

Ancient Residences & Mountaintop Tour



This tour captures several avenues for exploring life within one of the most beautiful regions of China. You will get to stay at a luxury hotel at the top of the amazing Huangshan Mountain, with its grand vistas and sunrise observation deck. This tour also takes you to explore "China's most beautiful village" of Wuyuan, which offers stunning landscapes, deep caves set among the majestic mountains with crystal clear rivers.

In addition to traveling via air, your family will have private van transport, overnight train, public bus, mountain cable car, plus breathtaking views as you arrive at your mountaintop hotel. You will also get to do some hiking in this vibrant exploration of China's natural beauty. Embark on this tour anytime you would like to "dig deeper" into authentic Chinese culture while exploring life in the countryside. Email louie@lotustours.net to explore getting your family involved in this active exploration of life in China.

TOUR OVERVIEW

Tour Code: **LY-HA-ARMT**

Trip Duration: **10 days/9 nights**

Shanghai, Suzhou, Mt. Huangshan, Hangzhou

Departure Dates: Every Tuesday



DAY 1 : TUESDAY NORTH AMERICA /SHANGHAI

meals: **N/A**

Leave your home city for Shanghai today.

DAY 2 : WEDNESDAY SHANGHAI

meals: **N/A**

Arrive at the Shanghai Pudong International Airport. Your private English-speaking guide and driver will take you to your hotel.

DAY 3 : THURSDAY SHANGHAI/SUZHOU/SHANGHAI

meals: **B/L**

You will travel to Suzhou by a private van with about a one-hour ride. Enjoy a full day tour with a Chinese lunch included in Suzhou. The gardens are a must on the itinerary of the day tour. The Master-of-Nets Garden, constructed in the Song Dynasty, is listed as one of the most elegant and finest gardens in the country. The Lingering Garden is another masterpiece that is considered a national monument. After visiting the gardens, the next stops are Tiger Hill and the Ancient Water City Gate (Pan Gate) on the bank of the Grand Canal. These historic sites trace back more than 2,500 years to the founding of the City of Suzhou. You will also have the opportunity to visit the Suzhou Silk Factory, where you can see how silk threads are spun from silkworm cocoons. At the end of the tour, the guide and driver will send you back to your hotel in Shanghai.

DAY 4 : FRIDAY SHANGHAI/MT. HUANGSHAN

meals: **B/L/D**

Begin your adventure with a relaxing walk along the Bund near the Huang Pu River. Then visit the YuYuan Garden and enjoy its intricately designed pathways, pavilions, koi stocked pools and quiet courtyards. Later you will pass by the shops and restaurants of the YuYuan Bazaar on your way to lunch. This afternoon you'll enjoy a visit to the Jade Buddha (Yufo) Temple; as you enter the temple grounds, you might hear prayers of the monks and glimpse the smoke of incense curling toward the sky. Next, you will visit Jinmao Tower.

You will be transferred to the Shanghai Train Station and take a bullet train for the trip to Mt. Huangshan.



Shanghai/Mt. HuangShan

Bullet Train D3323 (7:05P/9:53P)
(Your tour guide has train fare)

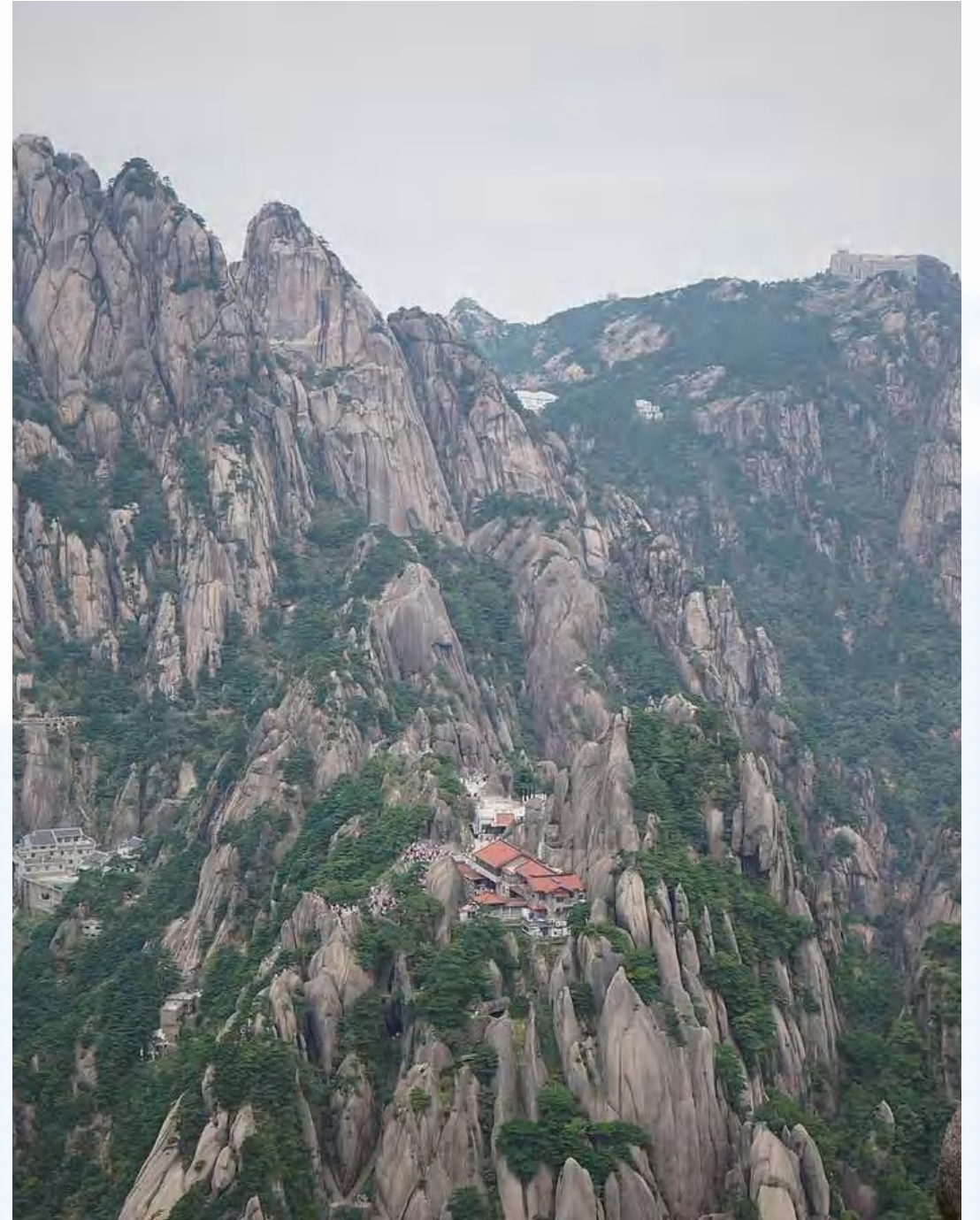


DAY 5 : SATURDAY MT. HUANGSHAN

meals: **L**

You will travel to the top of Mt. Huangshan for your overnight stay at Shilin Hotel, which is situated near the mountain peak. Many Huangshan sights, including Lion Peak, Shixin Peak and the West Sea Grand Canyon are within hiking distance of this hotel. You will be close to the Yungu Cable station and the sunrise observation locale.

This incredible hotel has an amazing view of this famed peak and you will take cable up mountain. Before the cable ride, you will leave your main luggage in the van, and pack a backpack for a two night stay on top of the mountain. Enjoy a full day of touring as you explore Mt. Huangshan.



DAY 6 : SUNDAY MT. HUANGSHAN

meals: **B/L**

Enjoy a full day tour exploring different areas of Mt. Huangshan and its breathtaking beauty. You will hike past your last night's hotel and stay a little farther up the mountain at the Xihai Hotel for your overnight stay. The lovely hotel is located at the foot of Lion Peak and is only a 10 minute walk to the sunrise observation deck. Definitely an ideal way to capture some lovely and memorable scenic photos, plus get some healthy hiking accomplished in the beautiful, fresh mountain air!



DAY 7 : MONDAY MT. HUANGSHAN

meals: **B/L**

You will take cable down this morning and visit the Lovers' Valley, which is located at the northern foot of Huangshan Mountain. It is about 6 kilometers long and boasts more than 100 emerald ponds. During the daylight hours, the ponds take on different colors; after sunset, the shadows of the moon and mountains present distinct and lovely sights. Today you will also visit Hongcun Village and the Tunxi Old Street, which dates back to the Song Dynasty (960-1279) with centuries' old history within the street. The street houses many ancient shops and some informal museums dedicated to preserving this history.



DAY 8 : TUESDAY MT. HUANGSHAN/WUYUAN/MT. HUANGSHAN

meals: **B/L/D**

You will travel to Wuyuan by a private van to explore the city with its ancient Anhui style architecture set among a magnificent landscape. It has been described by some photographers as "China's most beautiful village" with its surrounding lovely landscape dotted with deep rock formations, deep caves and clear rivers among emerald green mountains. Your Chinese lunch and dinner are both included; you will travel back to the ancient town of Tunxi late this afternoon, as you absorb life in the countryside in China.



DAY 9 : WEDNESDAY MT. HUANGSHAN/HANGZHOU

meals: **B/L**

This morning you will take bullet train to Hangzhou (Your tour guide has train fare). Meet your local English-speaking tour guide and private van driver at the exit of the Hangzhou train Station and you will be transferred to the hotel. After the included Chinese lunch, enjoy 1/2 day city tour of the beautiful sites around the picturesque city of Hangzhou.

DAY 10 : THURSDAY HANGZHOU

meals: **B/L**

Start your tour of this most famed spot via a lovely boat ride to view and experience West Lake from the water. West Lake is a well-known symbol and place of tranquility within Hangzhou. You will get to visit Fairy Island, which is definitely worth experiencing. You will also see the Ten Best Views of West Lake, which includes "Three Pools Mirroring the Moon" viewpoint. The occasional pagoda and Chinese-style arched bridges add atmosphere to the tree-lined walkways, lush islands and hills. Visiting West Lake is a very special part of any China experience.



This afternoon, take a step deeper into the authentic Chinese culture and visit Longjing village where you will enjoy a cup of famous Longjing Green Tea. You will gain appreciation for the culture of tea in China and learn many things about tea not previously known.

DAY 11 : FRIDAY HANGZHOU/N. AMERICA OR OTHER DESTINATION CITY IN CHINA

meals: **B**

After your breakfast in the hotel, you will be transferred to the Xian Airport for your returning flight to N. America or to the next destination city in China. Design the itinerary you wish for the hometown area visit. Most often it includes an orphanage visit and meeting staff in the morning, followed by a lunch meal at a local restaurant. If desired, we have guides are also trained to assist adoptees/families who choose to explore clues for birth family connections. Please let us know your goals and we will customize plans according to your objectives. You may contact iris@lotustours.net to discuss additional questions.



REMARKS:

B = Breakfast **L** = Chinese Lunch **D** = Chinese Dinner
CA = Air China **CZ** = China Southern Airline **MU** = China Eastern Airlines

TOUR PRICES: valid until December 31st, 2026

GROUP SIZE/TOUR TYPE	2-5 PAX	6-9 PAX	HOTEL SINGLE SUPPLEMENT
Standard Class	\$2,150.00/per person	\$1,699.00/Per person	\$560.00

Note: Child price is 80% of adult price.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

CITY	STANDARD CLASS
Shanghai	Holiday Inn Shanghai Vista
Huangshan	Xiangming Jiari Hotel,Huangshan
Hangzhou	Zhongwei Sunny Hotel, Hangzhou

HOTEL INFORMATION:

HOTEL	Indoor Pool	Outdoor Pool	Gym	Safe Box	Refrigerator	Hair Dryer	Kitchen
Holiday Inn Shanghai Vista	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
Xiangming Jiari Hotel,Huangshan			✓	✓		✓	
Zhongwei Sunny Hotel, Hangzhou					✓	✓	





INCLUSIONS:

- Bullet train ticket of Shanghai/Mt. Huangshan/Hangzhou;
- Private transfer of Shanghai/Suzhou/Shanghai & Mt. Huangshan/Wuyuan/Mt. Huangshan;
- Airport/hotel/airport (or train station) transfer as listed in itinerary;
- All listed sightseeing and tour programs with private English-speaking tour guide and private van or bus with driver.
- Hotels and meals as stipulated in itinerary.

EXCLUSIONS:

- International airfare of US/Shanghai, Hangzhou/US;
- Some meals.
- Tipping to tour guide and driver.
- Chinese visa.
- Expenses of a personal nature.
- Orphanage visit filing fees.
- Optional Program.

TERMS & CONDITIONS:

- Deposit: A **\$500** per person non-refundable deposit needs to be sent to us within one week in order to guarantee the above quotes.
- Balance: Balance is due 60 days before departure.
- Airfare: Airfare is due at time of ticket issuance.
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