

SILK ROAD

BEIJING XI'AN DUNHUANG



11-DAY SILK ROAD

Beijing: Forbidden City 紫禁城

Day 1: Depart for China.

Day 2: Check in to a hotel. Have a welcome dinner and play an ice breaker game 破冰游戏.

Day 3: Tour the world's largest and most preserved ancient imperial palace complex - the Forbidden City. Visit Tsinghua University; Watch a Chinese acrobatic show 杂技表演.

Day 4: Climb the Great Wall and tour the Summer Palace. Take a train to Xi'an.

Xi'an: An Everlasting Ancient City

Day 5: Visit Shanxi History Museum; Tour the Terra Cotta Warriors 兵马俑 and Horses Museum; Learn how to make the Terracotta Warriors and Horses; Watch a historical dance drama "The Song of Everlasting Sorrow" 长恨歌.

Day 6: Visit Xi'an Belin Museum and learn about the rubbing technique and calligraphy. Visit the Small Wild Goose Pagoda 小雁塔 which is one of the two famous and important Buddhist pagodas erected in the Tang Dynasty 唐代; Watch a shadow puppet show and learn how to make shadow puppets 皮影戏 from the Yanyuan people who inherited the craft of making the puppets.

Day 7: Visit the underground Exhibition Hall of Hanyang Mausoleum; Fly to Dunhuang; Visit Dunhuang Museum 敦煌博物馆; Watch a drama "See Dunhuang Again" 再见敦煌.

Dunhuang: Silk Road

Day 8: Visit Dunhuang Mogao Grottoes 莫高石窟, also known as the Thousand Buddha Grottoes including the Entity Grottoes and the Mogao Grottoes Murals Exhibition Hall; Learn about the ancient Chinese etiquette in the Mogao Grottoes Research Institute; Learn how the murals were made; Tour the Shazhou Night Market 沙洲夜市.

Day 9: Participate in outdoor team - building activities such as hiking, biking, etc. To enhance your outdoor learning experiences, experiences, explore the desert scenery.

Day 10: Watch the sunrise at the Mingsha Mountain 鸣沙山 and Crescent Moon Spring; Learn the paper - cutting 剪纸 skills from the intangible cultural inheritors. Camp in the desert; Ride a camel; Learn how to grow food in the desert; Experience desert sledding and frisbee; Enjoy the desert's night sky and a campfire party.

Day 11: Fly back to the US.

