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Itinerary

GREAT WALL OF CHINA TREK 2014

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ARE YOU READY FOR THE
ADVENTURE OF A LIFETIME?

YOUR EPIC CHARITY TREK ACROSS THE
GREAT WALL OF CHINA IS ABOUT TO BEGIN

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AUG
15

Depart from London airport

You're now on your way!

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AUG
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Arrive in Beijing: Welcome to China!

Hotel: 4-star Rosedale Hotel, Beijing

One of our reps will welcome you at the airport and take you to your hotel. Then simply relax, enjoy a fantastic evening meal, and get ready for the adventure of a lifetime!

DAY
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AUG
17

Tackling the Great Wall from Jinshanling to Simatai

Hotel: 4-star Rosedale Hotel, Beijing

Meals: Hotel breakfast, lunch box, evening meal at local halal restaurant

After breakfast, you'll be collected by bus and driven to Jinshanling.

The Great Wall at Jinshanling is a brilliantly preserved example from the Ming Dynasty (1368-1644). Initially built between 1368 to 1389 then rebuilt in 1567 or 1570 under General Qi Jiguang, it's over 21 feet high and 15 feet wide. Epic indeed!

Next, you'll visit one of the most beautiful sections of the Wall at Simatai. The hike is around 5 miles and you'll encounter 150 watchtowers, battlements, terraces, turrets, and non-stop stunning views.

Don't worry about food – there's a packed lunch. There's also a delicious evening meal later – a chance to unwind, look back and savour an amazing day!

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Master the Great Wall at Huangyaguan

Hotel: 4-star Rosedale Hotel, Beijing

Meals: Hotel breakfast, lunch box, evening meal at local halal restaurant

After breakfast, you'll be collected by bus and taken to the Great Wall at Huangyaguan – the drive is about 2 hours.

First constructed in 557AD and rebuilt with bricks during the Ming Dynasty, the Huangyaguan Great Wall perches on an imposing mountain. It's very steep, so get ready. Revered for its beauty, the rock face and cliffs take on an attractive yellowish hue at dusk – great for photos!

The Wall has an eastern cliff and a western precipice too, as well as ancient fortresses, a water pass, a beacon tower and a sheer precipice.

The hike takes around 6 hours, so you'll definitely work up an appetite. The nutritious packed lunch and delicious evening meal later should help!

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Take on the Great Wall at Huanghuacheng

Hotel: 4-star Rosedale Hotel, Beijing

Meals: Hotel breakfast, lunch box, evening meal at local halal restaurant

Trek: 4km hiking • 4 hours

After a good night's sleep and a hearty breakfast, we'll take the two hour drive from Beijing to the Great Wall at Huanghuacheng.

The Wall at Huanghuacheng tests its many visitors! It's completely unreconstructed and runs over a little reservoir — expect lots of steps and challenges aplenty! If you love your rugged terrain you'll be in your element. Oh and the view as you climb to the top is well worth it, so don't forget your camera! After your adventurous day, you'll be ready to refuel with an amazing evening meal back at base.

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20

The adventure continues: the Great Wall at Juyongguan

Hotel: 4-star Rosedale Hotel, Beijing

Meals: Hotel breakfast, lunch box, evening meal at local halal restaurant

Salat: Jahriyya Changping Mosque

Trek: 4km hiking • 4 hours

Our drive from Beijing to the Great Wall at Jurongguan takes 2 hours.

Juyongguan is the site of an ancient military town, replete with military installations, watchtowers, official residences, temples, a Confucian school and other impressive structures. Along the way, you will see beautiful flowers and lush trees dotted around the mountains. There's so much to take in.

Known as one of the most scenic parts of Beijing, the present Pass was initially built in the Ming Dynasty and underwent much renovation later. It's an important location, connecting the inner land and the area near the northern border of China. In fact, the Juyongguan Pass has been known for its strategic importance for more than 2,000 years.

We'll end this unforgettable day with a delicious evening meal back at base.

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21

Behold Beijing!

Hotel: 4-star Rosedale Hotel, Beijing

Meals: Hotel breakfast, lunch box, evening meal at local halal restaurant

Salat: Niujie Mosque (built in 996)

We begin our exploration of Beijing from Tiananmen Square — the largest city square in the world, bordered by the Great Hall of the People and Chairman Mao's Mausoleum.

Next, we experience the breath-taking architecture in the Forbidden City, which was home to the emperors for over 500 years. During that time, uninvited admission meant instant execution. Thankfully, that law no longer applies! Finally, we visit the Temple of Heaven where the Chinese emperors would pray for good harvests.

And we'll round the day off with a wonderful evening meal.

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The Beijing experience continues

Hotel: 4-star Rosedale Hotel, Beijing

Meals: Hotel breakfast, lunch box, evening meal at local halal restaurant

Salat: Madian Mosque

After breakfast, we'll visit the Summer Palace, the largest imperial garden in China. It was first built during the reign of Qing Emperor Qianlong's in 1751.

The Dowager empress, Cixi, later restored it for her own enjoyment, naming it Yiheyuan, meaning the garden of health and harmony. After lunch, we'll have a photo stop at the 2008 Olympic venues — the Bird Nest and Water Cube.

Last, but not least, unwind and enjoy a delicious evening meal as you reflect on a fantastic day!

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23

A day of shopping!

Hotel: 4-star Rosedale Hotel, Beijing

Meals: Hotel breakfast, lunch box, evening meal at local halal restaurant

Salat: Dongsi Mosque

Today is the day to buy that perfect gift for your loved ones back home. We'll spend the day shopping at Silk Market and Yashow Market.

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24

Departure from Beijing

Hotel: 4-star Rosedale Hotel, Beijing

Meals: Hotel breakfast, lunch box, evening meal at local halal restaurant

Enjoy the freedom to explore this wonderful city at your leisure before heading off to the airport at 22:00. The flight departs at 01:55.

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Arrive back in the UK

We hope you had a great trip! When you return, don't forget to keep up the good work raising much needed funds for the clean water projects.