

Beijing Explorer - Uncover the Wonders of the Chinese Capital - 6CN-02 Days



This comprehensive tour delves deep into the heart of the Chinese capital, Beijing, unraveling its diverse and captivating landmarks. Alongside structured exploration, you'll have ample free time to navigate the city at your pace-whether it's for shopping, culinary exploration in diverse districts, or the option to extend your adventure with a visit to another captivating Chinese city before or after your capital tour.

DEPARTURE DATES: 25.05.2024; 01.06.2024; 08.06.2024; 15.06.2024; 22.06.2024; 29.06.2024; 06.07.2024; 13.07.2024; 20.07.2024; 27.07.2024; 03.08.2024; 10.08.2024; 17.08.2024; 24.08.2024; 31.08.2024; 07.09.2024; 14.09.2024; 21.09.2024; 28.09.2024; 12.10.2024; 26.10.2024; 09.11.2024; 23.11.2024; 07.12.2024; 21.12.2024; 28.12.2024.

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Day 1 - Beijing

Upon your arrival at the airport, our driver and guide will be waiting for you at the arrivals lounge, holding a signboard with your name. Today's exploration will take us to an ancient district of Beijing known as a 'Hutong neighborhood,' situated near Shichahai Lake. Hutongs, characterized by alleys and traditional courtyard residences, have roots dating back to the 13th century. Immerse yourself in this historical era with a guided rickshaw ride through the intricate lanes. (D)

Day 2 - Beijing

Our journey continues at Tiananmen Square, one of the world's most renowned squares, located in the heart of Beijing. As the fourth largest city square globally, spanning 440,000 square meters, it stands adjacent to the Tiananmen Gate, separating the square from the Forbidden City. Tiananmen Square has witnessed pivotal Chinese events, including Mao Zedong's declaration of the People's Republic of China in 1949. We will then explore the Forbidden City, the iconic Imperial Palace, with its ancient wooden structures and historical significance as the former residence of Chinese emperors from the Ming to the Qing dynasties (1420 to 1924). In the afternoon, a visit to the exquisite Summer Palace awaits, where the natural beauty of lakes and hills harmonizes with architectural brilliance. The day concludes with the culinary delight of a traditional roast duck dinner. (B,L,D)

Day 3 - Beijing

Embark on today's journey, spanning 70 kilometers (44 miles) north of Beijing, to explore the best-preserved section of the Great Wall of China known as the 'Badaling Great Wall' in Yanqing County. Dating back to the 16th century during the Ming dynasty, this particular segment has earned a prestigious place on UNESCO's World Heritage List. After immersing ourselves in this historical marvel, the focus shifts to modern China with a visit to the Olympic Green and Park, originally built in Beijing for the

TOUR INCLUSIONS AND OPTIONAL EXTRAS

Included

International flights
Accommodation
Full board meals
English - speaking guides
Guided tours & entrance fees
Airport transfers

Not included

Personal travel insurance
Optional excursions

Practical information

Chinese visa procedure
Visa free travel to Beijing
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2008 Summer Olympics. The day concludes with an enthralling performance at one of Beijing's premier Acrobatic Shows in the evening. (B,L,D)

Day 4 - Beijing

Today's exploration guides us to the Temple of Heaven, a captivating ensemble of temples and altars situated within a central park in Beijing. Erected for the emperor, the symbolism is rich, with the northern wall representing the sky, the southern wall representing the earth, and the dark blue tiled roof symbolizing heaven. Following this cultural immersion, our next destination is the Lama Temple, also recognized as the Palace of Peace. Serving as a center for Tibetan Buddhism, it functions as a study center and houses a priceless collection, including a statue of Maitreya, the future Buddha. (B,L,D)

Day 5 - Beijing

Enjoy a leisurely break and explore Beijing at your own pace today. Whether you choose to explore shopping malls, take a stroll through parks, appreciate art, or immerse yourself in local hangouts, this free day provides the flexibility to tailor your experience. If you wish, we can assist in booking an excursion to enhance your exploration. (B)

Day 6 - Beijing

Our driver will be ready to transfer you to the airport directly from the hotel lobby. (B)

AVAILABLE PACKAGES

PREMIUM - 4* PACKAGE

Dates	Excl. flights	Incl. flights*	Single suppl.
25/05/2024 - 30/05/2024	£795	£1695	£175
01/06/2024 - 06/06/2024	£795	£1695	£175
08/06/2024 - 13/06/2024	£795	£1695	£175
15/06/2024 - 20/06/2024	£795	£1695	£175
22/06/2024 - 27/06/2024	£795	£1695	£175
29/06/2024 - 04/07/2024	£795	£1695	£175
06/07/2024 - 11/07/2024	£795	£1695	£175
13/07/2024 - 18/07/2024	£795	£1695	£175
20/07/2024 - 25/07/2024	£795	£1695	£175
27/07/2024 - 01/08/2024	£795	£1695	£175
03/08/2024 - 08/08/2024	£795	£1695	£175
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24/08/2024 - 29/08/2024	£795	£1695	£175
31/08/2024 - 05/09/2024	£795	£1695	£175
07/09/2024 - 12/09/2024	£795	£1695	£175
14/09/2024 - 19/09/2024	£795	£1695	£175
21/09/2024 - 26/09/2024	£795	£1695	£175
28/09/2024 - 03/10/2024	£795	£1695	£175
12/10/2024 - 17/10/2024	£795	£1695	£175
26/10/2024 - 31/10/2024	£795	£1695	£175
09/11/2024 - 14/11/2024	£795	£1695	£175
23/11/2024 - 28/11/2024	£795	£1695	£175
07/12/2024 - 12/12/2024	£795	£1695	£175
21/12/2024 - 26/12/2024	£795	£1695	£175
28/12/2024 - 02/01/2025	£795	£1695	£175

ALTERNATIVE TOURS AND TAILOR-MADE ARRANGEMENTS

In addition to organised group tours, we also offer individual trips. This could be an entirely separate holiday arrangement or an extension to a regular "Go Russia" trip. Whether you would like to travel independently, or just with the group of your friends or colleagues, we can help to realise your holiday plans. Depending on your preference for either comfort or budget, we can help you to design the ideal itinerary and provide the optimal value-for-money quote. Please [contact us for a quote](#).

Based on your chosen tour we believe you might be interested in alternative trips listed below:

- > [China's Golden Triangle: Unveiling the Wonders of Beijing, Xian and Shanghai - 8 Days \(CN-03\)](#), Price from £1,545, 8 days
- > [China's Golden Triangle & Gardens of Suzhou - 9 Days \(CN-04\)](#), Price from £1,695, 9 days
- > [Best of China: Exploring Beijing, Xian, Guilin & Li River, Shanghai, Suzhou - 11 Days \(CN-05\)](#), Price from £2,345, 11 days
- > [Trans-Mongolian East-West: Beijing - Ulan Bator - Baikal - Yekaterinburg - Moscow - St. Petes \(TS-17\)](#), Price from £3,195, 20 days

INFORMATION ABOUT VISAS

Go Russia provides assistance in processing visas and visa fees are included in the cost of most of our trips as detailed in the tour dossier. The visa application process is very straightforward. We have years of practical experience in dealing with tourist visas, and our in-house visa team provides assistance with completing the forms and checking the documents before consular submission. Please do not worry that your application will be unsuccessful (unless you have had any immigration issues with the relevant authorities in the past). All our tourists get their visas.

All nationalities require a full passport valid for at least six months beyond the intended length of stay. Please also make sure there are enough blank pages in your passport: Russian consulate requires minimum two blank pages.

UK, USA, Germany, France, Spain residents

We have in-house visa teams in the UK, USA, Germany, France and Spain. Upon your booking we will email you detailed guidance notes how to fill in the visa forms and what additional documents depending on nationality and your immigration status will be required. You will need to post your application pack to our visa processing office including your original passport. Please allow about two - three weeks for each visa application to be processed. The actual visa processing times are published on our website. Please advise us if you require your passport urgently, we can arrange urgent processing for an additional charge.

Non-UK, USA, Germany, France, Spain residents

If you are not resident in the above countries, we will issue official paperwork and email the required documents to you. You will need to apply for your visa at the local consulate. The process is very straightforward and we can assist you with completing the visa forms. You will have to pay the correct visa fee at the consulate in the country of your residence.

You can read more information about visa, processing times and application forms on our website:

www.justgorussia.co.uk/en/visa_services.html

HOW TO BOOK

Step 1 - Choose Your Holiday & Departure Dates

It is important that you choose a trip that is well suited to your interests, capabilities and experience. All our staff has first hand experience of a range of Go Russia holidays and will be happy to talk to you about your chosen trip, enabling you to assess its suitability. We also recommend that you read the descriptions of the relevant region, general information about our services, booking conditions, and trip dossiers carefully. Once you know what tour is right for you, as well as your departure dates, you can start your booking.

Step 2 - Complete the Booking Form

Online: log on to www.justgorussia.co.uk and open the tour you wish to book and click "Book now". To provide you with a more personalised and relevant experience in all your contact with Go Russia, when you book online we ask you to register on our system. Once registered you can retrieve your bookings, brochure requests, update newsletter subscriptions, passenger and emergency contact details, submit special dietary requests, view invoices and receipts, download trip documents.

Email: alternatively, you can book your tour per email - info@justgorussia.co.uk, or

Phone: call us on +44 (0)20 33 55 77 17

When booking by email or over the phone please confirm your personal details (full name and address), chosen tour, departure date, package type (hotel / cabin category), and available upgrades.

Step 3 - Confirmation of your booking

On receipt of your booking form, we will make any necessary reservations for you and send you confirmation invoice, including the flight details, and additional information about your destination: advice on visas, vaccinations and what to take. The invoice will also show you the exact due date of the payment.

Step 4 - Payment

Please note, if your departure date is more than 56 days you will need to pay the deposit, which should cover the full cost of the flight (if applicable), plus 10% of the land-only arrangements (minimum £100) per person towards your tour. The outstanding payment must be made 56 days prior to departure. If you book less than 56 days before departure, full payment must be made at the time of your booking. You can make your payment by bank transfer, debit or credit card, cheque, bankers draft or postal order. You will find all relevant payment details in your invoice.

