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2009 Solar Eclipse and 8 Days

Shanghai, Hangzhou, Wuyuan and Zhou Zhuang

Includes World famous Tidal Bore

Departure date Sunday July 19 2009,

Returning Sunday July 26 2009

\$2160.00

\$ 450 Single Supplement

Prices are based on tariffs and rates of exchange current as at October 10, 2008
and are quoted in Australian Dollars. Prices are subject to change without notice in the event of
fluctuations in currency exchange rates.

Including: International Airfares Los Angeles/ Shanghai and Shanghai/Los Angeles and

- 1. Hotel Accommodation throughout the tour in China.**
- 2. Excellent English-speaking tour guide.**
- 3. Deluxe A / C Motor Coach Services.**
- 4. Admission fees as specified.**
- 5. Meals as specified, B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner, IM=In Flight Meals.**
- 6. Evening entertainment as specified.**

Day 01. July 19 Sunday arrive in Shanghai (IM)

Arrival in Shanghai you will be welcomed by your local tour guide who will check you in at the local hotel.

Day 2. July 20 Monday (B/L/D) Shanghai Today we explore this diverse and cosmopolitan city, the largest in China and the country's economic heart. See the bustling street markets on your tour of old Shanghai and visit the exquisite Yu Yuan Gardens established during the Ming Dynasty Tour which has a reputation as the "Wooded Hill in the City," the garden is very well preserved. Carved dragons wind across atop the walls, which divide the garden into different scenes. We also take in the "Bund", Shanghai Wall Street. Lastly you will visit the Shanghai Museum, which houses the world's greatest collection of Chinese art.





Day 3. July 21 Tuesday Shanghai --Hangzhou --Wuyuan (B/L/D) Early start for travel in our coach to Hangzhou, a city renowned for its natural beauty and historical and cultural heritages. We will first visit Lingyin Temple/ Monastery of the Hidden Souls : Lingyin Temple is one of the ten most famous ancient Buddhist temples in China. It is famous for it has more than 470 stone carvings of Buddhist figures. We will then cruise on the West Lake: Lying on the west edge of Hangzhou city, West Lake is the symbol of Hangzhou as well as one of the most beautiful sights in China. In the afternoon we will drive to Wuyuan. Wuyuan County is home to some of the best-preserved ancient architecture in China. Each of the numerous ancient

buildings has a distinctive shape and structure. They emerge from among the emerald green mountains, clear rivers, green trees and the crisscrossing paths between the fields.

Day 4. July 22 Wednesday (B/L/D)

Wuyuan Today is Eclipse Day – After an early breakfast we will drive to our viewing location on the beach and in case of cloud (doubtful) we will drive further north to find the best viewing location --First contact will occur at 8:23 a.m., with the sun at an elevation of 40 degrees over the horizon. Totality at our eclipse-viewing location will begin at 9:36 a.m., with the sun at an altitude of 57 degrees over the horizon –Fourth contact will be at 11:02 a.m. –We will enjoy a full 5 minutes and 55 seconds of Totality. Depending on the tide times we will then witness the The world's largest Tidal Bore which races up the Qiantang River through Hangzhou reaching up to 12 Metre (40 ft) in height. Tonight we will celebrate with a **Special Dinner**.

Day 5 July 23 Thursday (B.L) After breakfast we will go to Zhou Zhuang. It is one of the most famous water townships in China, noted for its profound cultural background, the well preserved ancient residential houses, the elegant watery views and the strong local colored traditions and customs. It has been called the "Venice of the East". and after an early lunch we will return to Shanghai where the rest of the day is free.



Day 6 July 24 Friday (B) Today is a free day for you to explore Shanghai – Places recommended are Grandmother Dumpling for lunch on Nanjing Road (Half way between the River and the Park on the right going West –downstairs) and Gongdelin Vegetarian restaurant at 445, Nanjing Road West (You will eat vegetables you have never heard of---Cooked to perfection)

Day 7 July 25 Saturday (B) Today is another free day for you to explore Shanghai before we board the coach for the last time for the trip to the airport and your flight back to Sydney.

Day 8 July 26 Sunday (IFM) Arrive Sydney

Excluding:

1. International Airport Taxes.
2. Personal expenses not included in the itinerary, such as Telephone calls, Laundry etc. .
3. Visa Fees and Tipping
4. Travel protection Insurance