

# Beautiful Guilin Landscape 10 Days

**Limited Seats!**

From **\$1399** /p Airfare & Taxes All Included

Guilin, famous as "the finest scenery under heaven", its karst landscape and idyllic countryside are a picture of timeless beauty. Visit the Great Wall and unfold the mystery of the Forbidden City in China's capital Beijing, walk along the most scenic Longji Rice Terraces trail, tour historically and culturally rich Yangshuo old town, relax on a bamboo raft on the calm Li River to enjoy the peaceful countryside.

Depart Canada	Arrive Canada	Package Price
Feb 16	Feb 25	\$1,499
Mar 01	Mar 10	\$1,399
Mar 08	Mar 17	\$1,499
Mar 29	Apr 07	\$1,499

## Day 1 Departure from Canada

## Day 2 Arriving Beijing

*ChunHuiYuan Hot Spring Hotel or equivalent*

When you arrive in Beijing, the local representative will transfer you to hotel and the rest of the day is yours to explore and relax.

## Day 3 Beijing (B)

After breakfast, visit the Tiananmen Square, which is a city square in the centre of Beijing, China, named after the Tiananmen ("Gate of Heavenly Peace") located to its north, separating it from the Forbidden City. Visit the Forbidden City, the former seat of the emperors throughout the Ming and Qing dynasties. It is a true architectural masterpiece and home to the National Palace Museum.

Optional banquet lunch (USD\$35/person) featuring the famous "PEKING DUCK"

Take the afternoon Authentic Old Beijing Tour with Temple of Heaven, Hutong Tour and Dinner at \$79/person. TEMPLE OF HEAVEN, used by the emperors from the Ming and Qing dynasties for ceremonies honoring the god of harvests. Then take a famous rickshaw HUTONG TOUR & Local Family Visit, this package also includes a traditional Beijing Zhajiangmian ("Fried Sauce noodles") meal at a local restaurant.

## Day 4 Beijing (B)

Today's highlight is an excursion to the majestic Great Wall (Juyongguan), one of the "Seven Wonders of the World"! Then tour the iconic "Beijing 2008 Olympic Center"; which includes the famous Bird's Nest and Water Cube. Visit one of the largest Jade Exhibitions in Asia enroute. After lunch, see skilled artisans work at a Cloisonné Factory.

Tonight, you can choose to attend an optional large scale dramatic musical "The Golden Mask Dynasty" show (USD\$50/person).

## Day 5 Beijing - Guilin (B)

Start your tour to the SUMMER PALACE, a former royal retreat and now a lovely oasis within the city of Beijing. Then visit a CHINESE HERBAL INSTITUTE to learn about traditional Chinese medicine.

Continue with optional tour to Wangfujing Snack Cultural Experience with lunch (USD\$39). Stroll on Wangfujing Pedestrian Street is a unique and fruitful experience. The 810-meter walking street is packed with shops, stores, and restaurants including several big shopping malls.

Fly to Guilin tonight. Your tour guide will greet you at the airport arrival hall and then transfer you to your deluxe hotel for a good night's rest. With its name translating to "Forest of Sweet Osmanthus", Guilin has long been renowned for its unique scenery, amazing karst landscapes and rich ethnic cultures.

## Day 6 Guilin (B)

After breakfast, visit Rong Shan Lake Scenic Area. It is located in the center of Guilin city and is consisted of two lakes – Shan Lake on the east side of Yang





Bridge and Rong Lake on the west. The Scenic Area includes a number of attractions around its shores, including pavilions, statues, the quaint 'Twin Bridges', the ancient South Gate and the 800-year-old banyan tree after which the lake takes its name. Then, visit the Guilin Tea Research Institute to see tea plantation and learn knowledge about tea making process and tea ceremony. In the evening, you may join our optional Night Cruise of the Four Lakes (USD \$ 50 per person), which also includes dinner and the Cormorant fishing demonstration.

### Day 7 Guilin (B)

Today, have free time to explore Guilin by your own or join our optional day trip to Dragon's Backbone Rice Terraces (USD \$115 per person). The terraced fields are built along the slope winding from the riverside up to the mountain top, between 600 to 800 metres above sea level. The Dragon's Backbone Rice Terraces are the culmination of both the profound wisdom and strenuous labor of the Zhuang people.

It is said, 'Where there is soil, there is a terrace', be it in the valley, with swift flowing river to the mountains summit with its swirling cloud cover, or from bordering verdant forest to the cliff walls. Even though the Dragon's Backbone Rice Terraces is large, it is made up of numerous patches no more than 1 mu (about 0.16 acres). The smaller ones like snails while the bigger one like towers. The outline is very smooth with gradients between 26 degrees and 35 degrees.

### Day 8 Yangshuo (B)

Head to Yangshuo after breakfast. Visit a silk store to learn silk production process and buy souvenirs on the way. Upon arrival, walk along the 1,400-year-old West Street of Yangshuo. After that, enjoy a relaxing rafting along the Li River and enjoy. Then, drive to a local village and visit a family to get to know more about the life style of the local people. You may enjoy an optional show tonight, Impression Liu San Jie, a large scale ethnic performance over the Li River, at your own expense (USD \$50 per person).

### Day 9 Guilin - Shanghai (B)

After breakfast, transfer to the airport to board your flight to Shanghai. Transfer to hotel and free at leisure today.

### Day 10 Shanghai Departure (B)

After breakfast, transfer to the airport to board your flight home.

### Optional Programs: (per person)

- Beijing: Peking Roast Duck lunch USD\$35
- Beijing: Temple of Heaven, Hutong Tour + Dinner USD\$79
- Beijing: Golden Mask Dynasty show USD\$50
- Beijing: Wangfujing Snack Cultural Experience with Lunch USD\$39
- Guilin: Night Cruise of the Four Lakes USD\$50
- Guilin: Dragon's Backbone (Longji) Rice Terraces USD\$115
- Guilin : Impression Liu San Jie performance USD\$50



### Price Guide:

Price is based on twin share accommodation; Triple rate same as double; No child discounts; Tour prices are subject to change without prior notice. Please check with your travel agent or website for the latest information.

### Price Includes:

- International airfare and taxes from Toronto/Vancouver (taxes \$480)
- Domestic airfare or train tickets as indicated in the itinerary
- 4 star hotel accommodations or equivalent
- Airport transfers
- Daily hotel breakfasts
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary
- Sightseeing as per itinerary in A/C motor coach
- Service of English-speaking tour guide
- Entrance fees per itinerary

### Price Does Not Includes:

- Prepaid Tipping: USD\$100 per person
- Chinese visa fee
- Insurance of any kind
- Personal expenditures

### Special terms:

\* Optional programs are hand-picked highly recommended cultural experiences. You may pre-book them before you go or book locally with tour guide. Tour guide accept only cash payment locally.

\* Several shopping excursions are arranged during the tours. A minimum amount of time (60 mins) must be spent at each shopping site. However, there is no obligation to purchase anything.

For those who are not very keen on shopping, visits to shopping sites should be treated as cultural learning experiences as all the products including jade, silk, tea, etc are deeply ingrained in the Chinese culture and well worth learning.

\* Please note, this is a discounted package tour, a combination of a guided tour and hotel accommodation. We will charge full traveling costs if the traveler only wishes to use a certain aspect of the package, such as hotel only. Skipping scheduled itinerary are not allowed and will be considered as breach of tour booking contract, your remaining tours, hotels will be cancelled by without any further notice.

\* Nexus Holidays reserve the right to adjust the sequence of the trip.

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