



## China Photo Tour: 5-20 April 2008

Sydney photography tutor Dr. Zen Loy will lead a 16-day photography tour to China. The tour is fully escorted with local English speaking guides. The tour will have a bit more time for photography and you will have the opportunity to expand your photography skills. Come with your compact digital camera or dSLR. Non photographers are also most welcome to join the tour.

The tour includes:

**Shanghai** - the Bund, Pudong, Yu Garden, the Bazaar, Xintiandi, acrobatics show, night Shanghai cityscape. Studio workshop with 2 Chinese fashion models followed by a Photoshop/Lightroom session (or shopping tour for those not attending workshop).

**Huangshan** (Yellow Mountain: the inspiration of Chinese painters and poets) - tour, sunrise photography of Yellow Mountain.

**Guilin** (scenic river and limestone peaks) - Seven Star Park, Reed Flute caves, Longshen Rice terraces, local ethnic culture, Li River cruise.

**Hangzhou** - beautiful West Lake, Tea plantations, Lingyin Temple, Impressions show.

**Suzhou** (ancient water town) - canals, Administrator's house, Silk making, cultural show.

Cost of tour package is \$4318 per person, ex-Sydney, twin share; \$767 single supplement; land content only is \$3133.

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Bookings: China Holidays (02) 9283 7368 www.chinaholidays.com.au (tour CHT52230)

# ITINERARY

<b>CHINA PHOTO TOUR</b> <b>Shanghai, Huangshan, Guilin, Hangzhou, Suzhou</b>			
<b>Date</b>	<b>Itinerary</b>	<b>Accommodation</b>	<b>Meals</b>
<b>05 Apr Sat</b>	<p><b>Depart Sydney to Shanghai</b>  <b>China Eastern Airlines (direct flight)</b>  <b>11:50am / 7:10pm</b></p> <p>Own arrangements to the airport for departure flight to Shanghai. On arrival your guide will meet you at the airport and join you on the transfer to the hotel by Maglev train then by car to your hotel. Your luggage will travel separately in a car.</p>	<p><b>Royalton Hotel</b>  <b>(4 Star)</b>            1 x Standard Twin room</p>	
<b>06 Apr Sun</b>	<p><b>Shanghai</b>            After breakfast we will meet in the lobby and proceed to have a meeting (8.30-9am) in the hotel meeting room for a tour brief and welcome to everyone.</p> <p>We begin with a full day tour of Shanghai to see the old 1920s architecture of the Bund and a visit to the new and modern Pudong where you will go up Oriental Pearl Tower for amazing views of Shanghai. Visit the Yu Gardens and delight in the restored Ming garden design. The surrounding bazaar is famous for its delicious snacks then onto the hip Xintiandi where restaurants and shops are situated in restored traditional shikumen houses. Then out to dinner in the evening.</p>	<p><b>Royalton Hotel</b>  <b>(4 Star)</b>            1 x Standard Twin room</p>	<p><b>Breakfast</b>  <b>Lunch</b>  <b>Dinner</b></p>
<b>07 Apr Mon</b>	<p><b>Shanghai</b>            Today we have the opportunity for a wonderful workshop at a Studio for a Photo shoot of Shanghai models in fashion and traditional dress. 9-1pm.</p> <p>After lunch we transfer back to hotel for a seminar session on photo editing using Adobe Photoshop and Lightroom.</p> <p>For those not interested in the Photo Workshop we have a Shopping tour planned to some of the best markets in the city.</p> <p>Free time before meeting at the hotel lobby to go out for a Huangpu river cruise. Time is spent on the Bund side of the river taking photos of the Pudong view at night before going out to dinner.</p>	<p><b>Royalton Hotel</b>  <b>(4 Star)</b>            1 x Standard Twin room</p>	<p><b>Breakfast</b>  <b>Lunch</b>  <b>Dinner</b></p>

<p><b>08 Apr Tue</b></p>	<p><b>Shanghai</b> Own arrangements during the day. Perhaps visit the French concession or check out the sights and shops of Nanjing Lu, Shanghai's foremost shopping street. Shanghai is a great city to explore.</p> <p>Or take a day tour to Xitang, a beautifully preserved ancient water town – well worth a visit. Book this optional tour with China Holidays (A\$125.00)</p> <p>In the evening we meet in the lobby of the hotel to go out to dinner and see an Acrobatic show.</p>	<p><b>Royalton Hotel (4 Star)</b> 1 x Standard Twin room</p>	<p><b>Breakfast Dinner</b></p>
<p><b>09 Apr Wed</b></p>	<p><b>Shanghai to Huangshan (flight 8:35pm/9:35pm)</b> Free morning to explore Shanghai. Perhaps spend some time at the fabulous Shanghai museum or have a look at the town planning centre. Meet back at the hotel for an early dinner and then transfer to the airport for departure flight to Tunxi. On arrival the group will be transported to the hotel.</p>	<p><b>Huangshan International Hotel (4 Star)</b> 1 x Standard Twin room</p>	<p><b>Breakfast dinner</b></p>
<p><b>10 Apr Thu</b></p>	<p><b>Huangshan</b> In the morning we transfer to the Xihai Hotel on Mt Huangshan. The rest of the day to explore the famous 'Yellow Mountain' with your guide for wonderful photo opportunities.</p>	<p><b>Xihai Hotel (4 star)</b> 1 x Standard Twin room</p>	<p><b>Breakfast Lunch Dinner</b></p>
<p><b>11 Apr Fri</b></p>	<p><b>Huangshan</b> Catch the sunrise over Mt Huangshan for some great shots. After breakfast enjoy a full day tour on the mountain where you should have fantastic views of the patchwork paddy fields below.</p>	<p><b>Xihai Hotel (4 star)</b> 1 x Standard Twin room</p>	<p><b>Breakfast Lunch Dinner</b></p>
<p><b>12 Apr Sat</b></p>	<p><b>Huangshan to Guilin (via Hangzhou) (Flight – 2:40pm/4:40pm)</b> Enjoy the last of Mt Huangshan before transferring to Tunxi for some sightseeing and transfer to the airport. On arrival at Guilin, we transfer to the hotel.</p>	<p><b>Bravo Hotel (4 Star)</b> 1 x standard twin rooms</p>	<p><b>Breakfast Lunch Dinner</b></p>
<p><b>13 Apr Sun</b></p>	<p><b>Guilin</b> Guilin has for centuries been a favorite spot for artists and poets to seek inspiration. A half day sightseeing tour today will take you to Seven Star Park, Elephant Trunk Hill, Reed Flute Caves - all natural landscapes which have no comparisons in Australia. After lunch enjoy Guilin for yourself and wander the streets or take a look at the life on the river.</p>	<p><b>Bravo Hotel (4 Star)</b> 1 x standard twin rooms</p>	<p><b>Breakfast Lunch Dinner</b></p>
<p><b>14 Apr Mon</b></p>	<p><b>Guilin</b> Full day excursion to the Longshen Rice terraces (the Dragons backbone) where</p>	<p><b>Bravo Hotel (4 Star)</b> 1 x standard twin rooms</p>	<p><b>Breakfast Lunch Dinner</b></p>

	the paddy fields are cut into the steep landscape and local villages dot the countryside. The scenery here is a must to be captured with the camera.		
<b>15 Apr Tue</b>	<b>Guilin to Yangshou</b> Cruise down the Li river where you will have abundant photo opportunities of this unique landscape. Finish in Yangshuo, a cute old town where market life and local fishermen will offer great enjoyment and excellent photos. We stay the night in Yangshuo to enjoy dinner.	<b>Paradise resort Hotel (4 Star)</b> 1 x standard twin rooms	<b>Breakfast Lunch Dinner</b>
<b>16 Apr Wed</b>	<b>Yangshou to Guilin to Hangzhou (flight 4:00pm /5:30pm)</b> Transfer by road back to Guilin to catch the flight to Hangzhou. This evening enjoy the amazing show: Impressions West Lake.	<b>Zhejiang Grand Hotel (4 Star)</b> 1 x Standard Twin room	<b>Breakfast Lunch Dinner</b>
<b>17 Apr Thu</b>	<b>Hangzhou to Suzhou</b> Hangzhou is second only to Guilin for its famed scenery - although it is quite a different sight it is beautiful all the same. A full day city tour will take the group to the West Lake, a Tea Plantation, and the 700 year old Lingyin Temple. In the afternoon we will transfer to Suzhou by train for dinner.	<b>Nanlin Hotel (4 Star)</b> 1 x Standard Twin room	<b>Breakfast Lunch Dinner</b>
<b>18 Apr Fri</b>	<b>Suzhou</b> Suzhou is known for its silk production and classical Chinese gardens. Although modern construction has encroached a bit over time you can still easily find cobbled alleyways and ancient shop fronts along with canals and waterways for some great shots. We visit the Humble Administrator's Garden and Silk production tour during the morning. At 5pm we will have a debrief of the tour and review some of the groups photos at a local teahouse. After which we will enjoy a farewell dinner and cultural show.	<b>Nanlin Hotel (4 Star)</b> 1 x Standard Twin room	<b>Breakfast Lunch Dinner</b>
<b>19 Apr Sat</b>	<b>Suzhou to Shanghai airport to Sydney China Eastern Airlines (direct flight 6:15pm)</b> Free time during the day to explore Suzhou on your own. Meet back at the hotel at 12pm for lunch before we take the coach back to Shanghai airport for our departure.	<b>On board flight</b>	<b>Breakfast Lunch</b>
<b>20 Apr Sun</b>	<b>Arrive Sydney 10:00am</b>		
<b>Inclusions: Accommodation with meals, private vehicle transfers, day tours, photo workshop. International and domestic flights, China holidays escort within China.</b>			
<b>All prices are quoted in AUD</b>			

<b>Per Person Twin Share In China Only</b>	<b>\$3133.00 per person</b>
<b>Per Person Twin Share Include international airfare and Tax</b>	<b>\$4318.00 per person ex Sydney</b>
<b>Single supplement</b>	<b>\$767.00</b>
<b>Total Fare Due</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>China Holidays Terms and Conditions</b>	
<p>This quote is valid for 14 days from date of issue. Please note that all quotes are subject to change and availability. Please make sure you are aware of all the terms and conditions found in the China Holidays' brochure. Please inform us as soon as possible if you wish to make a booking. Once your booking is confirmed you will receive confirmation via fax or email.  <b>\$200 deposit per person is required within 7 days of confirmation to secure a booking and balance is due 45 day prior to departure</b></p>	
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**Please be aware of the visa requirement for all passengers entering China.  
Also note that all passengers entering Lhasa will further need a Permit.**

**Please note that tipping in China is highly recommended for Tour Guides, Drivers and most Hotels.**