

Itinerary

Saturday 21st Oct: Fly from Manchester to Beijing, China (Departure: 12:15 p.m., Arrival: 05:25 a.m.)

Sunday 22nd Oct: Arrive in Beijing in the morning, pick up from Terminal 2 - Beijing Capital International Airport. After breakfast, explore the historical face of Beijing with a brief visit to **Tiananmen Square** and **The Forbidden City**.

After lunch, enjoy a trip on a rickshaw on the **HuTong Alley tour**. **Hutong** is a Mongolian word meaning water-well. Experience the unique nature of the alley's layout and structured lanes and live as the ancient Beijing citizens did, walking around the twisted lanes (home visit included).

Monday 23rd Oct: After Breakfast, attend an all-day school visit at International School of Beijing. After dinner, make our way over to **Chaoyang Theatre** to enjoy the Acrobat show. Return to the hotel after the performance.

Tuesday 24th Oct: In the morning, pay a visit to **JingDong (JD) company**. Headquartered in Beijing, JingDong Company is one of the biggest ecommerce companies in China. After lunch, visit the **Summer Palace**, recognised as 'The Museum of Royal Gardens' and constructed for the royal families to rest and entertain in the luxurious royal gardens. Re-live the palace as the royals did and see what they used to, enjoy then dinner. After dinner, back to hotel.

Wednesday 25th Oct: The sightseeing today starts with **Mutianyu Great Wall** then to **Ding Tomb** after lunch.



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Thursday 26th Oct: Escort to airport then fly to Chengdu. Arrive in Chengdu in the morning at 10:40 a.m.). Take a break after arrival to the hotel; and get ready for **The Giant Panda Breeding Research Base** - home to 152 giant and 76 red pandas (figures from 2015). The base focuses on creating the right habitual environment for them to breed.

Friday 27th Oct: After breakfast, a school visit to **Confucius International School** in Chengdu. In the afternoon, pay a visit to **Liu's Manor**. It is well-known for its combination of Eastern and Western architectural cultured building.

After dinner, enjoy the 'Face-Changing' performance at **China Opera House**.

Saturday 28th Oct: In the morning, visit **Wuhou Temple** and walk around the lively streets at Jinli Old Street - full of local snacks, delicate artefacts and folk shows; a city culture exploring day!
In the afternoon, arrive at the **Leshan Buddha**. The Buddha is located to the east of Leshan City, Sichuan Province. See the 71-meter high Giant Buddha, the largest carving in the world. Built between 713 and 803 (during the Tang Dynasty), depicting Maitreya, it took 90 years to finish.

Sunday 29th Oct: After breakfast, escort to airport, for a flight to Beijing. Pick up at Beijing Airport Terminal 1. After lunch, a tour around **YongHe Lamasery**, followed by a visit to the **Temple of Heaven** - where Emperors of the Ming (1368 - 1644) and Qing (1644 - 1911) Dynasty held the Heaven Worship Ceremony. As the most representative ancient sacrificial building, it is even bigger than the Forbidden City!

In the evening, escort to Beijing airport for a flight to the UK.

Monday 30th Oct: Flight from Beijing to Manchester (Departure: 01:45 a.m., Arrival: 05:05 a.m.)

