landmarks. Many of its icons, including those at the globally renowned Angkor Archaeological Park near Siem Reap, have survived the region's warravaged history. Cambodia's ancient culture and unique scenery hold a mesmerising appeal.

#### THE MAGNIFICENT MEKONG RIVER

The mighty Mekong River forms the arterial river through southern Vietnam and Cambodia. Floating villages line the tributaries of this lush region and swathes of paddy fields stretch into the horizon. Quaint riverside towns and sleepy rural villages lend the Mekong a unique charm.

#### THE RV LA MARGUERITE

Cruise the Mekong in style on the RV La Marguerite, a premium river ship designed with comfort and convenience in mind. Each suite features French Colonial-inspired decor and offers the feel of a private retreat. Wake up to glorious views of the everchanging river scenery each morning.





## ICONIC ASIA

## Beijing to Ho Chi Minh City

Beijing ■ Yangtze River ■ Three Gorges
Chongqing ■ Xi'an ■ Wuzhen ■ Shanghai
Hanoi ■ Ha Long Bay ■ Siem Reap
Angkor ■ Mekong River ■ Phnom Penh
Ho Chi Minh City



#### YOUR HOLIDAY PRICE INCLUDES

- Four nights on a premium Yangtze River cruise with Executive Lounge privileges
- √ Two-night cruise on Ha Long Bay
- $\checkmark$  Seven-night Mekong River cruise on the RV La Marguerite
- √ 15 nights in premium accommodation
- √ All flights within Asia
- ✓ Services of a Cruise Director, Tour Director and local guides
- $\checkmark$  64 meals 28 breakfasts (B), 17 lunches (L) and 19 dinners (D)
- √ Airport transfers, port charges and tipping

#### INSIDER EXPERIENCES 🏠

- ☆ Indulge in a sumptuous Peking Duck banquet in Beijing
- Take a pedicab tour through Beijing's old hutongs (alleys)
- ద Enjoy a dumpling banquet and Tang Dynasty show in Xi'an
- Wander amid the street food stalls in Xi'an's Muslim Quarter
- ☆ Stay at Tong'an Guesthouse in Wuzhen
- Take part in a tea ceremony in Shanghai's Yu Garden
- ☆ Dine at KOTO on Van Mieu in Hanoi and KOTO Kumho in Ho Chi Minh City
- ☆ Take a rickshaw ride in Hanoi
- Relax at Shinta Mani Resort in Siem Reap
- Support underprivileged children at Opportunities of Development through Art
- ☆ Enjoy an ox-cart ride in Kampong Tralach
- Receive a Buddhist blessing in Oudong

#### Day 1. Arrive Beijing

Arrive in Beijing and enjoy a Welcome Reception. Three Nights: Beijing, Jianguo Hotel Beijing.

## Day 2. Beijing, Forbidden City

Enjoy a half-day tour of Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City. Tonight, enjoy a traditional Peking Duck banquet. BD

#### Day 3. Beijing, Great Wall of China

Take a cable car ride at the Great Wall of China, then see the Sacred Way of the Ming Tombs. Later, visit a jade factory.

## Day 4. Beijing, Yichang, Embark Cruise

Today, tour Beijing's old alleys by pedicab and visit a local home. Then fly to Yichang and board your Yangtze River cruise. Four Nights: a premium Victoria Cruises river ship.

#### Day 5. Three Gorges Dam, Xiling Gorge

Tour the Three Gorges Dam, then cruise through Xiling Gorge. BLD

#### Day 6. Three Lesser Gorges, Wu Gorge, Qutang Gorge

Disembark for a visit to the Three Lesser Gorges, then cruise through Wu Gorge to Qutang Gorge. BLD

#### Day 7. Shibaozhai

Explore Shibaozhai, a pagoda built into the base of a steep hill. There may also be an option to visit Fengdu (own expense).

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#### Day 8. Chongqing,

Disembark Cruise, Xi'an \( \sqrt{} \)
Disembark in Chongqing. Visit the zoo then fly to Xi'an. Enjoy a Tang Dynasty show and banquet.
Two Nights: Xi'an, Hotel Golden Flower by Shangri-La La.

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#### Day 9. Xi'an 📩

Visit the Museum of Qin Terracotta Warriors and Horses today. Afterwards, head out to the city's vibrant Muslim Quarter.

#### Day 10. Xi'an, Shanghai, Wuzhen

Fly to Shanghai, then travel to the ancient water town of Wuzhen. Relax at Tong'an Guesthouse. Stay: Wuzhen,

Tong'an Guesthouse.

#### Day 11. Wuzhen, Shanghai

Enjoy a cruise along the canals of Wuzhen. Return to Shanghai and check in to your hotel.

Two Nights: Shanghai,
Hotel Equatorial Shanghai.

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#### Day 12. Shanghai 📩

Enjoy a traditional tea ceremony in beautiful Yu Garden. Then, visit a silk factory before dinner. BD



Day 13. Shanghai, Hanoi 
Fly to Hanoi today. This evening, dine at KOTO on Van Mieu.

Two Nights: Hanoi,

Mövenpick Hotel Hanoi.

BD

Day 14. Hanoi 📩

Tour Hanoi and take a rickshaw ride through the Old Quarter.

Day 15. Hanoi, Ha Long Bay A Embark on a two-night cruise on Ha Long Bay aboard a Bhaya Cruises premium junk.

Two Nights: Ha Long Bay, Bhaya Cruises premium junk. BLD

#### Day 16. Ha Long Bay

Enjoy a full day exploring the various wonders of the bay. BLD

#### Day 17. Ha Long Bay, Hanoi, Siem Reap ☆

Travel to Hanoi for your flight to Siem Reap. Savour an indulgent stay at the Shinta Mani Resort. Three Nights: Siem Reap, Shinta Mani Resort.

Day 18. Angkor, Siem Reap Discover Ta Prohm then support underprivileged children at Opportunities of Development through Art. Tonight, enjoy dinner and an Apsara performance.

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#### Day 19. Angkor, Siem Reap

Visit Angkor Thom and the temple Bayon. Later, admire the sunset at Angkor Wat.

#### Day 20. Siem Reap, Prek K'dam, Embark Cruise

Drive to Prek K'dam and board your premium river ship. Seven Nights:

RV La Marguerite. BLD

#### Day 21. Kampong Chhnang, Kampong Tralach, Oudong

Take a boat trip into the wetlands near Kampong Chhnang. Enjoy an ox-cart ride in Kampong Tralach. Travel to Oudong, to receive a Buddhist blessing. BLI

#### Day 22. Koh Chen, Phnom Penh

In Koh Chen, visit copper art workshops. Enjoy a Khmer folk performance on board tonight. BLD

#### Day 23. Phnom Penh

Today visit the Killing Fields and the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum. After lunch, tour the Royal Palace and the Silver Pagoda. BLD

#### Day 24. Border Crossing, Tan Chau

Cruise to the Vietnamese border. Later, arrive in Tan Chau. BLD

#### Day 25. Tan Chau, Sa Dec

Take a small-boat ride to an island.
Step ashore for a rickshaw tour
of Tan Chau and visit local
artisan workshops.
BLD

#### Day 26. Sa Dec, Cai Be

Tour Sa Dec, then travel to Cai Be to visit a rice paper manufacturer. Enjoy a Farewell Dinner. BLD

#### Day 27. My Tho, Disembark Cruise, Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon)

Disembark at My Tho Port and travel to Ho Chi Minh City. Visit the Cu Chi Tunnels.

Two Nights: Ho Chi Minh City, Grand Hotel Saigon or similar.

#### Day 28. Ho Chi Minh City

Enjoy free time in Ho Chi Minh City today. Savour a Farewell Dinner at KOTO Kumho this evening.

#### Day 29. Depart Ho Chi Minh City

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

1. Enjoy a seven-night cruise aboard the stylish RV La Marguerite

\$15,395

\$15,395

#### 2017 Dates & Prices (A\$)

# 29 Days – Beijing to Ho Chi Minh City (CHTYVH29) Per person Twin Share Solo Traveller Mar. 23. \$11,195 \$14,795 July 27. \$10,795 \$14,145

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#### Cruise Upgrades – Yangtze River Cruise

See fare box on page 27 for cruise upgrade pricing.

#### Cruise Upgrades - Mekong River Cruise

See fare box on page 39 for cruise upgrade pricing.

#### **Tour Notes**

Sept. 21.

Oct. 19.

Prices, hotels and itinerary are subject to change upon release of Travelmarvel's Vietnam & Cambodia 2017/18 brochure. All prices include transfers, port charges and tipping.

Mekong River embarkation day: during high water season from August to mid-December, guests will board the RV La Marguerite at Siem Reap and cruise along Tonle Sap. Other alterations to cruising and itinerary arrangements may occur. See pages 50-51 for full terms and conditions.

## **ICONIC ASIA**

## Hanoi to Shanghai

Hanoi ■ Ha Long Bay ■ Siem Reap
Angkor ■ Mekong River ■ Phnom Penh
Ho Chi Minh City ■ Beijing ■ Yangtze River
Three Gorges ■ Chongqing ■ Xi'an
Wuzhen ■ Shanghai



#### YOUR HOLIDAY PRICE INCLUDES

- √ Two-night cruise on Ha Long Bay
- ✓ Seven-night Mekong River cruise on the RV La Marguerite
- Four nights on a premium Yangtze River cruise with Executive Lounge privileges
- √ 15 nights in premium accommodation
- √ All flights within Asia
- √ Services of a Cruise Director, Tour Director and local guides
- ✓ 64 meals 28 breakfasts (B), 17 lunches (L) and 19 dinners (D)
- √ Airport transfers, port charges and tipping

#### INSIDER EXPERIENCES 🏠

- ☆ Dine at KOTO on Van Mieu in Hanoi and KOTO Kumho in Ho Chi Minh City
- ☆ Take a rickshaw ride in Hanoi
- Relax at Shinta Mani Resort in Siem Reap
- Support underprivileged children at Opportunities of Development through Art
- ☆ Enjoy an ox-cart ride in Kampong Tralach
- Receive a Buddhist blessing in Oudong
- Indulge in a sumptuous Peking Duck banquet in Beijing
- Take a pedicab tour through Beijing's old hutongs (alleys)
- ☆ Enjoy a dumpling banquet and Tang Dynasty show in Xi'an
- Wander amid the street food stalls in Xi'an's Muslim Quarter
- ☆ Stay at Tong'an Guesthouse in Wuzhen
- ☆ Take part in a tea ceremony in Shanghai's Yu Garden

#### Day 1. Arrive Hanoi

Arrive in Hanoi and transfer to your hotel where you'll enjoy a Welcome Reception. Tonight dine at KOTO on Van Mieu. Two Nights: Hanoi,

Mövenpick Hotel Hanoi.

#### Day 2. Hanoi 📩

Enjoy a tour of Hanoi. Then, take a rickshaw ride through the narrow, bustling streets of the city.

#### Day 3. Hanoi, Ha Long Bay 🂢

Embark on a two-night cruise on Ha Long Bay.

Two Nights: Ha Long Bay, Bhaya Cruises premium junk. BLD

#### Day 4. Ha Long Bay

Take in stunning views during a full day on Ha Long Bay. BLD

## Day 5. Ha Long Bay, Hanoi, Siem Reap

Travel to Hanoi and fly to Siem Reap. Stay at Shinta Mani Resort. Three Nights: Siem Reap, Shinta Mani Resort.

#### Day 6. Angkor, Siem Reap

Discover Ta Prohm then support underprivileged children at Opportunities of Development through Art. Tonight, enjoy dinner and an Apsara performance. BD

#### Day 7. Angkor, Siem Reap

Visit Angkor Thom and Bayon. Later, see sunset at Angkor Wat. B

#### Day 8. Siem Reap, Prek K'dam, Embark Cruise

Transfer to Prek K'dam to board your ship on the Mekong River. Seven Nights:

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RV La Marguerite.

#### Day 9. Kampong Chhnang, Kampong Tralach, Oudong

Take a boat trip into the wetlands near Kampong Chhnang. Enjoy an ox-cart ride in Kampong Tralach. Travel to Oudong, to receive a Buddhist blessing.

#### Day 10. Koh Chen, Phnom Penh

In Koh Chen, visit workshops that manufacture copper souvenirs. BLD

#### Day 11. Phnom Penh

Today visit the infamous Killing
Fields and the Tuol Sleng
Genocide Museum. After lunch,
tour the Royal Palace and the
Silver Pagoda.
BLD

#### Day 12. Border Crossing, Tan Chau

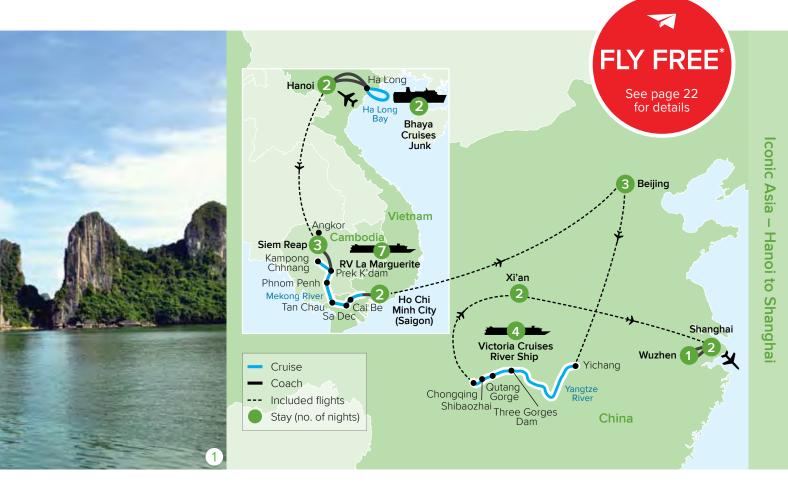
Cruise to the Vietnamese border. Later, arrive in the Vietnamese town of Tan Chau. BLD

#### Day 13. Tan Chau, Sa Dec

Take a small-boat ride then enjoy a rickshaw tour of Tan Chau and visit local artisan workshops. BLD

#### Day 14. Sa Dec, Cai Be

Tour Sa Dec. Then, in Cai Be, visit a rice paper manufacturer. BLD



#### Day 15. My Tho, Disembark Cruise, Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon)

Disembark at My Tho Port today and travel to Ho Chi Minh City. Visit the Cu Chi Tunnels.

Two Nights: Ho Chi Minh City, Grand Hotel Saigon or similar. BL

#### Day 16. Ho Chi Minh City Enjoy free time today before dinner at KOTO Kumho.

# Day 17. Ho Chi Minh City, Beijing

BD

Take your included flight to Beijing. Three Nights: Beijing, Jianguo Hotel Beijing.

#### Day 18. Beijing, Forbidden City

Enjoy a tour of Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City. Tonight, enjoy a Peking Duck banquet. BD

#### Day 19. Beijing, Great Wall of China

Experience the Great Wall of China, the Sacred Way of the Ming Tombs and a jade factory.

#### Day 20. Beijing, Yichang, Embark Cruise 🂢

Tour Beijing's old alleys by pedicab and visit a local home. Fly to Yichang and transfer to your ship. Four Nights: a premium Victoria Cruises river ship. BLD

#### Day 21. Three Gorges Dam, Xiling Gorge

Tour the Three Gorges Dam. BI D

#### Day 22. Three Lesser Gorges, Wu Gorge, Qutang Gorge

Cruise to Wu Gorge. Disembark for a visit to Daning River. BI D

#### Day 23. Shibaozhai

Explore Shibaozhai, a pagoda built into the base of a steep hill. There may also be an option to visit Fengdu (own expense). BLD

# Day 24. Chongqing,

Disembark Cruise, Xi'an

Disembark in Chongqing. Visit the zoo then fly to Xi'an. Tonight enjoy a dumpling banquet and take in a Tang Dynasty show.

Two Nights: Xi'an, Golden Flower Hotel by Shangri-La.

### Day 25. Xi'an 💢

Visit the Museum of Qin Terracotta Warriors and Horses today. Head out to the city's vibrant Muslim Quarter tonight. BL

#### Day 26. Xi'an,

### Shanghai, Wuzhen 💢

Fly to Shanghai and travel to the ancient water town of Wuzhen. Stay overnight at the enchanting Tong'an Guesthouse. Stay: Wuzhen,

Tong'an Guesthouse.

#### Day 27. Wuzhen, Shanghai

Board a boat for a morning cruise along the canals of Wuzhen offering a glimpse into ancient

times. Back in Shanghai, enjoy an evening at leisure.

Two Nights: Shanghai, Hotel Equatorial Shanghai. ΒI

### Day 28. Shanghai 🏠

Take part in a tea ceremony in Shanghai's Yu Garden.

Afterwards, visit a local silk factory before enjoying a Farewell Dinner this evening. BD

#### Day 29. Depart Shanghai

Board your flight home.

1. Take in the emerald waters of Ha Long Bay during a two-night cruise

В

# 2017 Dates & Prices (A\$)

29 Days – Hanoi to Shanghai (VTMHC29)				
Per person	Twin Share	Solo Traveller		
Mar. 7.	\$10,995	\$14,595		
Apr. 4.	\$11,695	\$15,295		
July 25.	\$10,995	\$14,595		
Sept. 5, 19.	\$11,395	\$14,845		
Oct. 17.	\$10,995	\$14,595		

#### Cruise Upgrades – Yangtze River Cruise

See fare box on page 27 for cruise upgrade pricing.

#### Cruise Upgrades – Mekong River Cruise

See fare box on page 39 for cruise upgrade pricing.

#### **Tour Notes**

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Mekong River embarkation day: during high water season from August to mid-December, guests will board the RV La Marguerite at Siem Reap and cruise along Tonle Sap. Other alterations to cruising and itinerary arrangements may occur. See pages 50-51 for full terms and conditions.

# CHINA, VIETNAM & CAMBODIA DISCOVERER

# Beijing to Siem Reap

Beijing 

Yangtze River 

Three Gorges
Chongqing 

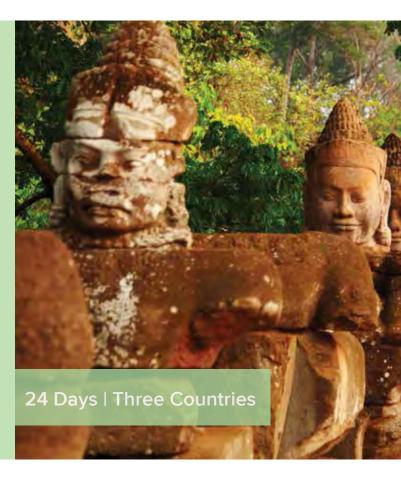
Xi'an 

Wuzhen
Shanghai 

Ho Chi Minh City
Mekong River 

Phnom Penh
Siem Reap 

Angkor



#### YOUR HOLIDAY PRICE INCLUDES

- Four nights on a premium Yangtze River cruise with Executive Lounge privileges
- ✓ Seven-night Mekong River cruise on the RV La Marguerite
- √ 12 nights in premium accommodation
- √ All flights within Asia
- $\checkmark$  Services of a Cruise Director, Tour Director and local guides
- ✓ 53 meals 23 breakfasts (B), 14 lunches (L) and 16 dinners (D)
- √ Airport transfers, port charges and tipping

# INSIDER EXPERIENCES 🔆

- Indulge in a sumptuous Peking Duck banquet at a local restaurant in Beijing
- Take a pedicab tour through Beijing's old hutongs (alleys) and stop to visit the home of a local family
- Indulge in a dumpling banquet and take in an enthralling Tang Dynasty show in Xi'an
- Wander amid the street food stalls in Xi'an's Muslim Quarter
- ☆ Stay at Tong'an Guesthouse in Wuzhen
- Take part in a tea ceremony in Shanghai's Yu Garden
- ☆ Dine at KOTO Kumho in Ho Chi Minh City
- Receive a Buddhist blessing in Oudong
- ☆ Enjoy an ox-cart ride in Kampong Tralach
- Relax at Shinta Mani Resort in Siem Reap
- Support underprivileged children at Opportunities of Development through Art

#### Day 1. Arrive Beijing

Arrive in Beijing and enjoy a Welcome Reception. Three Nights: Beijing, Jianguo Hotel Beijing.

# Day 2. Beijing, Forbidden City

Enjoy a half-day tour of Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City. Tonight, enjoy a traditional Peking Duck banquet. BD

#### Day 3. Beijing, Great Wall of China

Take a cable car ride at the Great Wall of China, then see the Sacred Way of the Ming Tombs. Later, visit a jade factory.

# Day 4. Beijing, Yichang, Embark Cruise

Today, tour Beijing's old alleys by pedicab and visit a local home. Then fly to Yichang and board your Yangtze River cruise.

Four Nights: a premium Victoria Cruises river ship. BL

#### Day 5. Three Gorges Dam, Xiling Gorge

Tour the Three Gorges Dam, then cruise through Xiling Gorge. BLD

#### Day 6. Three Lesser Gorges, Wu Gorge, Qutang Gorge

Disembark for a visit to the Three Lesser Gorges, then cruise through Wu Gorge to Qutang Gorge. BLD

#### Day 7. Shibaozhai

Explore Shibaozhai, a pagoda built into the base of a steep hill. There may also be an option to visit Fengdu (own expense).

# Day 8. Chongqing, Disembark Cruise, Xi'an

Disembark in Chongqing. Visit the zoo then fly to Xi'an. Enjoy a Tang Dynasty show and banquet.

Two Nights: Xi'an, Hotel Golden Flower by Shangri-La La.

#### Day 9. Xi'an 🔆

Visit the Museum of Qin Terracotta Warriors and Horses today. Afterwards, head out to the city's vibrant Muslim Quarter.

#### Day 10. Xi'an,

#### Shanghai, Wuzhen

Fly to Shanghai, then travel to the ancient water town of Wuzhen. Relax at Tong'an Guesthouse. Stay: Wuzhen, Tong'an Guesthouse.

#### Day 11. Wuzhen, Shanghai

Enjoy a cruise along the canals of Wuzhen. Return to Shanghai and check in to your hotel.

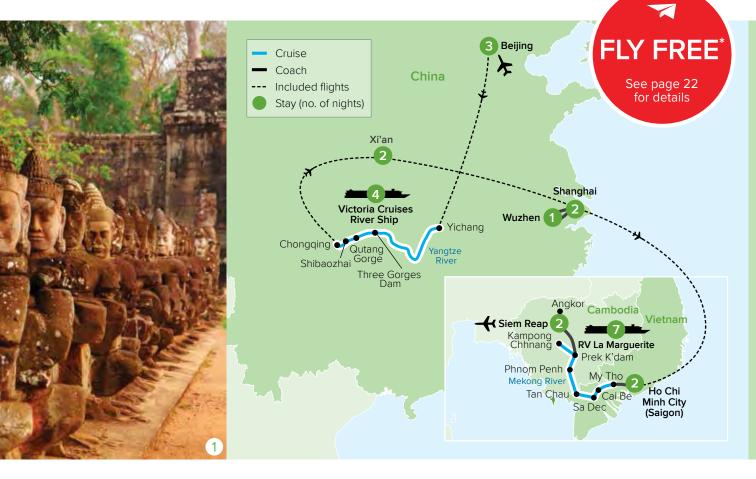
Two Nights: Shanghai,

Hotel Equatorial Shanghai.

BL

#### Day 12. Shanghai 六

Enjoy a traditional tea ceremony in beautiful Yu Garden. Then, visit a silk factory before dinner. BD



#### Day 13. Shanghai, Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon)

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Ho Chi Minh City in Vietnam. Savour a delicious dinner at KOTO Kumho this evening. Two Nights: Ho Chi Minh City, Grand Hotel Saigon or similar. BD

#### Day 14. Cu Chi Tunnels, Ho Chi Minh City

Visit the famous Cu Chi Tunnels. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure.

#### Day 15. Ho Chi Minh City, My Tho, Embark Cruise

Travel to the inland port of My Tho. Here, board your river ship for your Mekong River cruise.

#### Seven Nights:

RV La Marguerite. BLD

#### Day 16. Cai Be, Sa Dec

Stop at Cai Be to visit a rice paper manufacturer then travel to Sa Dec for a tour. Enjoy dinner back on board tonight. BLD

#### Day 17. Tan Chau, Border Crossing

Take a rickshaw tour of Tan Chau then cross the Cambodian border on the way to Phnom Penh. BLD

#### Day 18. Phnom Penh

Visit the Killing Fields and the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum. Later, tour the Royal Palace and Silver Pagoda. Enjoy a Khmer folk show on board tonight.

#### Day 19. Phnom Penh, Koh Chen

After time at leisure in Phnom Penh, cruise to Koh Chen. BLD

#### Day 20. Oudong, Kampong Tralach

Travel to Oudong to receive a
Buddhist blessing. Then, enjoy an
ox-cart ride from Kampong Tralach
back to your ship.
BLD

#### Day 21. Kampong Chhnang

Enjoy a boat ride into the wetlands near Kampong Chhnang. BLD

#### Day 22. Prek K'dam, Disembark Cruise, Angkor, Siem Reap

Disembark your river ship in Prek K'dam and travel to Siem Reap. Visit Angkor Wat. Then, after admiring the sunset at Angkor Wat, settle in to the indulgent Shinta Mani Resort.

Two Nights: Siem Reap, Shinta Mani Resort.

# Day 23. Angkor, Siem Reap

Journey to the temple of Ta Prohm, visit Angkor Thom and see the temple Bayon. Back in Siem Reap, support underprivileged children at Opportunities of Development through Art. Tonight, enjoy dinner and an Apsara performance. BD

#### Day 24. Depart Siem Reap

Transfer to the airport today for your onward flight.

1. Experience the unique Khmer temple, Bayon, in Angkor Archaeological Park

# 2017 Dates & Prices (A\$)

24 Days – Beijing to Siem R	eap (CHTYV24	+)
Per person	Twin Share	Solo Traveller
June 27.	\$8,695	\$11,345
July 11.	\$8,695	\$11,345
Aug. 22.	\$9,195	\$11,995
Sept. 5.	\$9,195	\$11,995

#### Cruise Upgrades – Yangtze River Cruise

See fare box on page 27 for cruise upgrade pricing.

#### Cruise Upgrades – Mekong River Cruise

Prices are based on a Cat. C Standard Suite (Porthole Window) on the RV La Marguerite. See page 49 for deck plans. To upgrade, add per person:

Cat.	Suite Type	Twin Share	Solo Traveller
В	Deluxe Balcony	\$695	\$1,045
Α	Deluxe Balcony	\$995	\$1,495
Sadec	Sadec Balcony	\$1,195	\$2,090
Indo.	Indochina Balcony	\$1,595	\$2,790

#### Tour Note:

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Mekong River disembarkation day: during high water season from August to mid-December, guests will cruise on the RV La Marguerite along Tonle Sap to Siem Reap. Other alterations to cruising and itinerary arrangements may occur. See pages 50-51 for full terms and conditions.



# China with Japan

Combine your China sojourn with a visit to Japan, for the ultimate eastern adventure

Marvel at the majesty of two ancient empires as you couple the enchantment of China with the magic of Japan.

#### **JOURNEY THROUGH JAPAN**

Japan is a land where ancient custom meets cuttingedge technology; where simple, wooden villages co-exist with modern, high-energy cities. Be inspired by the natural beauty of Japan's national parks, spellbound by its futuristic metropoles - and wowed by a quirky culture that's quite unlike any other.

#### THE WONDER OF JAPANESE RAIL

The trains of Japan are a drawcard all on their own. Glide past flowering cherry blossom and lush green hills into Japan's mountainous region aboard the relaxing Hida Train. Then, experience the blistering speed of the bullet train as you whiz between Kyoto and Osaka, your eyes drawn to the grandeur of the passing cityscapes.

#### **ICONS & SURPRISES**

Throughout your journey, you'll be met with some icons you know and plenty of surprises you don't. Mount Fuji, Matsumoto Castle and the touching Hiroshima Peace Memorial are all in the line-up. But with experiences like a tea ceremony in a thatched farmhouse and a trip to the hot springs at Owakudani on offer, Japan is sure to always keep you guessing.





# KINGDOMS OF ASIA: CHINA & JAPAN REVEALED

# Beijing to Osaka

Beijing ■ Yangtze River ■ Three Gorges
Chongqing ■ Xi'an ■ Wuzhen
Shanghai ■ Tokyo ■ Hakone
Matsumoto ■ Takayama ■ Hiroshima
Kyoto ■ Osaka



#### YOUR HOLIDAY PRICE INCLUDES

- Four nights on a premium Yangtze River cruise with Executive Lounge privileges
- √ 19 nights in quality accommodation
- ✓ All flights within Asia
- Services of a Cruise Director, Tour Director and local guides during your time in China, and a Great Rail Journeys Tour Manager during your time in Japan
- √ 40 meals 23 breakfasts (B), 7 lunches (L) and 10 dinners (D)
- $\checkmark$  Airport transfers, port charges and tipping

#### INSIDER EXPERIENCES 📩

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- Wander amid the street food stalls in Xi'an's Muslim Quarter
- ☆ Stay at Tong'an Guesthouse in Wuzhen
- ☆ Take part in a tea ceremony in Shanghai's Yu Garden
- ☆ Travel extensively by bullet train
- ☆ Visit Fuji-Hakone-Izu National Park, home to Mount Fuji
- ☆ Journey to the Japanese Alps aboard the Hida Train
- ☆ Cruise to the idyllic island of Mijajima
- Enjoy a Japanese tea ceremony in a thatched farmhouse
- ☆ Visit the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park

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#### Day 10. Xi'an,

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#### Relax at Tong'an Guesthouse.

Stay: Wuzhen,

Tong'an Guesthouse.

#### Day 11. Wuzhen, Shanghai

Enjoy a cruise along the canals of Wuzhen. Return to Shanghai and check in to your hotel. Two Nights: Shanghai, Hotel Equatorial Shanghai.

#### Day 12. Shanghai 🕎

Enjoy a traditional tea ceremony in beautiful Yu Garden. Then, visit a silk factory before dinner.





#### Day 13. Shanghai, Tokyo

Transfer to the airport for your included flight to Tokyo in Japan.

Two Nights: Tokyo,

Green Palace Hotel.

BD

#### Day 14. Tokyo

Your full-day tour of Tokyo includes visits to the ancient Asakusa Kannon Temple, the Ameyoko Market and Hamarikyu Garden, as well as the Edo Tokyo Museum. B

#### Day 15. Tokyo, Hakone

Journey to the resort town of Hakone by train, travelling in a 'Romance Car' (observation car). On arrival, take a tour of Hakone National Park. Enjoy a short cruise on tranquil Lake Ashi, then continue by coach to the hot springs at Owakudani.

Stay: Hakone Hotel.

#### Day 16. Mount Fuji, Matsumoto

This morning, travel by coach to Fuji-Hakone-Izu National Park.

Stop in at the Mount Fuji Visitor Centre to learn more about the iconic snow-capped peak. Later, visit Matsumoto Castle.

Stay: Matsumoto, Hotel Buena Vista.

#### Day 17. Matsumoto, Takayama

Travel by coach to Takayama, pausing en-route at the Folk Village, an open-air museum of rustic farm dwellings. Continue to Takayama to spend the night. Stay: Takayama, Hida Plaza Hotel.B

#### Day 18. Takayama, Hiroshima

After a tour of Takayama, enjoy a journey on the Hida Train to Nagoya. Then, continue onwards by bullet train to Hiroshima. After settling in, you are free to explore this once-devastated city.

Two Nights: Hiroshima,

Granvia Hotel.

B

Day 19. Miyajima, Hiroshima
Today, travel by tram and boat to
idyllic Miyajima. Here, enjoy a
walking tour, which includes a
visit to the beautiful Itsukushima
Shrine. Enjoy an afternoon at
leisure in Hiroshima.

Day 20. Hiroshima, Kyoto Visit the Hiroshima Peace
Memorial Park. At the A-Bomb
Dome Museum listen to a survivor of the nuclear destruction of 1945.
Later, ride a bullet train to Kyoto.

Three Nights: Kyoto, Miyoko Hotel.

#### Day 21. Kyoto 🏠

On a morning sightseeing tour, see the Nijo Castle, the Kinkakuji Temple (Golden Pavilion) and the Kyoto Imperial Palace. Later, enjoy a traditional tea ceremony in a Japanese thatched farmhouse.

#### Day 22. Kyoto, Nara

Visit Nara today, just a short train ride from Kyoto. Enjoy a tour taking in Nara Park, the Todai-ji Temple and its Great Buddha. Return to Kyoto where you will have time at leisure before a traditional evening meal at a local restaurant.

Day 23. Osaka Travel by bullet train to the futuristic city of Osaka, and enjoy

a tour which includes a visit to the Floating Garden Observatory in the Umeda Sky building, where you will enjoy views over Osaka. Enjoy a Farewell Dinner this evening. Stay: Osaka, Namba Oriental. BD

#### Day 24. Depart Osaka

After breakfast, transfer to Osaka airport for your onward flight.

1. Around March, cherry blossoms line the magnificent spectacle that is Mt Fuji

# 2017 Dates & Prices (A\$)

# 24 Days – Beijing to Osaka (CHTYJAG24) Per person Twin Share Solo Traveller Mar. 23. \$11,795 \$15,245 Sept. 21. \$12,395 \$15,845 Oct. 5. \$12,295 \$15,745

#### Cruise Upgrades – Yangtze River Cruise

Prices are based on a Superior Cabin on the Bridge Deck of your Victoria Cruises river ship. See page 48 for deck plans.

To upgrade, add per person (from):

Cat.	Suite Type	Twin Share	Solo Traveller	
Exec.	Executive Suite	\$495	\$1,160	
Other upgrade options are available please enquire for details.				

#### Tour Notes

All prices include transfers, port charges and tipping. Itineraries and hotels may be subject to change. See pages 50-51 for full terms and conditions.

# **Enhance Your Journey**

# Discover more with our select experiences

You can fulfil even more of your holiday dreams with a range of exciting optional experiences, available at the locations below.



#### **BEIJING**



#### KUNG FU SHOW

Enjoy a spectacular show of kung fu and dance, as you discover the story of a young boy on a journey to becoming a kung fu master.

Price per person: \$70

#### **SHANGHAI**



# SHANGHAI ACROBATIC TROUPE PERFORMANCE

Be amazed by the thrilling stunts and skills of China's best acrobats in this exciting show.

Price per person: \$80

#### **BEIJING**



#### SUMMER PALACE

Explore the gardens and pavilions of the World Heritage-listed Summer Palace, including a boat ride on man-made Kunming Lake.

Price per person: \$70

#### SHANGHAI



#### HUANGPU RIVER CRUISE

Relish views of the famous colonial-era buildings and bridges that span the Huangpu as you cruise Shanghai's main river.

Price per person: \$60

#### **WUZHEN**



#### SELECT DINING EXPERIENCE

Enjoy a meal starring Wuzhen's one of most famous dishes – Sanhuang Chicken (Three Yellow Chickens).

Price per person: \$25

#### **XI'AN**



#### CITY WALL BICYCLE RIDE

Ride a tandem bicycle around the top of the Xi'an City Wall, capturing the panoramic views of the city.

Price per person: \$70

#### **GUILIN**



#### **EVENING LAKE CRUISE**

Watch as the surrounding scenery lights up with colour as you cruise the waterways of Guilin at dusk.

Price per person: \$95

#### **HANOI**



#### BAT TRANG POTTERY VILLAGE

Take a guided walking tour of this famous 550 year-old pottery village. Visit home factories that use techniques that go back hundreds of years.

Price per person: \$50

#### **HANOI**



#### WALKING CITY TOUR

Be guided through the French quarter of Hanoi. From the Hanoi Opera House, stroll down embassy row and view French villas.

Price per person: \$50

#### **HANOI**



#### STREET FOOD TOUR

Wander a labyrinth of Hanoi's streets, sampling pork crepes, fruit drinks and Pho, and visit a cafe that is one of Hanoi's best-kept secrets.

Price per person: \$65

#### **HANOI**



#### WATER PUPPET SHOW

Discover the ancient art of water puppetry with this entertaining performance by the famed Hanoi Water Puppet Theatre.

Price per person: \$60

#### HO CHI MINH CITY



#### **CITY TOUR**

Explore the Ho Chi Minh City on a halfday tour, visiting Reunification Palace, Notre Dame Cathedral, The Post Office, Chinatown and Ben Than Market.

Price per person: \$50

#### HO CHI MINH CITY



#### SHOPPING TOUR

Get a dose of retail therapy on this tour, with the chance to buy clothing, jewellery, shoes, bamboo souvenirs and much more.

Price per person: \$50

#### HO CHI MINH CITY



#### JEEP MILITARY TOUR

Travel in a genuine restored US Jeep from the Vietnam War on a military city tour, which includes a visit to the War Remnants Museum.

Price per person: \$125

#### HO CHI MINH CITY



#### VIETNAMESE COOKING CLASS

Learn about cooking methods specific to Vietnam, try them out in this class and then take your new skills home to impress your friends.

Price per person: \$65

#### PHNOM PENH



#### APSARA ARTS TOUR

Witness the training of traditional performance art and take in the dance, dress and music that is so important to Cambodia.

Price per person: \$50

#### **PHNOM PENH**



#### PHNOM TAMAO PARK & WILDLIFE CENTRE

A must-see for animal lovers, Cambodia's biggest wildlife centre is home to some 1,000 animals.

Price per person: \$75

#### **PHNOM PENH**



#### PHNOM PENH BY TUK TUK

A tuk tuk takes you to sights including Independence Monument, Wat Phnom, a sacred Buddhist Pagoda and the Russian Market.

Price per person: \$40

#### SIEM REAP



#### CHAMPEY COOKING CLASS

Learn the secrets of preparing delicious Cambodian cuisine from a master chef at an acclaimed cooking school and sample your efforts.

Price per person: \$65

#### SIEM REAP



#### HORSE CART TOUR

Journey along rural roads and through the villages of Siem Reap by horse and cart. See farmers at work in the lush countryside.

Price per person: \$65

#### **SIEM REAP**



#### PHARE CIRCUS, A SEATS

Enhance your experience at this breathtaking show with reserved seating in the front three rows, and receive a gift from Phare Boutique.

Price per person: \$60

#### **SIEM REAP**



#### PHARE CIRCUS, B SEATS

From unreserved seating, witness incredible displays of acrobatics at this unique show which employs disadvantaged young people.

Price per person: \$40

#### **SIEM REAP**



#### QUAD BIKE ADVENTURE

Explore authentic Cambodia away from the tourist crowds as you journey through rice fields, forests and villages on a quad bike.

Price per person: \$75

#### **SIEM REAP**



#### SHOPPING TOUR

Be guided through a maze of shops and studios in search of the perfect bargain to remember your trip to Cambodia by.

Price per person: \$50

These experiences must be booked on tour and cannot be pre-booked. Prices are in A\$ and are indicative only. Subject to availability. Minimum and maximum numbers may apply. Please enquire for further details.

# Pre & Post Accommodation

Make the most of your dream holiday and extend your stay



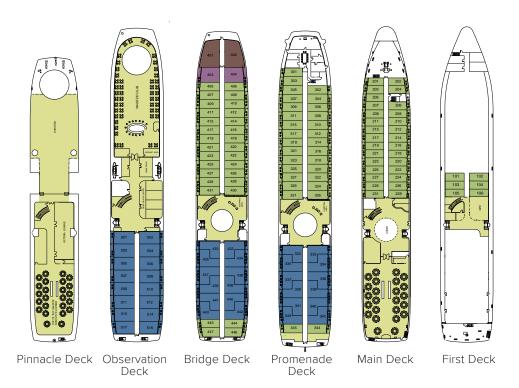
Price per person, including breakfast, from*	Twin Share	Solo Trav.	Price per person, including breakfast, from*	Twin Share	Solo Trav.
<b>BEIJING</b> Jianguo Hotel Beijing	\$135	\$270	HO CHI MINH CITY Grand Hotel Saigon	\$85	\$170
SHANGHAI Hotel Equatorial Shanghai	\$160	\$320	<b>SIEM REAP</b> Shinta Mani Resort	\$85	\$170
HONG KONG Regal Kowloon Hotel	\$155	\$310	<b>HANOI</b> Mövenpick Hotel Hanoi	\$80	\$160

1. Jianguo Hotel Beijing

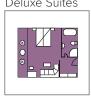
<sup>\*</sup>All pre/post accommodation availability and rates are indicative only and may vary depending on trade fairs and seasonal events. Prices are in A\$.

# **Deck Plans**

## Victoria Cruises – MS Victoria Anna





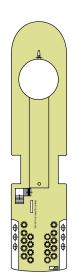




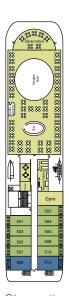


\*Twin beds only

# Victoria Cruises – MS Victoria Selina & MS Victoria Lianna



Pinnacle Deck



Observation Deck



Bridge Deck



Promenade Deck



Main Deck





**Executive Suites** 



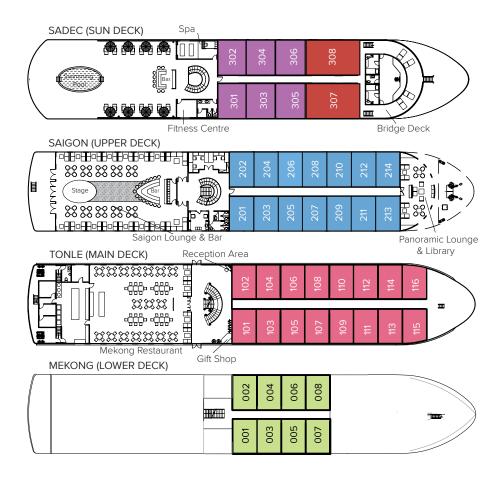
Superior Cabins



\*Twin beds only

# **Deck Plans**

## **RV** La Marguerite



#### **TECHNICAL DATA**

RV La Marguerite – Launched late 2009

Decks: 4Length: 71.6 m

• Cabins: 46

• Crew: 43

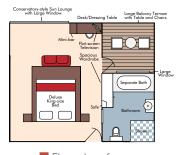
#### **SUITE CATEGORIES**

Indo.
Large Balcony Terrace & Conservatory-Style Sun Lounge
Sadec
Outside Balcony & Conservatory-Style Sun Lounge
Cat. A
Outside Balcony & Conservatory-Style Sun Lounge
Cat. B
Outside Balcony & Conservatory-Style Sun Lounge
Cat. C
Porthole Windows









Floor plan of an Indochina Balcony Suite Category: Indochina 443 feet²/ 41.6 metres²

# **General Information & Conditions**

The following terms and conditions ('booking conditions') form the basis of your contract with Australian Pacific Touring Pty Ltd ('Travelmarvel', 'we' or 'our'). Please read them carefully as they set out your and our respective rights and obligations. By asking us to confirm your booking, we are entitled to assume that you have had the opportunity to read, and have read these booking conditions: that you agree to them and that you agree to conditions; that you agree to them and that you agree to them applying to your holiday arrangements booked with us and which we agree to make, provide or perform (as applicable) as part of our contract with you. References in these booking conditions to your 'holiday package' are references to the tour or cruise package you have booked with Travelmarvel. References to "excursions" are references to short trips or tours included or available as part of your holiday package.

These booking conditions are governed by the law in force in Victoria, Australia.

#### BEFORE YOU BOOK

PRICES - DEPOSITS - DISCOUNTS - PAYMENTS

Your booking price will be set out in this brochure unless it is varied by advertising or a special offer, or is changed after the publication date for any reason, including without limitation; to cover changes in government taxes and charges, exchange rate variations, fuel surcharges, airline charges, a force majeure event or other material increases by suppliers. Once you pay your deposit your holiday package price is guaranteed (except for any changes resulting from a force majeure event - see below). A \$1,000 non-refundable security deposit per person, per holiday package is required within seven days of booking confirmation. Deposit requirements may vary when booking a special offer. Final payment of the balance of your holiday package price is due 100 days prior to departure unless stated in the terms of a special offer. Travelmarvel reserves the right to cancel any ticket or booking or to refuse to carry any passenger where payment has not been received by Travelmarvel within the specified time. All fares and charges are in Australian currency. Payment in full is required at time of booking for reservations made less than 100 days before departure from Australia. If Travelmarvel is unable to confirm your reservation, all monies will be refunded.

TRAVELLING WITH MINORS

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Children of less than 8 years of age are not recommended on tours and cruises. Minors under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult and share their accommodation with an adult.

#### INCLUDED IN HOLIDAY PACKAGE PRICE

All coach/cruise and hotel accommodation, airfares (as indicated in individual itinerary), gratuities for Travelmarvel staff (see below), airport transfers on the first and last day, sightseeing, specified excursions, meals, admissions, port charges, luggage service (one bag) and the services of a Cruise/Tour Director and driver as stated in your itinerary.

#### TRANSFERS

Airport transfers are included on the first and last day of the tour package or with pre and post accommodation booked by Travelmarvel. No refund will be given for unused transfers. Transfers cannot be re-routed to other pick-up points or destinations. Passengers who miss their pre-booked transfers must make their own way to/ from the ship/hotel at their own expense.

# NOT INCLUDED IN OUR CRUISE AND/OR TOUR PRICE

Airfares between Australia and Asia, airport taxes, laundry, passport and visa fees, meals or drinks other than those indicated in your itinerary, excess baggage, fuel surcharges,optional excursions and gratuities not specified in your itinerary.

#### **GRATUITIES**

Gratuities for all staff on the land portion of your tour and on board your river cruise are included and cannot be redeemed for a cash refund.

#### CHOOSING YOUR HOLIDAY

The holidays contained within this brochure are for 2017 departures. To maximise your enjoyment of your Travelmarvel holiday and to ensure that it lives up to your expectations, it is important to choose the right holiday package for you. Our brochures contain limited information, however, there is more information online at www.travelmarvel.com.au and our qualified staff are available to discuss your options.

#### PASSENGERS NEEDING SPECIAL ASSISTANCE

PASSENGERS NEEDING SPECIAL ASSISTANCE Travelmanvel welcomes passengers with disabilities or special needs provided they are accompanied by a companion capable of providing all necessary assistance. Any disability or medical condition requiring special attention must be reported to Travelmarvel at the time of booking. Travelmarvel will make reasonable efforts to accommodate the special needs of disabled passengers, but is not responsible for any denial of services by carriers, hotels, trains, restaurants or other independent suppliers, or for any additional associated expenses. Coaches and minibuses are not equipped with wheelchair ramps. River ships routinely dock midwith wheelchair ramps. River ships routinely dock mid-stream and require the use of tenders to access the shore. Not all river cruise ships or decks have elevators and some have multiple stairs to each level. Cabin doors and restrooms on river cruise ships are not wide enough

to allow access by standard wheelchairs. Wheelchairs and walkers cannot be carried on coaches, due to space limitations. For safety reasons, passengers in wheelchairs cannot be carried on ramps in ports where the river cruise ship is at anchor. Travelmarvel is unable to provide individual assistance to any passenger for walking diging disemberships or embarking cruise ships. walking, dining, disembarking or embarking cruise ships and/or coaches or other transportation vehicles or other personal needs.

#### **HEALTH & FITNESS**

A good level of fitness and health is required to participate on Travelmarvel's holiday packages. In some destinations there are extensive sightseeing excursions by foot which includes the climbing of stairs. Mobility is needed boarding or alighting coaches, river cruise ship and trains. We recommend a visit to the doctor before and trains. We recommend a visit to the doctor before travelling to overseas destinations and consult with them regarding any vaccinations which may be required. It is your responsibility to advise Travelmarvel of any pre-existing medical conditions that may affect the normal conduct of a holiday package and the enjoyment of other passengers. A Health, Fitness & Mobility Questionnaire will be provided and requested to be completed at the time of booking if you advise of any health, fitness or mobility issues Travelmarvel is not liable for any injury, illness, or loss of enjoyment which could have been reasonably prevented had we been made aware of a pre-existing condition and been provided an opportunity to review it. We will not be responsible for any costs associated with the cancellation penalties or any costs associated with the cancellation penalties or the return of passengers from a tour, and a refund for lost touring cannot be claimed.

VISA & PASSPORTS

All passengers must have a valid passport that is valid for at least six months after the holiday package return date. Passengers must consult with the appropriate consulates to ensure that they have any applicable visas for countries included in the holiday package prior to departure. Passengers are solely responsible for meeting necessary passport and visa entry requirements and paying all associated costs. Travelmarvel is not responsible for delays or missed portions of the holiday package resulting from incorrect travel documents or visas. At the time of printing, the following applies:

China - visa must be obtained prior to departure from Australia.

**Vietnam** – passengers entering Vietnam must obtain a visa prior to departure from Australia.

Cambodia – passengers entering Cambodia while cruising from Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon) to Siem Reap aboard are able to obtain a single entry visa for Cambodia on board the La Marguerite. All passengers must be carrying two passport size photographs to obtain this visa.

**Japan** – passengers entering Japan do not require a visa prior to departure. You will be issued with a Temporary Visitor Stamp on arrival that is valid for up to 90 days.

#### SHORE EXCURSIONS

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The timing of the shore excursions on all river cruise ship holiday packages may differ slightly for each package. The published times are a guide only and are subject to change without notice. It is impossible for large coaches to be used for some city sightseeing excursions and many towns and cities will be visited by way of walking tours and/or ox carts or similar. For river cruising, clients must be able to climb ramps to embark or disembark river cruise ships. Depending on river levels, these may have a number of steep steps.

#### PUBLIC HOLIDAYS & FESTIVALS

Virtually all countries have public holidays, religious or otherwise. The festivities may temporarily disrupt your holiday and some religious holidays may result in a reduction of facilities and entertainment.

#### SELECT EXPERIENCES

Minimum and maximum group numbers apply on some optional excursions. Prices are in AUD and are indicative only. Select Experiences can only be booked whilst on tour.

OTHER SPECIAL OFFERS
Special Deals and Special Offers other than those
advertised in the brochure may be promoted by
Travelmarvel after the brochure is released. These new special deals/offers do not apply to existing bookings unless otherwise stated.

#### **BOOKING AND PAYING FOR YOUR HOLIDAY**

AIRFARES
Air travel is arranged with independent airlines. Travelmarvel will arrange air travel as advertised in connection with your holiday package or as otherwise arranged with Travelmarvel. All airfares are subject to arranged with Travelmarvel. All airfares are subject to flight and booking class availability. Airfares will be booked and ticketed upon receipt of your deposit to avoid price or tax increases. Airport taxes vary for each departure point and routing of airline. Airline schedules are subject to change without notice. Once air tickets are issued, airline amendment and/or cancellation fees apply and, in some cases, are non-refundable. Name changes and voluntary date and schedule changes will incur fees. Travelmarvel is not liable for delays or disruptions of air travel. Once tickets are issued, Travelmarvel will have no other liability and will not be responsible for refunding the cost of any services booked in conjunction with the flights. Flying outside of the tour date range or re-routing your flight itinerary may incur additional surcharges.

#### FLIGHTS WITHIN ASIA

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Economy flights within Asia and airport taxes are
included in the price. All internal flights must be booked
by Travelmarvel. Airport taxes vary for each departure
point and routing of airline. Airline schedules are fares
are subject to change without notice. Flights will be
based on best fare available at the time of booking, however surcharges may apply. Once air tickets are issued, airline amendment and/or cancellation fees apply and in some cases are non-refundable. Deposits are considered as a guarantee of the invoiced flight arrangements and once deposit received, flights will be ticketed. Name changes and voluntary date and schedule changes will incur fees.

#### OUT OF DATE RANGE FLIGHTS

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If airlines have not published their schedule at the time that this brochure was printed, or at the time of booking, Travelmarvel will estimate the cost of airfares connected with your holiday package. When the airline releases flight inventory and airfares, Travelmarvel will confirm seats and pricing with you by sending you an updated invoice. Once flights have been confirmed by you and payment has been received, Travelmarvel will issue your ticket/e.

#### DEPOSIT CANCELLATION PEACE OF MIND

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Applicable when an upfront fee of \$75 per person is
paid with your deposit. The holiday package can be
cancelled prior to the final payment date and your
deposit will be retained as a Travelmarvel holding credit
to be used for future bookings. If Deposit Cancellation
Peace of Mind is claimed, monies held must be used on
a future cruise or tour and cannot be redeemed against a future cruise or four and callifut be redeemed against the original cruise or four departure date. Deposit held in credit will exclude fees imposed by third parties, including but not limited to air travel, rail travel and hotels. When booking airfares through Travelmarvel (including when taking advantage of a special offer that includes air travel), standard airline cancellation fees will be the proposed of the production. apply. In some cases, airfares will be non-refundable. In the event of cancellation, these fees will be deducted from the deposit paid, and therefore the credit being held. Travelmarvel Deposit Cancellation Peace of Mind applies to new bookings only and is only valid up until 100 days prior to travel. After three years, unused credit funds will incur the original cancellation conditions as per brochure. This does not replace travel insurance, which we strongly recommend at the time of booking.

#### TRAVEL INSURANCE

Travel Insurance is not included in your holiday package. For your protection we strongly recommend that you purchase comprehensive travel insurance that includes (without limitation) coverage for medical expenses, loss of luggage, cruise and land content and airfare charges that may occur due to cancellation, disruption, loss of deposit or strikes.

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TRAVEL INFORMATION & DOCUMENTS

After booking you will receive an invoice with all important information relevant to your holiday package. We strongly recommend that you check all the details carefully and read the included information. Please ensure that you check your flight timings carefully on your tickets, particularly early morning departures. Approximately 21 days before departure you will receive your eticket, together with your final itinerary. However, in the case of late bookings, changes or late payment, tickets may be emailed to you.

#### SPECIAL REQUESTS

Where a special request (eg. diet, room location, twin or double bedded room, a particular facility at a hotel, flight seat requests and/or particular meals) is an important factor in your choice of holiday, you must advise us when your booking is made. Travelmarvel will pass request on to the hotel, airline or other supplier but request on to the hotel, airline or other supplier but cannot guarantee that it will be accommodated. Travelmarvel will also pass on any dietary requests to the airline but we strongly recommend that you check directly with the airline once your tickets have been issued. The provision of any special request does not constitute a term of your contract with us. Confirmation that a special request has been noted or passed on to the supplier or the inclusion of the special request on your confirmation invoice or any other documentation is not confirmation that the request will be met. Unless and until specifically confirmed, all special requests are until specifically confirmed, all special requests are subject to availability.

#### CREDIT CARD SURCHARGES

If you pay Travelmarvel by credit card, a surcharge of between 1% and 3% will be added your tour price.

#### IF YOU NEED TO CHANGE OR CANCEL YOUR HOLIDAY

#### CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO YOUR HOLIDAY

CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO YOUR HOLIDAY If you want to change any part of your holiday arrangements after the invoice has been issued, we will do our best to make the change, but it may not be possible. Any request for changes must be made in writing by the person who made the original booking, or his or her travel agent. If it is possible to make the change, it will be subject to an administration charge and payment of any further costs incurred as a result of the change.

#### CANCELLATION POLICY

For all holiday packages in this brochure, the following cancellation fees apply:

Fee Per Person Days of Notice: 100 days or more Loss of deposit 99-61 days 60 days or less 50% of holiday package price 100% loss of holiday package price

All cancellations must be received in writing by Travelmarvel and are not effective until this notification has been received. If your holiday has commenced, has been received. If your holiday has commenced, 100% of the full holiday package price is charged. There is no refund for unused services or if portions of the holiday package are missed. Additional cancellation fees may also be charged in respect to accommodation reserved outside the holiday package dates. These cancellation fees are in addition to any fees that may be levied by Travelmarvel and your travel agent (if any). You acknowledge that the amounts estimated under the Cancellation Policy are reasonable and represent a genuine pre-estimate of Travelmarvel's loss. If you request changes after Travelmarvel has loss. If you request changes after Travelmarvel has issued your documents, Travelmarvel may charge you a fee of \$70 per person in addition to any applicable cancellation fees.

CANCELLATION OF TICKETED AIRFARES A Travelmarvel cancellation fee of \$50 per person applies for ticketed airfares, in addition to any airline cancellation fees that are applicable.

#### CHANGES TO TICKETED AIRFARES

If you wish to amend the date or routing on your ticketed air booking, a Travelmarvel amendment fee of \$30 per person for the first change and \$85 for any subsequent changes will be charged in addition to airline change fees and additional taxes that are applicable. If you wish to amend an already issued Singapore Stopover package, a \$30 per person Travelmarvel change fee will apply along with any applicable airline fees. If for any apply along with any applicable airline fees. If, for any reason, a name change to a ticketed Airfare is required, a \$125 per person name change fee will apply for every change in addition to any applicable airline fees.

#### IF WE NEED TO CHANGE OR CANCEL YOUR HOLIDAY

BROCHURE ACCURACY
Travelmarvel has endeavoured to ensure that the information given in this brochure about accommodation, tineraries etc., is correct to the best of its knowledge at the time of going to print. However, advertised descriptions and facilities and prices may change after publication. We recommend that you confirm the details of your chosen holiday package at the time of booking. Holiday package or excursion itineraries may change or be different from those described in the brochure as a or your chosen holiday package at the time of booking. Holiday package or excursion itineraries may change or be different from those described in the brochure as a result of local conditions, weather conditions and annual events. Travelmarvel will endeavour to notify you of any significant changes prior to your departure. Travelmarvel does not advise the flight timings in the brochure nor do we provide this on your documentation; only the 'non-included' flights will appear on the itinerary. The flight timings shown in our brochure, on our website and detailed on your confirmation invoice are for guidance only and are subject to alteration and confirmation. Flight timings are set by airlines and affected by events outside our control. Scheduled and charter flight timings, and days of operation are also subject to change. Travelmarvel will advise you of any significant changes as soon as it is informed by the airline. Minor timing changes will be shown on your flight timings or aircraft type (if advised to Travelmarvel) will not entitle you to cancel or change to other arrangements without paying any applicable cancellation fees except where specified in these booking conditions.

#### BEFORE YOUR DEPARTURE

Travelmarvel endeavours to provide you with all the services confirmed to you at the time of your booking. However, we plan arrangements a long time in advance of your departure date using independent suppliers such as airlines, hotels, etc., over whom we have no direct control. On occasions changes do have to be made, and control. On occasions changes do have to be made, and Travelmarvel reserves the right to cancel or amend holiday packages/excursions accordingly. All tours require a minimum number of bookings in order to be financially viable and to have a pleasant group atmosphere. In the event that adequate numbers cannot be achieved, it may be necessary to cancel a scheduled departure and offer the nearest possible alternative date (or a refund of the monies paid for arrangements made by Travelmarvel).

#### FORCE MAJEURE

Force Majeure means the occurrence of an event that is beyond Travelmarvel's reasonable control and which could not have been reasonably prevented by Travelmarvel, which includes, but is not limited to: (a) war, armed conflict, criminal damage, riot, civil strife, industrial dispute, terrorist activity or the threat of any such acts; (b) natural disaster (including but not limited to flooding, fire, earthquake, landslide), adverse weather conditions, high or low water levels; (c) nuclear or other industrial accident causing environmental pollution or contamination; or (d) change in law, meaning, enactment, amendment (including repeal) in the law or administration of any law in Australia or any jurisdiction or territory relevant to the booking contract, which includes changes in statute, regulation, determination, by-law, declaration, licence and the common law as applicable from time to time. Termination of Booking Contract or Change of Travelmarvel, in its reasonable opinion, considers that any Force Majeure event prevents Travelmarvel (whether directly or through its employees, contractors, subcontractors and agents) from lawfully or safely

providing any products or services subject of the booking contract with you, Travelmarvel may immediately by written notice: (a) terminate the booking contract (in whole or in part); or (b) change your travel arrangements as reasonably practicable to ensure your safety and invoice you for any additional costs.

#### LIMITATION OF LIABILITY IN THE EVENT OF FORCE MAJEURE

FORCE MAJEURE In the event that Travelmarvel cancels or changes your travel arrangements in any way due to a Force Majeure event, Travelmarvel will not be liable to you in contract, tort, statute or restitution for any loss (including, but not limited to, loss of deposit or purchase price and loss of enjoyment), damage, costs, charges, expenses or injury resulting from or in connection with (whether directly or indirectly): (a) the cancellation or change to your travel arrangements; or (b) the Force Majeure event. Travelmarvel is not liable to refund any part of the arrangements; or (b) the Force Majeure event. Travelmarvel is not liable to refund any part of the deposit or purchase price paid by you if Travelmarvel subsequently changes or cancels your travel arrangements in connection with a Force Majeure event. Force Majeure events are unpredictable and beyond Travelmarvel's control. It is your responsibility to purchase travel insurance to adequately protect yourself against such risks.

#### ON HOLIDAY

#### NOISE & VIBRATION

Travelmarvel takes reasonable steps to minimise noise and vibrations on its river cruise ships. You acknowledge and accept that some noise and vibration may be experienced on vessels and that Travelmarvel is not liable to you for any such noise or vibration.

#### DOCKING POSITION

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During port stops river cruise ships may dock side by side, obstructing views and requiring you to pass through other ships to embark or disembark. The RV La Marguerite will moor overnight midstream during most cruising times, rather than dock at a port.

#### TRAVELMARVEL TOUR DIRECTORS

A dedicated Travelmarvel Tour Director will only be available on tours with 10 or more passengers.

#### PERSONAL BELONGINGS & LOST ITEMS

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For security reasons valuables should be kept to a minimum and packed in your hand luggage along with your medicines, camera, film, electrical or battery-operated appliances, as well as basic essentials such as a change of clothing and toiletries. It is your responsibility to look after your property at all times and you must ensure you are adequately covered by comprehensive travel insurance in the event of any loss.

# DISRUPTION TO CRUISING AND ITINERARY ARRANGEMENTS

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Under normal operating conditions itineraries will be delivered as per the brochure. However, sometimes for reasons beyond our control, it may be necessary to make alterations to your itinerary. We recommend you take out comprehensive travel insurance that includes coverage of events such as these, as we will not be coverage of events such as these, as we will not be liable for any direct or indirect costs incurred as a result of such events or other factors beyond our control happening. Additionally, you are not entitled to any refund for any alterations to your litinerary that are caused or contributed to by any flood or water level events or other such events which are beyond our control. If there is a high water level problem it may be necessary to operate part of the itinerary by coach. A revised cruising itinerary and alternative sightseeing may be required. In the case of high or low water levels, an alternative itinerary will be arranged. Published itineraries are indicative only and subject to alterations and delays at short notice, though every effort will be made the ensure that the published itinerary is followed as closely as possible. The ship's manager and captain are jointly responsible for passengers' comfort and safety, therefore, passenger's must accept their decisions and instructions.

#### ON RETURN FROM YOUR HOLIDAY

#### DATA PROTECTION POLICY

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Any personal information (including sensitive information and health information) that Travelmarvel obtains and retains from you or about you is necessary for our business purposes. Our Privacy Policy details why we collect this information, who we may disclose it to (including overseas recipients), and the main consequences if we do not collect it. Our Privacy Policy also contains information about how you may seek access to, or correction of, the personal information held about you, and our complaint resolution procedures. Our Privacy Policy is available at www.travelmarvel.com.au/ privacy or by request to us.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

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In Our holiday packages include the services of independent providers, such as hoteliers, airlines, cruise companies and other operators, who are not agents, servants or employees of Travelmarvel. Although we servants or employees of Travelmarvel. Although we take care in selecting the independent service providers and the optional excursions conducted by some independent service providers, Travelmarvel is not responsible for the conduct of the independent service providers, their servants and agents or for any ramifications of that conduct. Optional excursions may, depending on your holiday package, include activities such as climbing, exploring, bike riding, swimming and snorkelling. You accept and assume the risk involved with these activities.

- 2. If, in the opinion of any representative of Travelmarvel, your mental or physical condition, or general behaviour is such as to affect your own health and safety, render you incapable to care for yourself, cause you to became a hazard to yourself or other passengers or result in you becoming objectionable to other passengers or staff, you will not be permitted to embark or continue on the whole or any part of the holiday package. Travelmarvel is not liable to you for any costs associated with such decision and you will not be refunded for any part of the holiday package. Harassment of any kind toward crew, contracted suppliers or other guests may result in immediate removal from the tour or cruise.
- 3. Travelmarvel accepts no responsibility for any death, injury, illness, loss (including loss of enjoyment), damage, detention, delay (including mechanical breakdown) beyond its control.
- 4. Any term, condition or warranty express or implied by statute or otherwise in respect to the holiday packages contained in this brochure are excluded to the full extent permitted by law. Nothing in these booking conditions excludes, restricts or modifies the application of the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (Cth) as amended, consolidated, supplemented or replaced.
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  5. To the full extent permitted by law, Travelmarvel's liability arising under or in connection with these booking conditions: (a) is limited to the re-supply of the products or services or the payment of the cost of re-supply of the products or services to you; and (b) excludes liability for any indirect or consequential losses suffered by you or any third party, howsoever caused, including but not limited to pure economic loss or any special extraordinary or pupility admarge to you or any special, extraordinary or punitive damage to you or any other party.
- 6. Your travel agent will forward deposits and other payments to us on your behalf, but your travel agent is not our agent for the purpose of receipt of monies. Receipt of deposits and subsequent payments by the travel agent does not constitute receipt of those monies by us and the travel agent has no authority expressed or implied to receive monies on our behalf. There is no liability on the part of Travelmarvel in respect to any monies paid to your travel agent unless and until Travelmarvel notifies you (by way of a booking confirmation advice or payment receipt advice) that monies have been received by Travelmarvel.

  Travelmarvel reserves the right to cancel any ticket or booking or refuse to carry any passenger where payment has not been received by Travelmarvel within the specified time.

#### RESPONSIBLE SERVICE OF ALCOHOL

Our staff are trained in the responsible service of alcohol and are obligated by law to refuse service to any guest who, in their reasonable opinion, appears to be, or is intoxicated, or behaves in an aggressive or offensive manner.

#### MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

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Travelmarvel does not employ medical staff on our tours or ships. If you require medical attention, local medical services can be contacted immediately. You are responsible for all charges that result from a visiting a medical facility, or for a medical practitioner visiting you. Travelmarvel is not responsible for the type or quality of the medical services you may receive. the medical services you may receive

#### TRAVELMARVEL CLUB

Details including the full range of benefits and conditions may be viewed on page 21, or on our website at www.travelmarvel.com.au/club.

#### SMOKING

For other passengers' comfort there is no smoking on coaches or river cruise ships, except in designated

#### SERVICE ENQUIRIES

If a problem occurs during your holiday you should, in your own interests, advise your Tour/Cruise Director so that steps can be taken to resolve the matter. If you remain dissatisfied, any complaint must be made in writing to Travelmarvel within 30 days.

#### LUGGAGE LIMITS

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Each passenger is entitled to take one piece of luggage that does not exceed 160 cm (63 inches), or weigh more than 20 kg (44 pounds). Dimensions for checked baggage are calculated by adding together the width, height and depth of the piece of baggage. An extra charge will be imposed to cover porterage handling of any additional luggage. Your Tour/Cruise Director will advise you of the exact additional charge. You will be required to pack-down to one small carry-on bag for your Ha Long Bay cruise. All luggage is at "owner's risk".

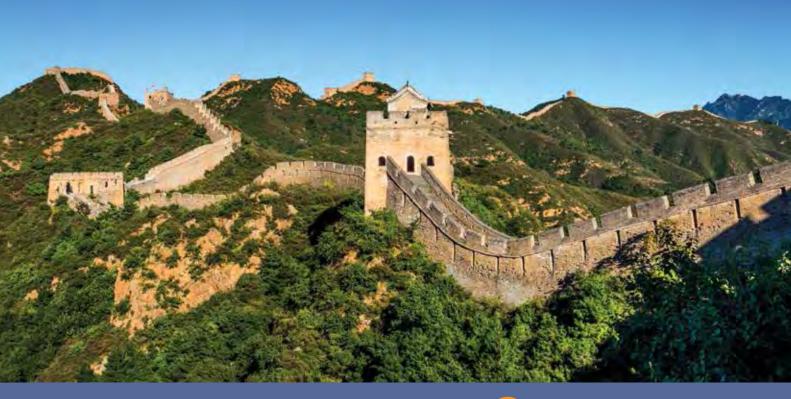
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