

2011 Colorado International School China Immersion Tour

12 Day China Itinerary (Beijing, Luoyang, Xi'an, and Shanghai)

Sunday 09/25 – Depart from Denver to Beijing

UA 869 Denver to San Francisco 8:08 am – 9:49 am

UA 889 San Francisco to Beijing 11:02 am – 2:20 pm (9/26)



Monday 09/26 – Arrive in Beijing – Home Stay

Today you will arrive in **Beijing**, transportation and guide will be at the airport to pick you up. You will then be transported to our opening dinner restaurant where you will try delicious **Peking Roasted Duck**. Here you will meet your host families which are arranged by your school and be transported to their houses.

(Peking Duck Dinner divided amongst the group and the Host families)



Tuesday 09/27 – Beijing International Broadcasting Visit!

Today you will attend **class for half a day** and then be transported to visit a local Radio Communications company in Beijing! This is a great opportunity to see a different side of China and at the same time you will **learn about how the broadcasting industry works in China**.
(L w/school, B & D w/host family)



Wednesday 09/28- Thursday 09/29 – Full School Days

In the mornings you will attend **classes at local school in Beijing** arranged by your school. Your host family will take you to school in the morning and pick you up in the afternoon. Each day you will have **classes with local students** and will be able to **make friends** with them. In the afternoons after school, you will return to your host families, where you will enjoy dinner and spend time with them while you **further immerse yourself with Chinese language and culture**.

(L w/school, B & D w/host family)



Friday 09/30 Beijing

In the morning you will visit the **Summer Palace**. The Summer Palace is the largest and best preserved **imperial garden** in existence in China. With over 3,000 buildings with a variety of palaces, gardens and other classical style architectural structures. In the afternoon you will visit **Peking University**, one of the most famous Universities in China, generally known as “Bei Da.” Peking University is the Harvard of



China and has hosted prominent influential Chinese leaders such as Chairman Mao Zedong.

(B, D w/host family, L on own, local guide can help find restaurant)



Saturday 10/01 Beijing

Today you will visit **Tiananmen Square, the Forbidden City**. All located in the center of Beijing. **Tiananmen Square** means *Gate of Heavenly Peace*. **The Forbidden City** was the Chinese imperial palace from the Ming Dynasty to the end of the Qing Dynasty. For almost five hundred years, it served as the home of the Emperor and his household, as well as the ceremonial and political center of Chinese government.

(B, D w/host family, L on own, local guide can help find restaurant)



Sunday 10/02 Beijing - Luoyang

Today you will visit the **Great Wall Juyongguan**. One of the fabled **Seven Wonders of the World**, the Great Wall is a massive engineering feat begun in the fifth century B.C. to defend the Chinese empire against nomads from the north. Afterwards you will visit the **Ming Dynasty Tombs** in which 13 dynasty emperors were buried in this carefully chosen area enclosed by the mountains in a pristine, quiet valley full of dark earth, tranquil water and other Feng Shui necessities. You will also enjoy a **visit to a local family** living near the Ming Tombs. At night you will take an **overnight train** to Luoyang!

Meals: L (B provided by host family, D on own local guide can help)



Monday 10/03 Luoyang

Today you will arrive in the city of Luoyang! First you will check into your hotel, and then you will visit the Shaolin Temple! The **Shaolin temple** is the place and origin of Zen Buddhism and the home of Chinese martial arts, known as **Shaolin Kungfu**! You will also enjoy a **Kungfu show** and visit the **Kungfu School**!

Meals: L (B on train or on own, D on own local guide can help)



Tuesday 10/04 Luoyang

Today you will visit **Longmen Cave Grottoes**! Located in the south of the city the Grottoes are regarded as one of the most famous stone inscriptions in all of China! The grottoes were started around the year 493 were continuously built during 400 years. In the afternoon, you will **see locals by visiting a village**.

Meals: B, L (D on own local guide can help)



Wednesday 10/05 Luoyang – Xi'an

Today you will take the **high speed train** to Xi'an! **Xi'an** a very historical city with over **2,000 years** of history! Upon arrival you will visit the **Terracotta Warriors** during the day! The **Terracotta Warriors** consist of Soldiers, Charioteers, Archers, Musicians, Generals, and Acrobats built nearly 2,000 years ago, which were buried in massive underground pits to accompany China's first emperor, **Qin Shi Huang Di**. At night you will return to Xi'an and enjoy a delicious **dumpling dinner**.

Meals: B, L, D



Thursday 10/06 Xi'an - Shanghai

In the morning you will visit the **Wild Goose Pagoda** which is one of the most famous Buddhist pagodas in China. The Pagoda was built in the Tang Dynasty. Afterwards you will visit and walk around the **Xi'an city wall**. This wall is the most complete city wall and was part of one of the largest military defense systems in the world. Afterwards you will visit the **Grand Mosque** one of China's oldest mosques, which was built during the Tang Dynasty. In the evening you will board the **train to Shanghai**.

Meals: B (L, D on own, local guide can help)



Friday 10/07 Shanghai

In the morning you will arrive in Shanghai. You will visit the **Bund**, Shanghai's famous waterfront and **Nanjing Road** Shanghai's most famous pedestrian shopping area. Here you can find a magnificent view of **Shanghai's skyline** and also houses old trading houses from the British, France, Germany and the US. You will visit the **Yu Garden**, the **Ancient city** and where Shanghai originated. Then you will visit the **Oriental Pearl TV Tower** for a birds-eye view of Shanghai, which can be seen from the bund.

(All meals on this day on your own, local guide can help)



Saturday 10/08 Shanghai / USA

In the morning, you will check out of your hotel and visit the **Zhujiajiao water town**. Zhujiajiao is a **traditional ancient water town** with more than **1,700 years of history**. The town has a vast water system of **canals and bridges** built during the Ming and Qing dynasties. In the afternoon you will bus to the airport and **fly to your next destination**.

Meals: B, L (D on your own, before your flight at the airport)

UA 878 Shanghai – Los Angeles 8:10 pm – 4:44 pm

UA 364 Los Angeles – Denver 6:34 pm – 9:43 pm **(Arrive 10/08)**





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Pricing:

Tour Price	International Airfare	Total
\$1375	\$900	\$2275

Prices are based on per person and double occupancy. **Pricing is for a group of 7 or more. If there are 7 or less, price may be subject to change.**

Prices include:

- 1) Local English speaking guides
- 2) International Airfare with United Airlines
- 3) Soft Sleeper Cabin Train from Beijing to Luoyang
- 4) High Speed Train from Luoyang to Xi'an
- 5) Soft Sleeper Cabin Train from Xi'an to Shanghai
- 6) Local transportation (not on full days where the students are in school)
- 7) Hostel accommodations in Xi'an
- 8) 3 star hotel accommodations in Luoyang and Shanghai
- 9) All first entrance fees
- 10) Meals – American/Chinese breakfast, Chinese lunch and dinner specified as B, L, D
- 11) Soft drink for each lunch and dinner
- 12) Water on the bus
- 13) All taxes, gas surcharge fees airport fees and standard hotel service charges

Prices do not include: Passport fees, China visa fees, personal expenses and travelers insurance.

Trip Registration Steps: Deadline September 9, 2011:

1. Please register for the trip online by **September 9, 2011** at: www.regonline.com/11CIS
2. Write a check for the total amount payable to: Colorado International School
Include Trip Cost, International Airfare and China Visa Fee (if needed).
3. Parents, please sign the parental wavier form.
4. Send parental wavier, and payment to the Colorado International School. All documents must be received by the school no later than September 9, 2011. You can also bring these to the school and deliver them personally.

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