

Beijing & Beyond

Beijing · Jinan — 9 Days

£2,895 pp

2 Travellers
Per person
based on twin share

£2,395 pp

3 Travellers
Per person
perfect family trip

£2,095 pp

4 Travellers
Per person
best group value

This journey offers a refined exploration of China, combining the imperial grandeur of Beijing with the tranquil, spring-fed landscapes of Jinan — a destination that reveals a slower, more poetic side of the country.

Begin in Beijing, where monumental landmarks such as the Forbidden City and the Great Wall showcase the scale and symbolism of imperial China. Travel onward by high-speed train to Jinan, known as the “City of Springs,” where water flows through historic streets, shaping both the landscape and daily life.

This route is designed to balance history, nature, and cultural depth, offering a more intimate and immersive understanding of China beyond its major metropolitan centres.

Key Experiences

- Explore the Forbidden City and walk through centuries of imperial history
- Stand on the Great Wall, one of the world’s greatest architectural achievements
- Discover Jinan, where natural springs shape the entire city landscape
- Experience traditional Shandong culture through historic streets and local life
- Wander through canals, lakes and willow-lined paths in the City of Springs
- Travel seamlessly via high-speed rail (up to 300 km/h)

From imperial palaces to living waterways — this journey captures the contrast between power and tranquillity at the heart of northern China.



Day by Day Itinerary

Day 1 — Departure from the UK

Fly from the UK to Beijing: Begin your journey with an international flight to China.

Overnight on board: Travel east and rest during the flight.

Day 2 — Arrive in Beijing : Temple of Heaven & City Life

Arrive in Beijing and transfer to your hotel: Meet your private guide and settle into the city.

Visit the Temple of Heaven: Explore the historic site where emperors once prayed for good harvests.

Explore Wangfujing Street: Experience a lively mix of traditional food stalls and modern shops.

Day 3— Imperial Beijing: Forbidden City & Summer Palace

Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City: Walk through the historic political centre of imperial China.

Explore the Summer Palace: Discover a vast garden landscape set around Kunming Lake.

Walk through Nanluoguxiang: Experience traditional hutong life with cafés and local culture.

Day 4 — The Great Wall & Olympic Park

Mutianyu Great Wall: Walk along one of the best-preserved sections with panoramic mountain views.

Visit the Olympic Park: Explore the modern complex built for the 2008 Games, including the Bird’s Nest Stadium.

Return to the city: Transfer back after a full day of sightseeing.

Day 5 – Beijing at Leisure

Free time in Beijing: Explore at your own pace, visit museums, cafés or local neighbourhoods.

Optional experiences: Discover a more personal and relaxed side of the capital.

Day 6 – Beijing to Jinan by High-Speed Train

Take the high-speed train to Jinan: Travel to the “City of Springs.”

Explore Qushuiting Street and Daming Lake: Walk through canals, bridges and traditional neighbourhoods.

Settle into Jinan: Enjoy a slower rhythm of life upon arrival.

Day 7 – Jinan: Springs & Old City Life

Visit Baotu Spring: See the famous “No.1 Spring under Heaven.”

Explore Wulongtan Park: Discover interconnected springs and peaceful gardens.

Visit Black Tiger Spring and Jiefang Pavilion: Experience local life around historic waterways.

Day 8 – Return to Beijing

High-speed train back to Beijing: Travel from Jinan to the capital.

Free time in the city: Relax, shop, or revisit favourite places.

Day 9 – Departure

Transfer to the airport: Travel to the airport for your return flight.

Fly back home: Conclude your journey through China.



What's Included



Private Guide

English-speaking guide and private driver throughout the journey



4★ Hotels

Carefully selected 4-star hotels



High-Speed Rail

Standard class high-speed train tickets between cities



Entrance Tickets

All listed attraction entrance tickets included



Meals Included

Breakfast + Lunches throughout the trip



24/7 Support

Round-the-clock assistance from our bilingual team