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Wonders of China & the Yangtze River

with Optional 4-Night Hong Kong & Macau Post Tour Extension

April 17 – May 2, 2020



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Wonders of China Informational Meeting:

Date: March 5, 2019

Time: 4:30 PM

Location: Chateau Hotel & Conference Center


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16 Days • 35 Meals: 14 Breakfasts, 12 Lunches, 9 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Tiananmen Square, Forbidden City, The Great Wall, Temple of Heaven, Rickshaw Tour, Hutongs, Xian, Terracotta Warriors, Yangtze River Cruise, Three Gorges Dam, Chengdu, Giant Panda Breeding Research Base, Shanghai, Acrobatics Show, Yuyuan Garden

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

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| Day 1 | Overnight Flight |
| Days 2 – 5 | Grand Gongda Jianguo Hotel , Beijing |
| Days 6, 7 | Grand Dynasty Culture Hotel, Xian |
| Days 8 – 11 | Century Cruises, Chongqing |
| Days 12, 13 | Chengdu Tianfu Sunshine Hotel, Chengdu |
| Days 14, 15 | Hongqiao Jin Jiang Hotel Shanghai, Shanghai |
| <i>On some dates alternate hotels may be used.</i> | |



Exploring the Rivers of the World: Collette's River Cruises are a slower, more intimate way to explore the world. These adventures, on small 4-star vessels, are an easy way to travel through the world's beautiful waterways. Plus, when you step off your ship with a Tour Manager by your side, you'll truly come to know the people and places along the river.

Day 1: Friday, April 17, 2020 Overnight Flight Set out on a journey that takes you to Beijing, Xian, Chengdu and Shanghai. Your adventure also includes a 4-night cruise on the captivating Yangtze River.

Day 2: Saturday, April 18, 2020 Beijing, China - Tour Begins Arrive in the ancient capital of China. As the political center of China for the past 800 years, and the world's second most populous city, Beijing is rich in history with both modern and traditional architecture.

Day 3: Sunday, April 19, 2020 Beijing We begin our day with a **stroll through iconic Tiananmen Square**. Afterwards, set out to discover the Forbidden City, an awe-inspiring 15th-century complex of palaces, courtyards and gardens that were once the home of the Ming and Qing emperors. The remainder of your day is at leisure. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Monday, April 20, 2020 Beijing Today's destination is the **Great Wall of China**, one of the world's most incredible wonders. Learn about the wall's history before taking a memorable walk on the Juyongguan section, one of the most famous passes along this epic structure. After this bucket list event, visit a jade museum to learn about the jade-making process. Finally, return to the city, driving past the Olympic Village. (B, L)

Day 5: Tuesday, April 21, 2020 Beijing Your day begins at the spiritual Temple of Heaven (a UNESCO World Heritage site), a complex of buildings that symbolizes the connection between the earth and heaven. Afterwards, take a rickshaw ride through the hutongs, the traditional alleys of Beijing. Meet a local family and enjoy a dumpling-making class before a traditional calligraphy lesson. Then, share a simple lunch with them. Later, take part in a traditional Chinese tea ceremony. **Tonight, dine on delicious Peking Duck**, a favorite of the emperors. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Wednesday, April 22, 2020 Beijing - Xian Fly to the ancient city of Xian where the legendary Silk Road comes to an end. This evening, dine on delicious Shui Jiao dumplings. (B, L, D)

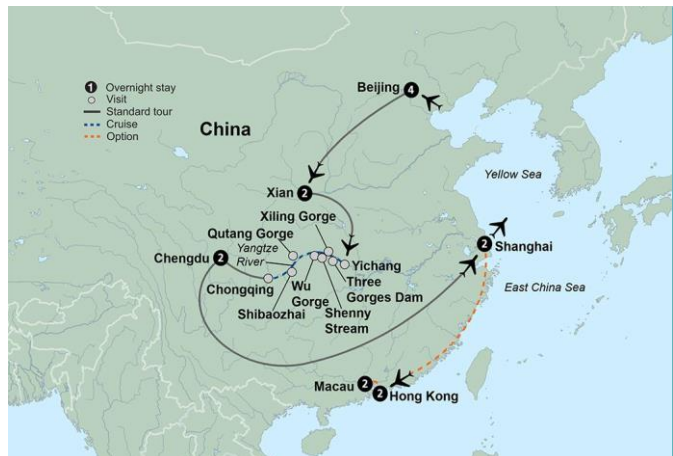
Day 7: Thursday, April 23, 2020 Xian Today, **explore the incredible excavation site of the Terracotta Warriors**. This vast clay army of 8,000 soldiers was created to guard China's first emperor in the afterlife. You'll be amazed at the detail – each statue has a different face. Next, visit the Xian Arts and Ceramic exhibition center to see life-sized models of the warriors being made. At lunch enjoy a Xian specialty – hand-pulled noodles – with a demonstration on how they are made. Later, enjoy a walk on the Ancient City Wall of Xian. (B, L)

Day 8: Friday, April 24, 2020 Xian - Yichang - Board Cruise Ship After a short flight to Yichang, **board your ship for a 4-night cruise up the Yangtze River**. Relax as this exciting leg of your journey gets underway. (B, D)

Day 9: Saturday, April 25, 2020 Cruising - Three Gorges Dam - Xiling Gorge Begin your day with a tai chi lesson on the sundeck as we sail towards the dramatic Xiling Gorge, the longest section of the Three Gorges. Discover the state-of-the-art site, Three Gorges Dam, the world's largest hydroelectric project. Tonight, **enjoy the Captain's welcome dinner and show**. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Sunday, April 26, 2020 Cruising - Shennv Stream - Wu Gorge - Qutang Gorge Take in the tranquil surroundings on a ride up the remote Shennv Stream in traditional pea boats. Upon returning to the ship, enjoy the majestic vistas as we sail through Wu Gorge, known for its 12 forest-covered peaks. This afternoon, **continue on past the dramatic cliffs that surround the Qutang Gorge**. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Monday, April 27, 2020 Cruising - Shibaozhai Arrive at Shibaozhai (Precious Stone Fortress). This imposing hill along the banks of the river is adorned with a 9-story red pagoda. You may



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climb the stairs to the top for a picture perfect view of the river and surrounding countryside. (B, L, D)

Day 12: Tuesday, April 28, 2020 Chongqing - Disembark Cruise Ship - Chengdu We disembark this morning in the mountain city of Chongqing and travel to Chengdu, the capital of the Sichuan Province. Spend time on your own strolling through its ancient streets. Come to know the leisurely lifestyle and teahouse culture that make this city so captivating. Tonight, sample the fresh, bold flavors of the local Sichuan cuisine. (B, L, D)

Day 13: Wednesday, April 29, 2020 Chengdu Your morning begins with a **visit to the Giant Panda Breeding Research Base**. Learn how China's national treasure is being brought back from the edge of extinction. Your guided tour allows you the rare opportunity to see the Giant Panda in its natural environment. The sanctuary is also home to the rare Red Panda. Enjoy an afternoon visit to the Du Fu Thatched Cottage, the former home to the poet known as the "Shakespeare of China." End your day by exploring Jinli Ancient Street with its traditional-style buildings. (B, L)

Day 14: Thursday, April 30, 2020 Chengdu - Shanghai Board a flight to Shanghai, the economic capital of the People's Republic of China. This bustling city's futuristic skyline will leave you speechless. Experience the modern side of China as you **take the super-fast Maglev train** into central Shanghai. Later this evening prepare to be amazed at a Chinese acrobatics show. (B, L)

Day 15: Friday, May 1, 2020 Shanghai Enjoy a sightseeing tour of Shanghai. Famous for its impressive colonial buildings, you'll feel as though you have returned to 19th century Europe. Explore Old Town's narrow streets and relax in the tranquil Yuyuan Garden before discovering ancient Chinese art and historical treasures during

a visit to the Shanghai Museum. Set out for the waterfront district, known as the Bund, which runs along the Huangpu River. **Enjoy lunch at a celebrated local restaurant** known for its *xiao long bao* soup dumplings. Then explore the past as we visit a silk museum. Later, celebrate your adventure with a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. (B, L, D)

Day 16: Saturday, May 2, 2020 Shanghai - Tour Ends Your adventure comes to an end today. (B)

PLEASE NOTE:

Book Now rates valid until Oct 18, 2019, valid on air inclusive packages only.

IDENTIFICATION

Passports and visas are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity from date of return home. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that our guests traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

A visa is required for this tour at your expense. The approximate visa cost is \$140 USD. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. Visit www.travel.state.gov (the U.S. State Department) for the latest details with regard to passports and visa requirements.

All guests will be confirmed in Balcony cabins during the cruise portion of the tour.

Triple and child accommodations are not available.

Itinerary is subject to change due to unforeseen changes in water levels and other circumstances that may arise along the waterways. These changes may result in certain sites from the original itinerary being missed during the trip; however, every effort will be made to substitute for another attraction if possible.



Gratuities for cabin stewards, bus boys and waiters on board the ship are not included.

Coffee or tea is included with all meals. Bottled water and juice are included at breakfast. Bottled water and a soft drink are included with lunches and dinners.

The order of sightseeing may change to best utilize your time on tour.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

One bottle of water is included, per person, per night at all hotels. Additional water will be provided while sightseeing.

Meals on board the ship are a mix of Western and Chinese cuisine.

This tour includes moderate physical activity. The itinerary blends some longer days with shorter days and more leisure time. Walking tours, as well as walking slightly longer distances, up stairs or on uneven walking surfaces, should be expected.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

The trans-Pacific and internal flights are not included in the land price of your tour. These flights need to be arranged and purchased separately if you arrange your own air. Internal flights are included with the air portion of your tour if you purchase air through us. Internal flights that are purchased through us will be ticketed and distributed on tour by your Tour Manager.

A deposit of \$750 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of October 11, 2019 are based upon availability. Final payment due by December 20, 2019. Deposits are refundable up until October 18, 2019. CST#2006766-20 UBN#601220855 Nevada Sellers of Travel Registration No. 2003-0279



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DEPARTURE DATE: April 17, 2020

TOUR: Wonders of China & the Yangtze River
GROUP NAME: Direct Travel

Name of Passenger:

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Available Options

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.

Xian



Tang Dynasty Dinner and Show

\$110 USD

Relive the glory and grandeur of the Tang Dynasty with a performance at the opulent Tang Dynasty Theater and Restaurant. Through music, dance and lavish costumes, highly gifted performers celebrate the history of Xian, a cultural crossroads on the Silk Road where exotic cultures blend beautifully with the ancient Tang culture. Prior to the dance performance, feast on Cantonese cuisine, prepared by internationally-acclaimed chefs. *Duration: Approximately 4 hours.* Please note a minimum of 10 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

Beijing

Beijing Kung Fu Show with Dinner

\$120 USD

Enjoy a lavish multi-course dinner at one of Beijing's top restaurants, then proceed to Beijing's renowned Red Theatre for a performance of "The Legend of Kung Fu." The story tells of a young boy who dreams of becoming a Kung Fu master and attaining enlightenment, and is a riveting display of music, dance and martial arts. The show made its first appearance on the Beijing stage in 2004, and has become a world-class attraction. *Duration: Approximately 3 hours.* Please note a minimum of 2 passengers is required. Transportation is included.



TRAVEL DATE: 4/17/2020 TERRITORY: M7
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YOUR INFORMATION:

Clearly print your full name (first/middle/last) as it appears on your government issued travel documentation.

IMPORTANT: In order to avoid any unnecessary change fees, it is imperative that all guest names are entered correctly from the start. The information below must be the legal name and be 100% identical to the ID being used to travel <passport/driver's license> including middle names or suffixes <Jr, Sr>.

First: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____ Suffix: _____

Nickname: _____ Gender: () Male () Female Date of Birth: month _____ day _____ year _____

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Passport Number: _____ Expiration Date: (month/day/year) _____ Date of Issuance: (month/day/year) _____

City, State, Country of Issuance: _____ Citizenship: _____

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Air Seat Request: () Aisle () Window () Next To Traveling Companion

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TRAVEL PROTECTION: () Yes, I wish to purchase travel protection \$385 () No, I decline

If you choose not to purchase Collette's Waiver Insurance Plan, you will incur penalties for changes and cancellations. Travel Protection Payment is due with first deposit. The Waiver Fee does not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual's traveling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. The single supplement will be deducted from the refund of the person who cancels. (There is coverage under Part B which includes a single supplement benefit of \$1,000 for certain covered reasons. See Part B for details.)

EXTENSION: I wish to purchase "4-Night Hong Kong & Macau" () Yes () No

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| ✓ | Option | Price Per Person (USD) |
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| | Tang Dynasty Dinner and Show | 110.00 |
| | Beijing Kung Fu Show with Dinner | 120.00 |

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