

TRAVELBOUND

EDUCATION



TAILOR-MADE EDUCATIONAL TOURS FOR SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

CHINA

SAMPLE ITINERARY

SOCIAL SCIENCE TOUR

THREE REASONS TO CHOOSE TRAVELBOUND EDUCATION

1. WE HELP YOU ORGANISE YOUR SCHOOL TOUR

Your role as tour leader can seem daunting (especially on top of your busy job as a teacher), so we will provide you with any of the following items to optimize your tour launch.

- Step-by-Step launch process (how to get your trip off the ground)
- Letter to parents template (you can just fill in the blanks)
- Sister school partnerships (We can help connect the dots for you)
- Posters (to advertise your trip)
- Risk Assessments (to help you complete any necessary paperwork)
- PowerPoint Presentation (promote your destination!)
- Fundraising information (to help families kick-start their campaigns)

2. WE HAVE PROVEN EXPERTSE IN TRAVEL

Every year 20,000 happy, worldly and educationally enriched students return from subject related tours which Travelbound Education has helped custom build for each school. We're deeply proud of our solid reputation built from over 25 years in the travel education industry. Experience which we use to provide personal, friendly and expert service, which helps make your tour idea a reality.

3. OUR COMMITMENT TO SAFETY AND SECURITY

- **Safety Management Systems** – Our risk assessments are carried out using reliable, accredited and independently verified resources. This audit process is used for all accommodation, excursions and transport providers.
- **On-tour representation (with 24/7 support)** – A Travelbound representative will meet you in-country, and when on tour you will have access to a 24-hour emergency duty office to speak with highly trained staff.
- **Financial Security** - As part of the world's largest leisure company, TUI Travel PLC, Travelbound provides financial protection to all school groups and further, we are fully ATOL bonded.
- **Worldwide offices, global reach** – UK, Australia, New Zealand, Asia, Middle East and USA
- **Responsible travel** – It is our responsibility as an educational tour operator to consider the environment, economy and culture of our destinations as of paramount importance, and our very own eco-tourism specialist is dedicated to help reduce our impact.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

This tour is a mini-project, and to give this project the best chance of success:

1. **Take 10-minutes to review this itinerary** and let us know of any amendments (or ideas!) to improve it.
2. **Confirm an Itinerary and provisional Departure Date** to allow the opportunity for Travelbound to create a customized quote that fits your school criteria.
3. **Money matters...so build in a buffer** between the amount per student and your final number (Use this to buy additional meals, pay for public transport or shout the students a special treat in-country!).
4. **Raise interest with students and families** allowing maximum time for families to get on board.
5. **Confirm your booking:** Contact us to confirm student interest with completed booking forms and provisional deposits to lock in your quoted amount.
6. **Coordinate the tour:** Your tour coordinator will be your main point of contact to discuss the finer details of your trip. They will forward a confirmation pack and book all the components of your tour ensuring a trip of a lifetime.

ITINERARY- China

Day 1 Meal Inclusions: <i>Dinner</i>	AUCKLAND → HONG KONG → BEIJING <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet at Auckland Airport and depart on your flight to Beijing via Hong Kong • Meet Guide at Airport and coach transfer to Hotel • Check in at Hotel and have dinner <i>Overnight Beijing</i>
Day 2 Meal Inclusions: <i>Breakfast</i>	BEIJING Breakfast at Hotel before meeting guide for a coach transfer to day excursions. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tiananmen Square- Home to the student led demonstrations regarding anxieties over the country's future, the number of civilian deaths in this area are estimated in the thousands. • Forbidden City- Now housing the palace museum, it used to be the home of emperors and their households, as well as home to ceremonial and political gatherings of the Chinese government for over 500 years. • Summer Palace- With its ornamental gardens, lake and characteristic pavilions, this beautifully preserved section covers over 2.9km. <i>Overnight Beijing</i>
Day 3 Meal Inclusions: <i>Breakfast</i>	BEIJING Breakfast at Hotel before meeting guide for a coach transfer to day excursions. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Great Wall of China- The 2000 year old, 6350km long Great Wall has many sections with Juyongguan being one of the best three. Famous for its history of military stronghold, it is a popular but not an overly crowded section. • Olympic Park- Constructed for the 2008 Olympic Games, this stops allows students to see top attractions such as the "Birds Nest" National Stadium. • Chinese Tea Ceremony- Students will have the opportunity to learn how tea is prepared, how teas tastes, and the occasions in which it is consumed in Chinese culture. <i>Overnight Beijing</i>
Day 4 Meal Inclusions: <i>Breakfast</i>	BEIJING---XIAN Breakfast at Hotel before meeting guide for a coach transfer to day excursions. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Temple of Heaven- An imperial complex of religious buildings covering over 2.7 km of parkland. With great use of symbolism and culture within the surrounding buildings, this is China's largest complex of ancient sacrificial buildings. • Zoo to visit the Panda- An opportunity for students to visit the native animal of China at the world famous Beijing Zoo. • Hutong walking tour- With locals saying that the real culture of Beijing lies within the hutongs and courtyards, this is the opportunity to explore the narrow lanes originated during the Yan Dynasty. • Wangfujing Street- A heavily pedestrianized area of Beijing, this is one of the most famous shopping streets in China. Coach Transfer to Train Station <i>Overnight train to Xian</i>
Day 5 Meal Inclusions: <i>Breakfast</i> <i>Dinner</i>	XIAN <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrive by train and coach transfer to hotel for breakfast • Tangbo Museum with calligraphy lessons- This museum includes collections of ancient paintings exhibited in historical sequence, as well as an opportunity for a professional calligraphy lesson. • Big Wild Goose Pagoda • Ancient City Wall- Also known as fortifications of Xi'an, it is one of the oldest, largest and best preserved Chinese city walls. • Dumpling Banquet Coach transfer back to Hotel <i>Overnight Xian</i>

Day 6 Meal Inclusions: <i>Breakfast</i>	XIAN---SHANGHAI Breakfast and check out of hotel for coach transfer. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terra-Cotta Warriors Workshop- Students have the opportunity to experience how terracotta is made and sculpted. • Terra- Cotta Warriors Museum – sculpted to guard Emperor Qin upon his death, the sculptures depicting armies were only discovered in 1974. • Local village visit • Coach Transfer to Train Station <i>Overnight train to Shanghai</i>
Day 7 Meal Inclusions: <i>Breakfast</i> <i>Lunch</i>	SHANGHAI Arrive in Shanghai and transfer to hotel for breakfast and bag drop off. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The bund- Enjoy a walking tour with views of famous European architecture. Originally an area of British settlement, this was a major financial hub of East Asia. • Cookery lesson- This traditional cooking lesson is a great opportunity for students to try local foods and learn traditional cooking techniques for dishes such as spring rolls, wontons and Chow Mein. • Yu Garden- As the most famous garden in Shanghai, located in the heart of Shanghai's old city, this was created over a timeframe of 20 years in the hopes to create a space of peace and comfort. <i>Overnight in Shanghai</i>
Day 8 Meal Inclusions: <i>Breakfast</i>	SHANGHAI Breakfast at hotel before a coach transfer to your day activity. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shanghai Disneyland <i>Overnight in Shanghai</i>
Day 9 Meal Inclusions: <i>Breakfast</i> <i>Dinner</i>	SHANGHAI Breakfast at hotel before a coach transfer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jade Buddha Temple- the temple was built to keep two jade Buddha statues which had been brought from Burma by a monk named Huigen. The temple was destroyed during the revolution that overthrew the Qing Dynasty. Fortunately the statues were saved and a new temple was built on the present site in 1928. • Silk Factory-This factory visit will enlighten students about the process of silk production, a historic and traditional industry in China. The tour starts with information about how silk worms are cultivated, and the extraction process. Visitors then learn about how the thread is spun and then used on a silk reeling mill for textiles and embroidery. • Peking Duck Dinner • Acrobatic show: The Shanghai Acrobatic Troupe, established in 1951 is one of the best in China. It frequently tours internationally and performs routinely at Shanghai and other cities in China. Students can enjoy gravity-defying contortionism, juggling, uni cycling, chair-stacking, and plate-spinning acts. <i>Overnight in Shanghai</i>
Day 10 Meal Inclusions: <i>Breakfast</i>	SHANGHAI → HONG KONG → AUCKLAND Breakfast at hotel before a coach transfer to the airport. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Depart Shanghai for Auckland via Hong Kong

INCLUSIONS

- ✓ Return economy flights
- ✓ Return airport transfers from the arrival airport to your hotel
- ✓ All accommodation
- ✓ All transport as outlined in the itinerary
- ✓ Meals as outlined in the itinerary
- ✓ Admission to all activities and attractions as outline in the itinerary
- ✓ Information on resorts, hotels and excursions with guidebooks and maps available on request
- ✓ 24 hour emergency back-up and support
- ✓ Kiwi Holidays Travel Insurance

EXTRAS TO BUDGET FOR

- Visas (if required)
- Transport to and from Auckland Airport
- Meals and drinks not included in the itinerary
- Drinks - water is provided with meals. Soft drinks and juices at extra cost
- Additional excursions and activities not mentioned in the itinerary
- Spending money – souvenirs and extras

ORGANISING YOUR STUDY TOUR IN 7 EASY STEPS



1. Itinerary Planning
2. Launch
3. Booking
4. Documents Collecting and Tour Prep
5. Confirming
6. Departure
7. Return Meeting

AMMENDMENTS AND CANCELLATIONS

Changes are permitted and any additional charges will be assessed at time of change. If you wish to cancel or amend all or part of your tour you should advise us in writing (by letter, email or fax) as soon as possible. A cancellation or amendment is effective only when received in writing by the company from the group contact who signed the booking form. Any new person added to the booking must provide a signed acknowledgement. PLEASE NOTE: If any cancellation reduces the number of paying group members below the minimum number required for a particular tour price or concession (including free places), the invoice will be adjusted accordingly for all remaining group members.

TOUR COST GUARANTEE

Once your tour has been booked and first deposit paid, Travelbound guarantee that the price of your tour is fixed. This means that your tour price is not subject to any unpredictable extra costs associated with currency fluctuations. **Please note**, as this is a quotation only, we are not holding any of your travel arrangements. To secure your booking you need to provide written confirmation of the tour itinerary, student/staff numbers and overall cost as approved.