

From the opulent and sprawling halls of the Forbidden City complex to intimate, timeworn Hutong communities, get to know the many faces of Chinese culture in Beijing. Participate in a tai chi lesson, savor a Peking duck dinner, and visit the greatest monument of all: the Great Wall. This man-made wonder began construction in the 3rd century B.C., and today it extends for more than 3,000 miles.

## YOUR EXPERIENCE INCLUDES:



Full-time Tour Director



**Sightseeing:** 4 sightseeing tours led by expert, licensed local guides *(5 with extension)*; 3 sightseeing tours led by your Tour Director; 1 walking tour



Entrances: Summer Palace; Forbidden City; Tiananmen Square; dragon boat ride (seasonal); tai chi lesson; Great Wall of China; tea ceremony; Temple of Heaven Park; calligraphy lesson; Hutong rickshaw tour; Yonghe Lamasery; school visit; Jingshan Park; with extension: Shanghai Tower; Jade Buddha Temple; Yu Garden



Personalized learning guide: Our personalized learning experience engages students before, during, and after tour, with the option to create a final, reflective project for academic credit.





All of the details are covered: Round-trip flights on major carriers; comfortable motorcoach; internal flights; 10 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms (12 with extension); breakfast and dinner daily (1 dinner with extension)





Anyone can see the world.

# YOU'RE GOING TO EXPERIENCE IT.

As you can see, your EF tour includes visits to the places you've learned about in school. That's a given. But it's so much more than that. Immersing yourself in new cultures—surrounded by the people, the language, the food, the way of life—creates inspirational moments that can't be listed in an itinerary. They can only be experienced.

And the experience begins long before you get your passport stamped and meet your Tour Director in your arrival city. It begins the moment you decide to go. Whether it's connecting with other travelers on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram, or delving deeper into your destinations with our personalized learning experience, the excitement will hit you long before you pack your suitcase.

When your group arrives abroad, everything is taken care of so you can relax and enjoy the experience. Your full-time Tour Director is with your group around the clock, handling local transportation, hotels, and meals while also providing their own insight into the local history and culture. Expert local guides will lead your group on sightseeing tours, providing detailed views on history, art, architecture, or anything you may have a question about.

When your journey is over and you're unpacking your suitcase at home, you'll realize the benefits of your life-changing experience do not end. They have just begun.

**@EFtours** I attribute my college semester abroad to the love for travel I discovered on an EF Tour in high school **#traveltuesday** 

- MELISSA, TRAVELER





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# What you'll experience on your tour

## Day 1: Fly overnight to China

## Day 2: Beijing

 Meet your Tour Director at the airport in Beijing, the capital of the People's Republic of China.
 During your stay, behold the opulence of its ancient temples, palaces, and gates.

#### Day 3: Beijing

- Take an expertly guided tour of Beijing.
- Visit the Summer Palace.
- Step back in time during your visit to the Forbidden City, whose grandeur is epitomized by the golden-roofed Imperial Palace. It is the largest palatial complex in the world.
- Visit Tiananmen Square, a site of worldwide cultural significance.
- Take a dragon boat ride (April-Oct).
- Participate in a tai chi lesson.
- Enjoy an authentic Peking duck dinner.

## Day 4: Beijing | Badaling

- Travel to Mutianyu.
- Visit the Great Wall of China. Construction of this 3,000-mile man-made marvel, used to defend the Chinese Empire against northern invaders, began in the third century B.C.
- Participate in a tea ceremony.

#### Day 5: Beijing

- Visit the Temple of Heaven Park.
- Participate in a calligraphy lesson.
- Take a guided walking tour of a Hutong neighborhood. These narrow, interconnected alleysways and courtyard homes date back to the 13th century.
- Grab a snack from a local street stall vendor.
- Take a Hutong rickshaw tour.
- Enjoy an authentic Chinese meal with Hutong families.

#### Day 6: Beijing

- See the Yonghe Lamasery, a multi-Pavilion
   Buddhist temple that merges Han Chinese and
   Tibetan styles.
- Explore the 798 Art Zone.
- Visit a local school (if in session).
- Enjoy a free evening, or
  - attend an acrobatics show.

#### Day 7: Beijing

- Stop for a photo at the 2008 Beijing Olympic sports complex.
- Take a walking tour of Jingshan Park with your Tour Director and enjoy a panoramic view of the Forbidden City.
- Enjoy free time to explore more of Beijing at your own pace.

#### Day 8: Depart for home

#### **9** 3-DAY TOUR EXTENSION

#### Day 8: Shanghai

- Take a high-speed train to Shanghai.
- Visit the Shanghai Tower.
- Enjoy time to explore the Bund at your own pace. Once considered the "Wall Street of the East," the Bund is a waterfront promenade offering a postcard-perfect view of Shanghai's famous skyline.

#### Days 9: Shanghai

- Take an expertly guided tour of Shanghai.
- Visit the Jade Buddha Temple. Sculpted out of white jade, these Buddhas were brought from Burma by a Chinese monk in the last century. One portrays Buddha experiencing Enlightenment, the other his transcendence into Nirvana.
- Stroll past goldfish ponds and admire the classical Chinese landscape in the Yu Garden.
- See Nanjing Lu, or Nanjing Road.

## Day 10: Depart for home

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-CHARLOTTE, PARENT OF TRAVELER



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