

Mountains and Valley Tour



This is an ideal trip if you want to explore natural beauty of mountains and valleys while visiting key sites of the Buddhism. First you will get to absorb the amazing beauty of Jiuzhaigou, which is considered a "cousin" to Yellowstone Park in America. Jiuzhaigou means "valley of nine lakes". It is a wonderful place in between mountains, known for its many multi-level waterfalls, colorful lakes and snow peaks with breathtaking beauty. You will also see the largest Buddha ever built and visit the "holy land" of Buddhism. Of course, while you are in this Sichuan province, we include a visit to the Panda Research and Breeding Center.

Want to know more? Email Louie Yi, Expedition Specialist at louie@lotustours.net and get started on this amazing adventure!

TOUR OVERVIEW

Tour Code: **LY-HA-MAVT**

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

Chengdu, JiuZhaiGou, Mt. Leshan, Mt. EMei, Xian, Mt. Hua Shan

Departure Dates: Please contact one of our experienced travel advisors for departure dates

DAY 1 : CHENGDU

meals: **N/A**

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

DAY 2 : CHENGDU/JIUZHAIGOU

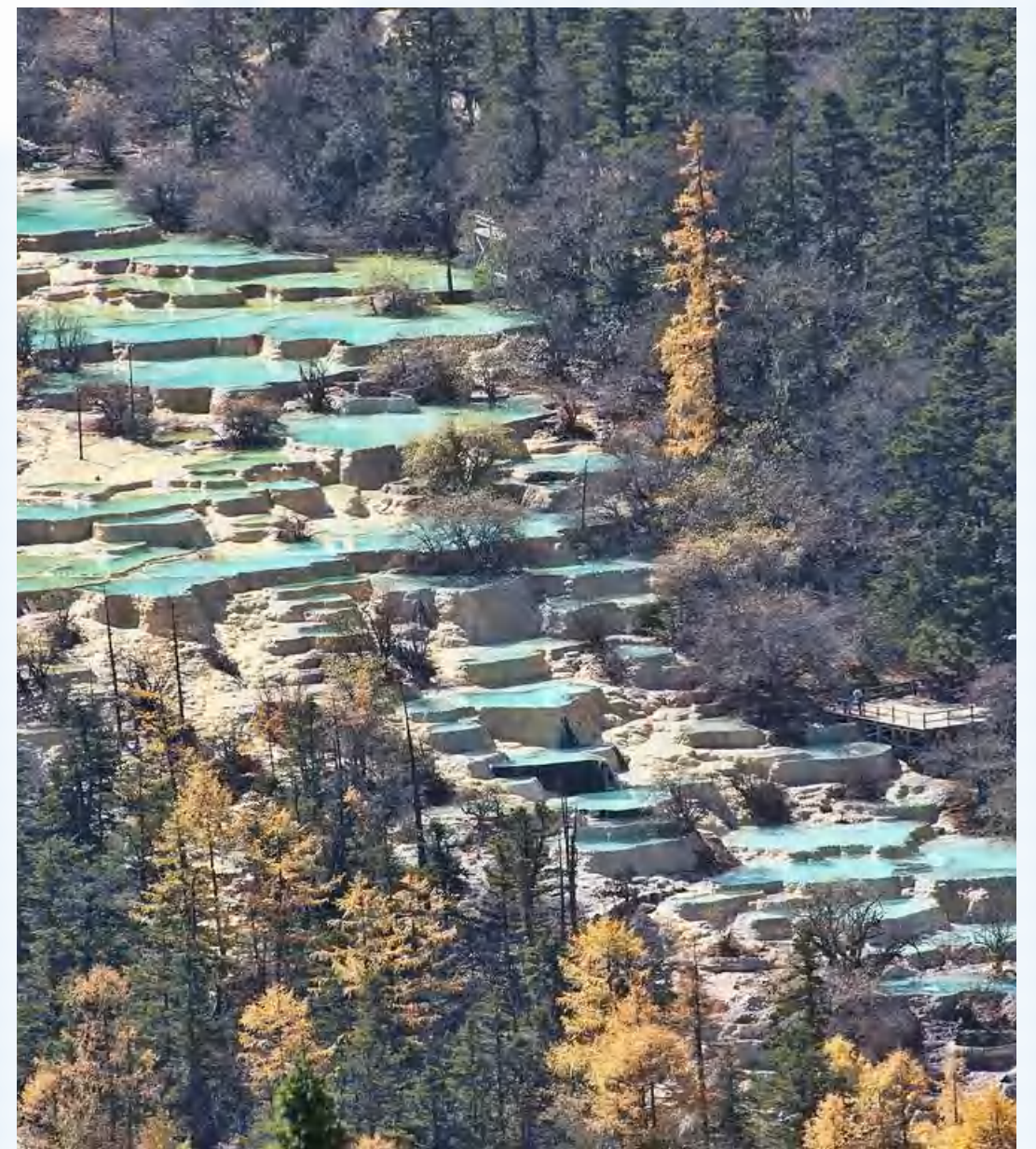
meals: **B/L**

After enjoying breakfast at the hotel, you will meet your private English-speaking tour guide and van driver in the hotel lobby. Together, you'll embark on a half-day city tour that includes a delicious Chinese lunch. After the meal, you'll be taken to Chengdu Train Station to board a bullet train to JiuZhaiGou. JiuZhaiGou is often referred to as the Chinese Yellowstone Park, renowned for its stunning natural beauty.

Chengdu/JiuZhaiGou

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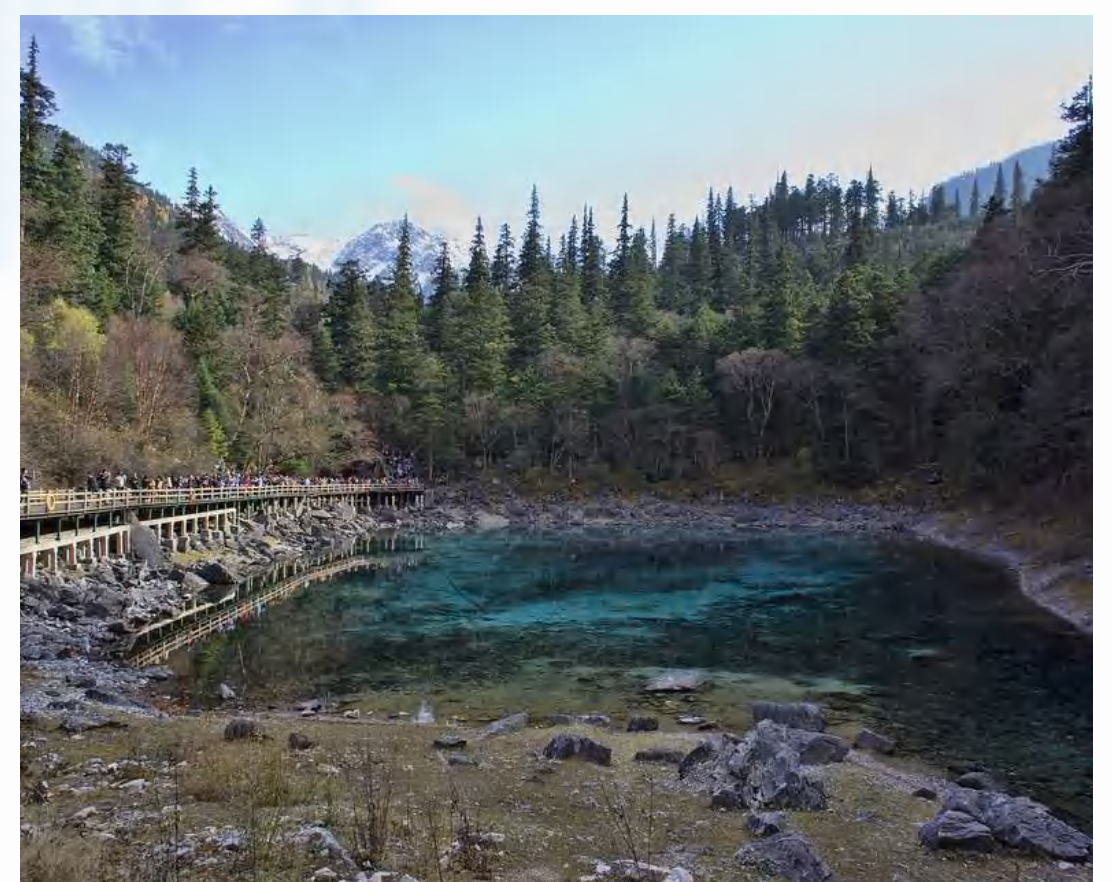
(Your local tour guide has train fare)



DAY 3 : JIUZHAIGOU

meals: **B**

Today you will have a full day sightseeing to Jiuzhaigou Valley Scenic and Historic Interest Area. The well-known Jiuzhaigou Valley is a 35-kilometer long valley with diverse natural beauty. It consists of three main valleys which are at an altitude of about 2,500 meters. The 60,000 hectares of fairyland includes well-protected virgin forests, 108 clear lakes, verdant mountains, and gorgeous waterfalls. The famous attractions you will encounter are the Multi-colored Lake, the Nuorilong Fall, the Long Lake and the Pearl Beach.



Since there is no nice restaurant there, please have a big breakfast and bring enough snacks for your lunch.

DAY 4 : JIUZHAIGOU/CHENGDU

meals: **B/L**

Enjoy a full day tour in the Jiuzhai Valley area, taking in the stunning natural beauty and vibrant landscapes. After the tour, you will be transferred to the train station for your return trip to Chengdu via bullet train.

JiuZhaiGou/Chengdu

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(Your tour guide has train fare)

Meet your local English-speaking tour guide at the Chengdu train station exit for transfer to the hotel.



DAY 5 : CHENGDU/MT. LESHAN/MT. ERMEI

meals: **B/L**

This morning you will be transferred to the Mt. Leshan to take boat to appreciate the Giant Buddha, a sitting stone statue of Maitreya carved on a cliff at the confluence of Min River, Qingyi River and Dadu River. Measuring about 233-feet high, this Buddha with serious expression is the largest stone Buddha in the world whose carving work took about 90 years. Afterwards, you will travel to Mt. Emei.



DAY 6 : MT. ERMEI/CHENGDU

meals: **B/L**

You will tour around the Mt. ErMei today. As one of the four most famous Buddhist Mountains in China, Mt. Emei boasts temples and gathers Buddhist culture. In addition, owing to its majestic cliffs, deep valleys, flying waterfalls, sea cloud and verdant forests, the mountain has been reputed as 'a beauty spot under heaven' by Chinese people since ancient times. You will visit the Baoguo Temple which is the largest temple on Mt. Emei and known as the No.1 scenic spot on the mountain.



You will be transferred back to Chengdu by a private van at late afternoon.

DAY 7 : CHENGDU/XIAN

meals: **B/L**

Go on an extraordinary journey to the Panda Breeding Research Base this morning. A professional panda caregiver will give a brief insight into panda research findings and everyone will have the rare opportunity to hold and hug a baby panda - something everyone in the family is sure to enjoy. After lunch, you will be transferred to the Chengdu Train Station for the trip to Xian by bullet train.

Chengdu/Xian

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Arrive at the Xian Train Station. Meet your local tour guide at the train station exit for transfer to the hotel



DAY 8 : XIAN/FAMEN/XIAN

meals: **B/L**

After breakfast, you will visit the Qianling Museum and the famous Famen Temple. Qianling Museum is the joint mausoleum of Wu Zetian (624 - 705), the only female emperor in Chinese history. There you will see the famous Blank Tablet of Wu Zetian, which is still a mystery that no words were carved on it to describe her achievements as an emperor. The Famen Temple, an imperial temple of the Tang Dynasty (618 - 907), is a famous Buddhist holy land in China.

You will see the 47-meter high pagoda which houses the remains of Sakyamuni, cluster of Tang-dynasty style buildings as well as a great number of cultural relics, among which the gold and silver relics in delicate patterns and designs are the most representative and precious treasures from the Tang Dynasty. You will be back to the hotel at late afternoon.



DAY 9 : XIAN/MT. HUASHAN/XIAN

meals: **B/L**

You will visit the Mt. Huashan which is 80 miles away from Xian City. As one of the five most famous mountains in China, the Mt. Huashan is well known for its natural vistas of steep and narrow paths, precipitous crags, lofty peaks and a high mountain range. It takes two hours to reach the foot of Mt. Huashan. Then you will take the cable car to the North Peak with a high altitude of 1614 meters.

You will be impressed by the majesty of Mt. Huashan and also its supernatural atmosphere. You will take the cable car back to the foot of mountain and be transferred back to your hotel at late afternoon.



DAY 10 : XIAN/NEXT DESTINATION CITY

meals: **B**

After your breakfast in the hotel, you will be transferred to the Xian Airport for your returning flight home 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 who 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:

Start from \$1,750.00/per person

HOTEL INFORMATION:

HOTEL	Indoor Pool	Outdoor Pool	Gym	Safe Box	Refrigerator	Hair Dryer	Kitchen
Holiday Inn Express,Chengdu				✓	✓	✓	
JiSheng Hotel,JiuZhaiGou			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Heng Mai Hotel,ErMaiShan			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Holiday Inn Xi'an High-Tech Zone			✓	✓	✓	✓	



INCLUSIONS:

- Bullet train fare of Chengdu/JiuZhaiGou/Chengdu/Xian;
- Private transfer of Chengdu/Mt. LeShan/Mt. ErMei & Xian/Famen/Xian, Xian/Mt. HuaShan/Xian;
- 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 to Chengdu, Xian/home;
- Some meals.
- Tipping to tour guide and driver.
- Chinese visa.
- Expenses of a personal nature.
- Orphanage visit filing fees.

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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