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Prices:

Inside Cabin:	\$2999 per person twin share
Oceanview Cabin	\$3399 per person twin share
Balcony Cabin	\$3799 per person twin share

Package Inclusions:

- Return economy airfares, taxes & fuel surcharges from Sydney, Melbourne, Perth, & Brisbane to Shanghai with Qantas, Cathay Pacific, China Southern, Thai Airways or Singapore Airlines
- Extra \$200 from Adelaide, Canberra and Hobart.
- 8 nights hotel accommodation 3-4 star (local rating)
- Meals as indicated on itinerary
- Beijing to Shanghai internal flight or High-speed bullet train from Beijing to Suzhou
- Round trip airport & hotel transfers
- Air conditioned coach transportation.
 - Baggage limit: 1 piece 23kg per person
- Selected sightseeing & entrance fees
- English-speaking tour guide(s)
- 8 nights Japan Cruise on board *Sapphire Princess* round trip from Shanghai
- All meals and entertainment on board the ship

Exclusions:

- China visa (required)
- Tipping: \$90 land tour. \$15 per person per day on cruise
- Single supplement
- Travel insurance (required)
- Meals & sightseeing not specified in the itinerary
- Optional tours or shore excursions
- Personal items, such as drinks, snacks, WiFi, laundry etc
- Any items or services not listed in the inclusions or in the itinerary

Subject to confirmation by the airlines, hotels & local operators.
Booking conditions & cancellation fees apply.

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Tour itinerary:

Day 1: Beijing

Fly to **Beijing**. On arrival, you will be met by your guide and will transfer to the hotel. The rest of the day is yours to explore and relax. Note: Some flights may depart the night before.

Day 2: Beijing (B)

After breakfast, visit **Tiananmen Square** in the centre of Beijing. The square is named after the Tiananmen (Gate of Heavenly Peace) located to its north, which provides entry to the famed Forbidden City. The square contains the Monument to the People's Heroes, Great Hall of the People, National Museum of China, and the Mausoleum of Chairman Mao Zedong. You may also wish to take an optional Forbidden City Tour (at your own expense). You'll discover the former seat of the emperors throughout the Ming and Qing dynasties. It is a true architectural masterpiece, and is home to the fascinating National Palace Museum.

Optional activities;

- **Peking Duck Lunch** (\$50): *Dine on Peking Duck.*
- **Forbidden City Tour** (\$85): *Explore the ancient and imposing heart of China's imperial past.*
- **Authentic Old Beijing Tour, with Temple of Heaven, Hutong Tour, and Dinner** (\$115): *The Temple of Heaven is recognised as a world heritage site by UNESCO. It is an architectural masterpiece, and was built between 1406 and 1460 AD. The temple was used by China's emperors for ceremonies honouring the god of harvests. Then, go on a tour of Beijing's ancient Hutong neighbourhoods, and visit a local family where you will learn about tai chi, Chinese calligraphy, and cricket fighting. Alternatively, climb up Bell Tower to enjoy a bird's eye view of old Beijing. This package also includes a traditional Beijing Noodle dish – zhajiangmian (fried bean sauce noodles) meal at a local restaurant. A speciality of Beijing, zhajiangmian is cooked by mixing noodles with vegetables and fried soybean sauce.*

Note 1: There is only time available for one option (Hutong Life Tour or Bell Tower). Your tour guide will advise which one is available and suitable based on the day's schedule. Bell Tower requires climbing stairs.

Note 2: Based on government policy, the number of rickshaws have been significantly reduced and adjustments to the Hutong Life Tour optional have been made to accommodate this change.



Day 3: Beijing (B, L)

Today's highlight is an excursion to the majestic Great Wall, one of the Seven Wonders of the World! You'll have a chance to climb a portion of this 6,000km marvel, at Juyong Pass. Then tour the iconic Beijing 2008 Olympic Centre; which includes the famous Bird's Nest and Water Cube stadiums, which now host many spectacular events. You'll see these magnificent structures from the outside, providing a perfect photo opportunity. You'll visit one of the largest jade exhibitions in Asia en route, and after lunch, see skilled artisans work at a cloisonné factory.

Optional activity

- **The Golden Mask Dynasty (\$75):** *Be amazed by the colour, music, and action of this large-scale stage production (evening).*



Day 4: Beijing: High Speed Train or Suzhou (B)

Today, tour the exquisite **Summer Palace**, the largest preserved ancient garden in China, and formerly a summer resort for emperors. This is followed by a visit to a Chinese herbal medicine institute, and learn about this ancient medical tradition. Then, take a high speed train to

Suzhou. Alternatively, the group may fly to Shanghai and travel the short distance to Suzhou by bus.

Day 5: Suzhou Wuxi (B, L)

Suzhou has long been known as the ‘Venice of the East’, for its exquisite canals, bridges, pagodas, and beautiful gardens, and is a designated UNESCO World Heritage Site. After breakfast, tour the **Lingering Garden**, a classic private garden with 500 years of history. Next, visit the largest silk factory in the country, and discover how silk is manufactured from mulberry-munching silkworms. You may also take an optional cruise along the **Grand Canal** (at your own expense) and view life along this section of the longest and oldest canal in the world. Late afternoon, we continue to **Wuxi** and visit **Three Kingdoms City**, which is a major CCTV (China Central Television) production studio, and a renowned tourist attraction. The Romance of the Three Kingdoms, a historical TV series, was filmed there.

Optional activity

- **Grand Canal Cruise (\$45):** *Cruise on China’s Grand Canal, at 1,776km long and reaching all the way to Beijing, this massive engineering feat was unparalleled in the ancient world.*

Day 6: Wuxi Hangzhou (B, L)

This morning, **tour beautiful Li Lake** (Lihu), which is the most scenic corner of Wuxi’s huge Lake Tai (Taihu), followed by a visit to a **freshwater pearl exhibition** and store. Continue on to Hangzhou, described by Marco Polo as “the most beautiful and magnificent city in the world”. Upon arrival, You may take an optional **cruise on the serene West Lake** (Xihu), which the most renowned feature of Hangzhou, and is noted for its scenic beauty, which blends naturally with many famous historical and cultural sites. In the evening, you may wish to attend **Enduring Memories of Hangzhou**, and see the story of West Lake come alive before your eyes.

Optional activity

- **West Lake Cruise (\$55):** *An optional cruise on the serene West Lake.*
- **Show: Enduring Memories of Hangzhou (\$95):** *See the story of West Lake come alive before your eyes (season runs Feb-Oct)*



Day 7: Hangzhou Shanghai (B, L)

Experience tea-tasting at the Dragon Well Tea Plantation, which produces some of the the best 'Longjing' Green Tea in China. After lunch we drive to Shanghai. The Bund, on the Huangpu River and lined by historical architecture of European design, is the best place to capture the Western influences of the colonial era. Then, visit the City God Temple Bazaar, which is composed of stores selling traditional Chinese arts and crafts, medicine, and souvenirs. Tonight you can watch a thrilling Chinese acrobatic show **SPIRAL** (at your own expense).

Optional activity

- **SPIRAL Acrobatic Show** (\$85): *A thrilling Chinese acrobatic show, featuring dance, drama, music, and multimedia effects.*

Day 8: Shanghai (B, L)

In the morning, tour **Shanghai Museum**, to see ancient Chinese art, furniture, and jade, followed by a visit to an emerald exhibition centre. In the afternoon, you may enjoy an optional half day tour of the Jin Mao Tower and Xintiandi (\$85/person). You'll visit the Jin Mao Tower Observation Deck on the 88th floor, for a panoramic view of the Huangpu River and the Bund. Xintiandi (New Heaven and Earth) holds the historical and cultural legacy of the city. It was the site of the first congress of the Chinese Communist Party, but is now the most expensive place to live in China. Tonight, you may enjoy an optional Huangpu River night cruise.

Optional activity

- **Half-day City Tour** (\$85): *Tour the Jin Mao Tower and see the city from the 88-floor observation deck, then visit the famed Xintiandi district.*

- **Huangpu River night cruise (\$75):** *Get a glimpse of the dazzling night view of Shanghai, with the colonial-era Bund on one side and the futuristic skyscrapers of Lujiazui financial district on the other.*

Day 9: Shanghai to Japan Cruise (B)

After breakfast, transfer to Shanghai cruise dock to board your overnight connecting flight via an intermediate city to Australia. The trip may be over, but the experiences and memories will certainly last a lifetime.

Itinerary and Ports

DAY	DATE	PORT OF CALL	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
9	Wed 3 Jun 2020	Shanghai, China	Embark	5:00 PM
10	Thu 4 Jun 2020	At Sea		
11	Fri 5 Jun 2020	At Sea		
12	Sat 6 Jun 2020	Yokohama, Japan	7:00 AM	10:00 PM
13	Sun 7 Jun 2020	Shimizu, Japan	7:00 AM	4:00 PM
14	Mon 8 Jun 2020	Osaka, Japan	9:00 AM	10:00 PM
15	Tue 9 Jun 2020	Kochi, Japan	7:00 AM	4:00 PM
16	Wed 10 Jun 2020	At Sea		
17	Thu 11 Jun 2020	Shanghai, China	7:00 AM	Disembark

Day 17: Fly China to Australia

Cruise arrives back in Shanghai and transfer to airport for flights home.

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Hotel Accommodation

Beijing	Ramada Beijing North or similar
Suzhou	Ramada Suzhou or similar
Wuxi	Jinjiang Grand Hotel Wuxi or similar
Hangzhou	Meiziqing Hotel Hangzhou or similar
Shanghai	Crystal Orange Hotel Shanghai or similar

Sapphire Princess Overview

Sapphire Princess departs Shanghai for Fremantle, Adelaide and Melbourne in October 2020. Sapphire will mostly sail out of Melbourne to New Zealand. Additionally, she visits all the mainland capitals, and in March 2021 circles Australia with an interesting itinerary. Meanwhile In late October 2019 Sapphire Princess leaves Southampton for Singapore and offers tours of SE Asia over 7 to 21 nights. From April 2020 Sapphire Princess sails out of Shanghai and Hong Kong to many ports in East Asia. She again runs an Australian/New Zealand summer season from September 2020 through April 2021. Itineraries reach all parts of Australia, NZ, Pacific islands and PNG. Princess Cruises organises on-shore tours that can be booked before sailing or during the cruise. For some voyages pre- and post-cruises tours are available to extend your stay in major ports.

Accommodation

There are six types of cabin and 35 price categories: insides, outsides (some obstructed), balcony cabins, outside mini-suites (with and without balconies) and balcony suites. Cabins are roomy and nicely appointed, with satellite TV access to major channels. Standard cabins are practical and attractive, many have additional upper berths for children, and some have inter-connecting doors. The larger the stateroom, the more additional facilities. All guests receive turndown service, chocolates on pillow at night, bathrobes and amenity kits, and complimentary room service on most items 24 hours a day. There are no single cabins, 28

wheelchair-accessible cabins, and some cabins accommodate families of three and four.

Food and Dining

Traditional dining in the International Dining Room offers you a pre-selection of one of two seating times throughout the cruise. Anytime Dining (sitting when and with whom you choose) is offered in the four other themed dining rooms. All serve five course meals changed daily, with chefs inducted into the prestigious Chaîne des Rôtisseurs gastronomic society. Sabatini's serves Italian cuisine and Sterling Steakhouse serves steak and seafood (for an extra cover charge). Dress code is smart casual, and on cruises longer than three days dress for a formal night for every week of sailing. Breakfast and lunch are provided in an open seating arrangement. (Of course a continental breakfast can be delivered to your stateroom, and there is a stateroom menu.) Passengers booked in cabins with balconies can order several special, romantic meals to be served restaurant-style on the verandah - Ultimate Balcony Dining. Order special dietary requests before sailing.

Entertainment

As for entertainment, there is more than can be squeezed into a week. The Princess Theatre is two decks high, featuring glamorous production shows every second or third evening. The Vista Show Lounge with its three stages presents cabaret, and doubles for lectures, bingo and horse-racing during the day. Explorer's Lounge hosts cabaret acts and dance bands. Movies first-run feature films pool-side at Under the Stars on Sun Deck. There are 12 bars and lounges with live music and dancing. A new feature is the new three-deck-high street-cafe-style Piazza, for sipping coffee and watching the occasional passing performer. Stroll around and shop duty-free, or check your email at the Internet Café.

Please note: The day by day descriptions published are intended as an indicative guide only. Travel by nature is unpredictable. Weather patterns, road conditions, public holidays, travel restrictions and a multitude of other factors may necessitate itinerary changes that ultimately are for the client's benefit. It is essential that clients are flexible and open minded in this regard.

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The Australian GST does not apply to international travel. Any service fees, courier, cancellation and amendment fees are subject to GST. You will be charged GST where applicable.

DEPOSIT

A deposit is required to confirm your booking (varies depending on package booked). Receipt of deposit will be taken as an understanding by Destination International Holidays that the customer has checked their confirmed travel arrangements and has read and agreed to the terms and conditions.

FINAL PAYMENT

Payment in full must be made no less than 120 days before travel, unless required earlier by any supplier.

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AMENDMENT FEES

Any deviation to packages advertised or quotes will incur a fee of \$150 per person.

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In addition, we charge

- \$50 per person for all airline seat reservations and baggage charges plus any airline fees.
- \$100 per person for all Tourist visa processing plus the cost for the visa fee.
- \$75 per person to reissue any travel documents lost in the mail.
- \$100 per person to process insurance claims when travel insurance has not been purchased from this office.

CANCELLATIONS

Cancellation fees will be levied relative to the amount of notice given as follows:

Days' Notice	90 or more	75-90	65-75	65-1
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	Loss of Deposit and 50% loss of fare	75%	85%	100%
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ACCOMMODATION

There will be variations in the size, standard and presentation of rooms and facilities within the one hotel. This is beyond the control of Destination International Holidays.

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TRAVEL INSURANCE

You must be insured for the duration of your trip. You need comprehensive travel insurance to cover cancellation, health requirements, luggage and additional expenses. Insurance policies rarely cover for loss of cash.

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