



GREATER AKRON CHAMBER

APRIL 9 - APRIL 17, 2010

CHINA MAIN ITINERARY

Day 1 - April 9, 2010 - JFK/Beijing

Board afternoon flight CA982 by 3:30pm to Beijing. You begin your adventure as you fly trans-Pacific aboard a wide cabin jetliner and cross the International Dateline.

Day 2 - April 10, 2010 - Beijing

(Beijing Marriott Hotel City Wall/5star, 7 Jian Guo Men South Avenue Dongcheng District, Tel: 0086-10-58118888)

Arrive in Beijing, the capital of China, at 6:20pm. Your local tour guide will meet you at the airport. Your first evening meal will be a wonderful Peking Roast Duck dinner. Afterwards you will transfer to your hotel.

Day 3 - April 11, 2010 - Beijing

In the morning visit the Temple of Heaven, built in 1420 A.D., where the emperors prayed to the heaven for a good harvest. On the way to your next stop, you will drive through a portion of the 2008 Olympic Park, passing the National Stadium, commonly known as the Bird's Nest, and the National Aquatic Center. Sight-seeing also includes a tour bus excursion to the Great Wall. The 4,000 mile long and 2,000 year old construction is said to be the only man-made structure visible from the moon with the naked eye. In route visit the Jade Factory. During Day 3 you will visit one of the 13 Ming Emperors' Tombs, which is fully excavated and open for exploration.

Day 4 - April 12, 2010 - Beijing

Visit the Tiananmen Square, the largest city square in the world. From there, you will visit The Palace Museum, also known as the Forbidden City, home of 24 emperors with a total space of 9,999 rooms. Sight-seeing includes a trip to the Pearl Market. Visit the amazing Summer Palace, known for many significant features such as the Long Corridor and its painted gallery, Kunming Lake, Longevity Hill, and the Seventeen-Arch Bridge. **Optional Tours: Hutong Tour (\$35USD/pp, Kung Fu Show (\$25USD/pp), Peking Opera (\$20USD/pp or \$40USD/pp for VIP seats)**

Day 5 - April 13, 2010 - Beijing/Shanghai/Suzhou

(Grand Metropark Hotel Suzhou/4star, 1355 Jinjihu Avenue, Suzhou Industrial Park, Tel: 0086-512-62800666)

Board 7:30AM CA1831 flight to Shanghai, then travel by tour bus to Suzhou. After your mid-day break, you will have afternoon sightseeing at Tiger Hill. **Optional Tour: Grand Canal Boat Ride (\$25USD/pp)**

Day 6 - April 14, 2010 - Suzhou/Hangzhou

(Holiday Inn Xiaoshan Hangzhou/4star, 688 Shanyin Road Xiaoshan District, Tel:0086-571-82977777)

Sight-seeing continues with a morning visit to the Suzhou Silk factory. From there you will travel to the centuries-old Linger-ing Garden, followed by an afternoon visit to the National Embroidery Institute to see silk embroidery, an important local craft with 1,000 years history. Later you will board your tour bus to Hangzhou and the Economic Development Zone.

Day 7 - April 15, 2010 - Hangzhou/Shanghai

(Renaissance Shanghai Zhongshan Park Hotel/5star, No. 1018 Changning Road, Tel: 0086-21-61158888)

Start the morning with a West Lake boat cruise and a relaxing stopover at the jewel-like pagodas. Visit the Longjing Green Tea Plantation; afterward explore the centuries-old Lingyin Temple which features the 64.3 ft-high carved camphor wood Buddha. Your day ends with a bus ride into Shanghai.

Day 8 - April 16, 2010 - Shanghai

Visit the Bund, a famous waterfront park, and afterwards the Shanghai Silk Rug Factory. In the afternoon, you will visit the Yu Garden, a maze of marvelous pavilions, ponds, rocky works and over-arching trees. Later you will have free time to explore the Old Town Bazaar and visit the Pudong Economic Development Zone. **Optional Tours: ERA Show Multimedia Theatrical Spectacular (\$35USD/pp), Huangpu River Boat Ride (\$25USD/pp)**

Day 9 - April 17, 2010 - Shanghai/Beijing/JFK

Board 8:00am CA1858 flight to Beijing. Take afternoon flight CA981 that will depart from Beijing by 1:00pm for JFK where you will arrive at 2:20pm on the same day.

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***Beijing Hotel Marriott City Wall:** www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/bjsw-beijing-marriott-hotel-city-wall

***Grand Metro Park Hotel Suzhou:** www.grandmetroparkhotel.com/hotel/eng/index.php?hotel=suzhou

***Holiday Inn Xiaoshan Hangzhou:** www.holidayinn.com/h/d/hi/1/en/hotel/hghxs

***Renaissance Shanghai Zhongshan Park Hotel:** www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/shabz-renaissance-shanghai-zhongshan-park-hotel