China Travel, Customised · AI-Generated Itinerary

Chengdu · Xi'an · Shanghai · Zhangjiajie

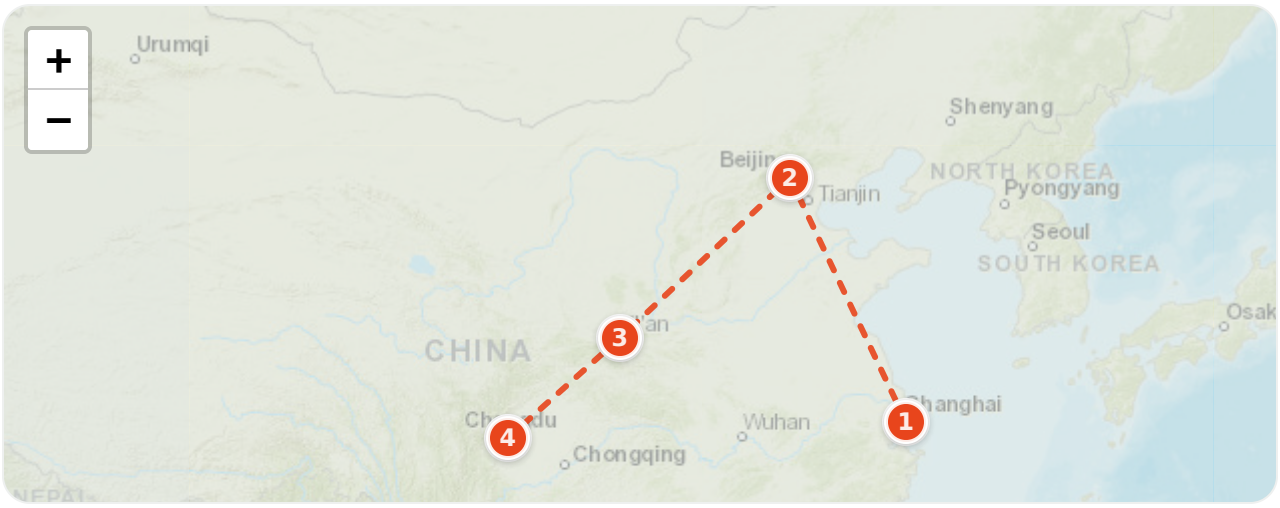
Shanghai → Beijing → Xi'an → Chengdu

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At a glance

Shanghai **Beijing** **Xi'an** **Chengdu**

Route map



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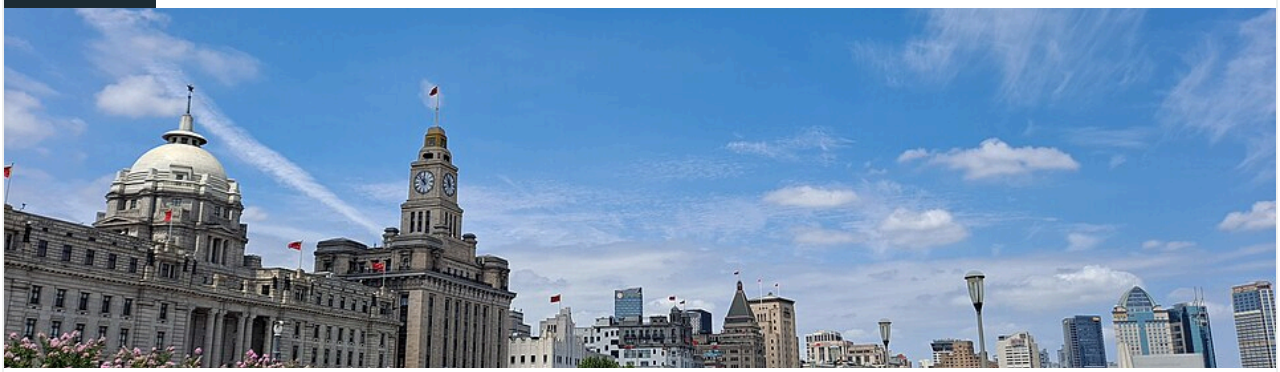
Day-by-day itinerary

A suggested hourly plan — times are flexible and your trip designer fine-tunes every detail to your pace, opening hours and weather.

DAY 1

Shanghai

Arrival & first look



09:00	Arrive in Shanghai. Your private driver meets you and transfers you to the hotel (about 45–90 min from the airport).
11:00	Early check-in, drop your bags and freshen up.
12:30	Welcome lunch — a regional set-menu lunch at a local favourite.
14:30	Gentle orientation: a guided stroll through Shanghai old quarter with short photo stops.
17:00	Return to the hotel to rest. Activate your eSIM and set up Alipay / WeChat Pay with your card.
19:00	Dinner at a recommended local restaurant — a celebrated local restaurant (your guide's pick).
20:30	Easy evening: a night view or free time. Your guide briefs you for tomorrow.

Overnight in Shanghai.

DAILY REMINDERS · APPLIES EVERY DAY

- [ ] Carry your passport (plus a visa copy) — hotels and sites may check ID.
- [ ] Keep both cash and a topped-up mobile-payment app (Alipay / WeChat Pay).
- [ ] Download the offline map for the day’s area.
- [ ] Confirm the next day’s driver pickup time with your guide each evening.
- [ ] Charge your phone and power bank before heading out.
- [ ] Pre-book timed-entry tickets and wear comfortable walking shoes.

DAY 2 — Shanghai

Full-day exploration

07:30	Breakfast at the hotel.
08:30	Depart with your guide for this morning’s highlights.
09:15	A city-highlights drive with photo stops at panoramic viewpoints.
11:15	Visit a top museum or gallery with a local guide.
12:30	Lunch — a regional set-menu lunch at a local favourite.
14:00	A food crawl through a local market with tastings.
16:00	Free time for last-minute shopping.
17:30	Return to the hotel to freshen up; free time.
19:00	Dinner — a celebrated local restaurant (your guide's pick).
20:30	A riverside night cruise.
22:00	Back to the hotel. Overnight in Shanghai.

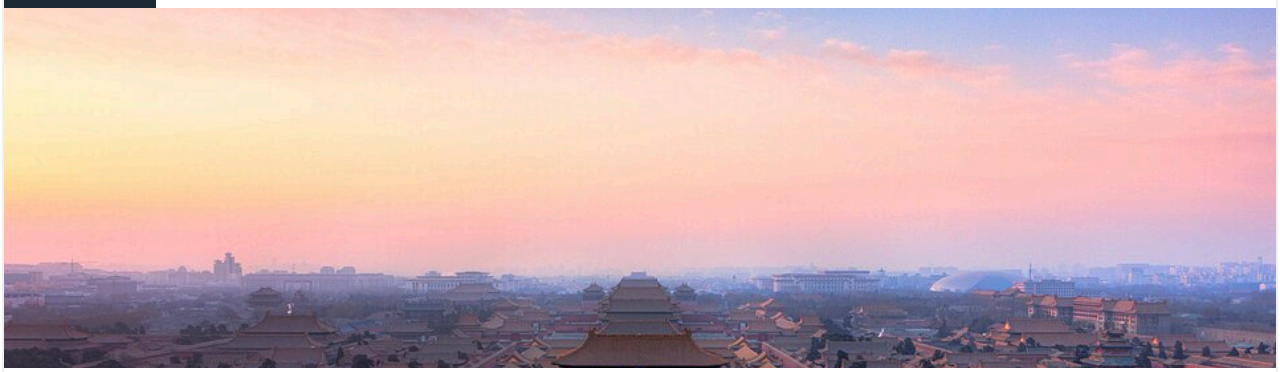
DAY 3 — Shanghai

On the road to Beijing

07:30	Breakfast at the hotel and pack.
09:00	Free morning for a last stroll or souvenir shopping in Shanghai.
11:00	Check out; private transfer to the station / airport for the intercity leg to Beijing.
13:00	Arrive Beijing; check in or drop your bags at the hotel.
14:30	Afternoon orientation of Beijing with your guide — A botanical garden or park and a relaxed boat ride..
18:30	Dinner in Beijing — a celebrated local restaurant (your guide's pick).
20:30	Free evening. Overnight in Beijing.

DAY 4 — Beijing

Settle in & explore



07:30	Breakfast at the hotel.
08:30	Depart with your guide for this morning’s highlights.
09:15	Guided tour of Beijing's signature landmark and its museum quarter.
11:15	Wander a traditional neighbourhood and its artisan streets.
12:30	Lunch — a regional set-menu lunch at a local favourite.
14:00	Afternoon at leisure — shopping streets, cafés and people-watching.
16:00	A rooftop or riverside viewpoint for the golden hour.
17:30	Return to the hotel to freshen up; free time.
19:00	Dinner — a celebrated local restaurant (your guide's pick).
20:30	A night market or a live cultural performance.
22:00	Back to the hotel. Overnight in Beijing.

DAY 5 — Beijing

Full-day exploration

07:30	Breakfast at the hotel.
08:30	Depart with your guide for this morning’s highlights.
09:15	Explore Beijing's historic core — temples, lanes and covered markets.
11:15	Stop for a tea or coffee break at a landmark café.
12:30	Lunch — a regional set-menu lunch at a local favourite.

14:00	A guided visit to a second major sight or palace complex.
16:00	A spa or foot-massage stop to recharge.
17:30	Return to the hotel to freshen up; free time.
19:00	Dinner — a celebrated local restaurant (your guide's pick).
20:30	A rooftop bar with skyline views.
22:00	Back to the hotel. Overnight in Beijing.

DAY 6 — Beijing

On the road to Xi'an

07:30	Breakfast at the hotel and pack.
09:00	Free morning for a last stroll or souvenir shopping in Beijing.
11:00	Check out; private transfer to the station / airport for the intercity leg to Xi'an.
13:00	Arrive Xi'an; check in or drop your bags at the hotel.
14:30	Afternoon orientation of Xi'an with your guide — A food crawl through a local market with tastings..
18:30	Dinner in Xi'an — a celebrated local restaurant (your guide's pick).
20:30	Free evening. Overnight in Xi'an.

DAY 7 — Xi'an

Settle in & explore



07:30	Breakfast at the hotel.

08:30	Depart with your guide for this morning’s highlights.
09:15	Cycle or walk Xi'an's riverside promenade and leafy boulevards.
11:15	Browse a bustling local market and its street food.
12:30	Lunch — a regional set-menu lunch at a local favourite.
14:00	A botanical garden or park and a relaxed boat ride.
16:00	A hidden temple or gallery away from the crowds.
17:30	Return to the hotel to freshen up; free time.
19:00	Dinner — a celebrated local restaurant (your guide's pick).
20:30	A quiet local eatery and an evening stroll.
22:00	Back to the hotel. Overnight in Xi'an.

DAY 8

Xi'an

Full-day exploration

07:30	Breakfast at the hotel.
08:30	Depart with your guide for this morning’s highlights.
09:15	Guided tour of Xi'an's signature landmark and its museum quarter.
11:15	Wander a traditional neighbourhood and its artisan streets.
12:30	Lunch — a regional set-menu lunch at a local favourite.
14:00	Afternoon at leisure — shopping streets, cafés and people-watching.
16:00	A rooftop or riverside viewpoint for the golden hour.
17:30	Return to the hotel to freshen up; free time.
19:00	Dinner — a celebrated local restaurant (your guide's pick).
20:30	A night market or a live cultural performance.
22:00	Back to the hotel. Overnight in Xi'an.

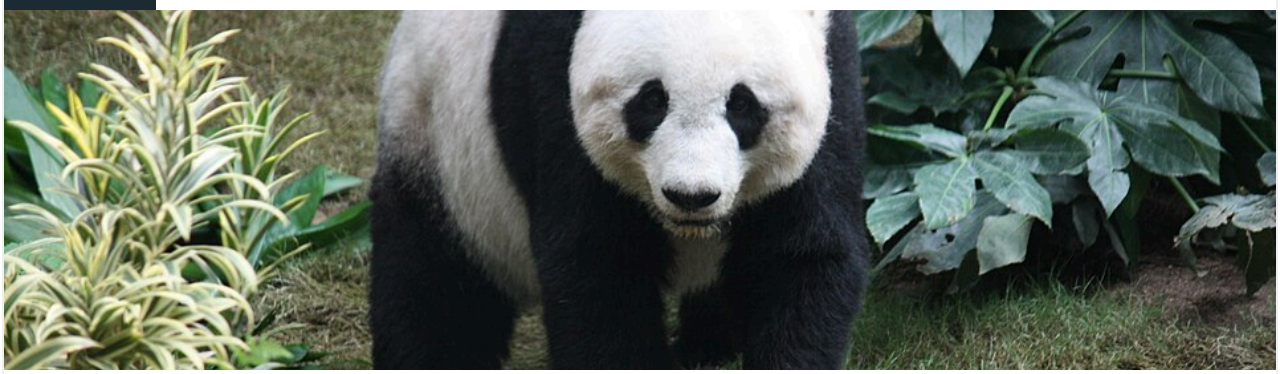
DAY 9 — Xi'an

On the road to Chengdu

07:30	Breakfast at the hotel and pack.
09:00	Free morning for a last stroll or souvenir shopping in Xi'an.
11:00	Check out; private transfer to the station / airport for the intercity leg to Chengdu.
13:00	Arrive Chengdu; check in or drop your bags at the hotel.
14:30	Afternoon orientation of Chengdu with your guide — A guided visit to a second major sight or palace complex..
18:30	Dinner in Chengdu — a celebrated local restaurant (your guide's pick).
20:30	Free evening. Overnight in Chengdu.

DAY 10 — Chengdu

Settle in & explore



07:30	Breakfast at the hotel.
08:30	Depart with your guide for this morning’s highlights.
09:15	A city-highlights drive with photo stops at panoramic viewpoints.
11:15	Visit a top museum or gallery with a local guide.
12:30	Lunch — a regional set-menu lunch at a local favourite.
14:00	A food crawl through a local market with tastings.
16:00	Free time for last-minute shopping.
17:30	Return to the hotel to freshen up; free time.

19:00	Dinner — a celebrated local restaurant (your guide's pick).
20:30	A riverside night cruise.
22:00	Back to the hotel. Overnight in Chengdu.

DAY 11

Chengdu

Full-day exploration

07:30	Breakfast at the hotel.
08:30	Depart with your guide for this morning’s highlights.
09:15	Cycle or walk Chengdu's riverside promenade and leafy boulevards.
11:15	Browse a bustling local market and its street food.
12:30	Lunch — a regional set-menu lunch at a local favourite.
14:00	A botanical garden or park and a relaxed boat ride.
16:00	A hidden temple or gallery away from the crowds.
17:30	Return to the hotel to freshen up; free time.
19:00	Dinner — a celebrated local restaurant (your guide's pick).
20:30	A quiet local eatery and an evening stroll.
22:00	Back to the hotel. Overnight in Chengdu.

DAY 12

Chengdu

Final morning & departure

07:30	Breakfast at the hotel and pack.
09:00	Final stroll or last souvenir shopping near the hotel.
11:00	Check out and settle any incidentals.
12:00	Private transfer to the airport / station; your guide assists with check-in.
—	End of services. Safe travels — thank you for travelling with WingPhoenix!

Getting around

Leg	Distance	Recommended	Approx. time
Shanghai → Beijing	1067 km	Domestic flight	2.5–3.5 h incl. airport
Beijing → Xi'an	905 km	Domestic flight	2.5–3.5 h incl. airport
Xi'an → Chengdu	628 km	High-speed rail	3.7 h by train

Times are door-to-door estimates; your trip designer confirms exact schedules and private transfers.

Before you go

- [ ] Passport valid for at least 6 months beyond your return date.
- [ ] Check your visa / visa-free days on our China visa-free checker before you fly.
- [ ] Link your international card to Alipay and WeChat Pay, and test a small payment.
- [ ] Install your China eSIM before departure and confirm it activates on landing.
- [ ] Buy travel insurance that covers your planned activities.
- [ ] Download offline maps and a translation app (with camera translate).
- [ ] Save your hotel addresses in Chinese to show taxi drivers.
- [ ] Keep WingPhoenix WhatsApp +86 180 3801 6100 for 24/7 on-trip support.

Packing list

Documents — **Passport (+2 copies), visa / visa-free proof, printed itinerary, insurance card, ID photos.**

Tech — **Phone, charger, power bank (≤100 Wh), universal adapter, earphones, eSIM QR code.**

Clothing — **Comfortable walking shoes, weather layers, sun hat, light rain jacket, modest wear for temples.**

Health — **Personal medication, motion-sickness tablets, hand sanitiser, plasters, any prescriptions.**

Money — **A card enabled for Alipay / WeChat Pay, plus some cash for small vendors.**

Misc — **Reusable bottle, day-pack, tissues, wet wipes, snacks, zip bags.**

What’s included

Included	**Trip design · English-speaking guide · Private transfers**
Add-ons	**Hotel booking · eSIM data · Ticket booking**

Practical information

- Visa: verify your visa-free days on our **China visa-free checker** before you fly.
- Best seasons: April–May and September–October are most comfortable; avoid the National Day holiday (Oct 1–7).
- Payments & data: set up Alipay / WeChat Pay before arrival and get a **China eSIM**.
- Emergencies: Police 110 · Ambulance 120 · Tourism hotline 12301 · WingPhoenix 24/7 WhatsApp +86 180 3801 6100.

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